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State OKs traffic light

Petitions help obtain signal for north entrance

By Chuk Bacon
Of The Commuter Staff

The state Highway Division, in a joint effort with the city of Albany and LBCC facilities, has agreed to install a traffic signal on Pacific Boulevard at the north entrance to Linn-Benton Community College, and to extend Lanier Street as a back door route, according to Facilities Director, Ray Jean.

In recent months, petitions circulated LBCC in support of the signal. On Wednesday, Nov. 18, 1987, Jean delivered the petitions in a presentation to the Albany City Council and to the mayor. From there they were forwarded to the state Department of Transportation, according to Jean.

"I'd say the official reaction to the signatures was pretty good," said Jean, "because we're getting the traffic light."

Officials first reasoned that the traffic load was not sufficient to warrant a signal at Ellingson Road. However in viewing the percentage of accidents at that location, they reconsidered, Jean indicated.

"Compared with other areas in the state our need is prioritized lower," Jean said. "Other areas are considered a higher risk."

Along with the traffic signal, plans are being drawn for an alternative route which would extend Lanier Street from Belmont, across the field east of the north parking lot, to intersect with the existing north entrance, an extension of Ellingson Road.

Jean expressed his disappointment that no plans for a signal at Pacific and Allen Lane, have been approved. "We knew we'd have a hard row to hoe," he said. In spite of this Jean added, "The state has been generous."

Former student uses CPR to save life

By Matt Rasmussen
Of The Commuter Staff

Former LBCC dental student Sylvia Libra had a funny feeling that someone in last Wednesday's CPR recertification class might need to use the skills they were brushing up on, and she was right.

Libra, a 1978 graduate of LBCC's Dental Assistance program, works for Dr. Michael Goger's Dentist office in Albany and was taking the course as part of a CPR training program Goger has set up for his employees. She also works part-time on Thursdays as a clerk at the Lebanon Auction Yard.

Thursday afternoon 76-year-old Tom Shively suffered a heart attack while loading goats he had just purchased at the auction. A yard worker discovered Shively on the ground and called out for help.

"I heard someone yell 'man down' and I thought somebody had tripped in the yard," Libra said, "but when I approached I could see that he was blue or purple and I knew he was going (to die). I turned and yelled for someone to call an ambulance, then began CPR."

After Sylvia had begun cardiopulmonary resuscitation, she was aided by Lebanon veterinarian Connie Schmidt. The two performed CPR for five minutes until paramedics arrived on the scene and relieved them. By the time paramedics did arrive, Shively had begun breathing, had a slight pulse and was beginning to show some sign of color.

"I didn't hear the paramedics arrive," says Libra, "I blocked out everything and concentrated on what I was doing. I'm sure there were plenty of people standing

around, but I didn't notice them. I heard a lady say 'It's working,' then I looked up and the paramedics were right there."

EMT Ron Danielson from the Lebanon Fire Department credits the two with saving the man's life. Schmidt, the veterinarian, says Libra deserves most of the credit, "I just assisted her," he said.

Shively was transferred to a Eugene hospital, but according to the Lebanon Community Hospital he was released and is resting at home.

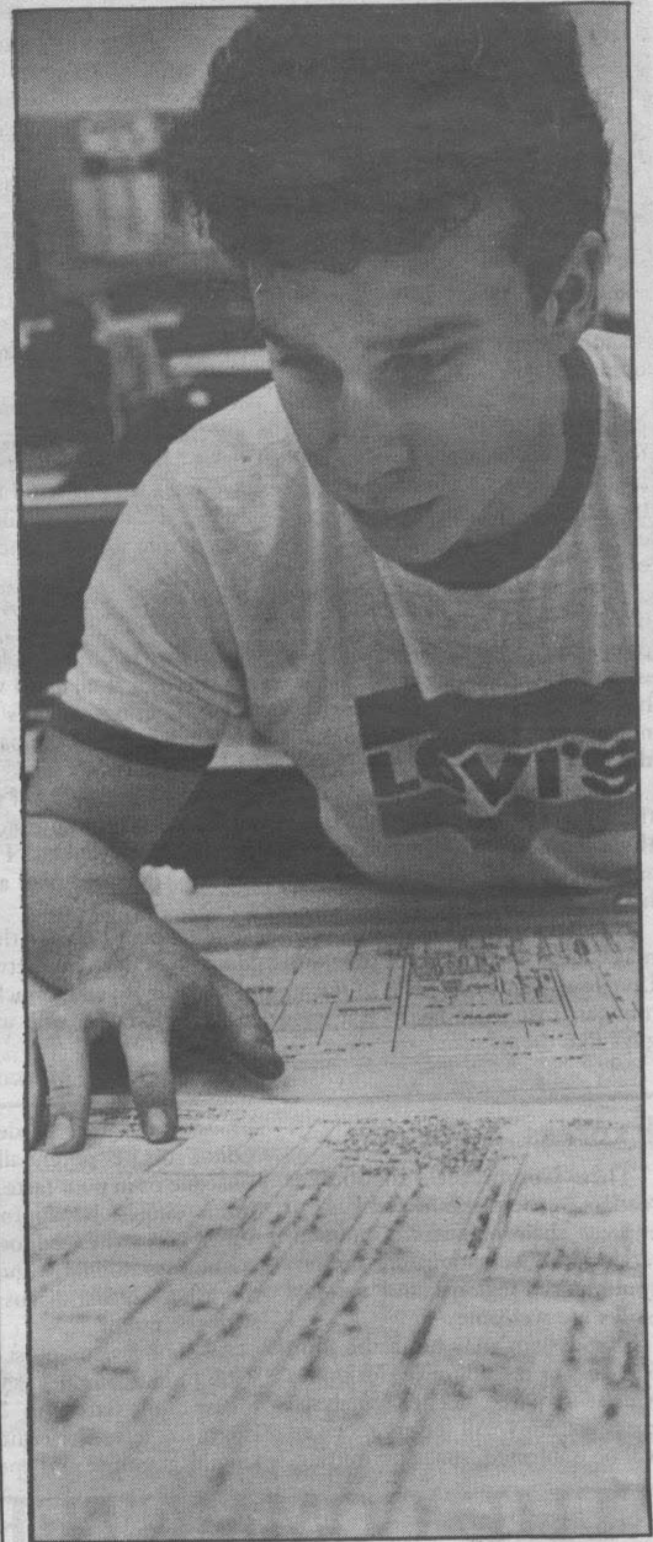
"I have always wondered if anyone I have instructed had ever used the training in an emergency," says Deanne Larsell, who instructed Libra in the CPR refresher course last Wednesday.

LBCC started the recertification program only four months ago, catering to the needs of businesses that require CPR training and certification every year. The classes are set up on a contractual basis with local businesses, but if there is enough interest Larsell is willing to set up a class of individuals. Interested persons should leave their name and number in the Physical Education office.

Both Libra and Goger praised Larsell for her class.

"We've taken recertification classes and full CPR courses several times over the last four years," says Goger "We always get together and rate them afterwards to see if we need to try and find a new class. Deanne's is by far the best class we've taken, she's highly qualified and an exceptional instructor."

Libra said that while administering CPR, "I remembered everything she had said—two breaths, check pulse—almost to the word."



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Technical Challenge

Brent Bodwell, Drafting Tech major, scans some elaborate plans in Advanced Drafting II class.

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Commentary

Nerd finds weights build more character than muscle

All my life I have envied athletes—marveling at their agility and prowess. I have stood in awe and watched them perform feats of superhuman dexterity, secretly wishing that they might fall and hurt themselves real bad.

By this point you have probably determined that I am not an athlete—a fact which became painfully obvious to me when, in my junior high gym class, I noticed that most of the guys had arms which were bigger around than my legs. I never cared much about my physical appearance or my athletic ability back then. You do not need great reserves of either to excel in dodgeball.

Embarrassment did come once a year though. It was called the "Presidential Physical Fitness Test." Some of the more "fit" young bucks would pass the test and receive prestigious certificates signed by the president himself and awarded at pep-assemblies in front of the entire student body. Somehow I never managed to attain that elusive prize. Looking back, I think I can attribute that to the fact that I couldn't run four consecutive steps without collapsing and I couldn't do a pull-up to save all humanity.

During my high school years I decided to do something about my physical short-comings. I enrolled in a weight training class. I now recall that maneuver as the single dumbest thing I have ever done in my entire life. There was a room full of guys—anyone of whom would have no problem bench pressing a semi-truck—and me. I had trouble lifting the bar, even before those enormous oreo-cookies of iron were attached to the end of it.

I finally decided to drop the class for three reasons. First, after three days of what I considered hard work, there was little or no noticeable improvement in my rubber-band body. Secondly, I couldn't help but notice while I was "pumping iron" that it wasn't very fun at all and I would rather be watching M.A.S.H. Lastly, while deadlifting weights one day I neglected to tighten the bolts that secure the weights to the bar. As I lifted the bar it tilted to one side.

What followed was perhaps the most incredible display of nerdiness in the known universe. Weights proceeded to roll off the low side making a thunderous crash as they connected with the concrete floor. Then the low side became the high side and the procedure started all over again. It was like a teeter-toter of stupidity.

Needless to say I have not lifted a weight since. I realize that "HUNK" magazine will never be caught in the dilemma of deciding between Dolph Lungrens or me for "meat of the week," but I figure all the jocks and buff-mongers owe me a favor. If it wasn't for guy's like me, who would notice guys like them?

—Marco Coleman

Express Yourself

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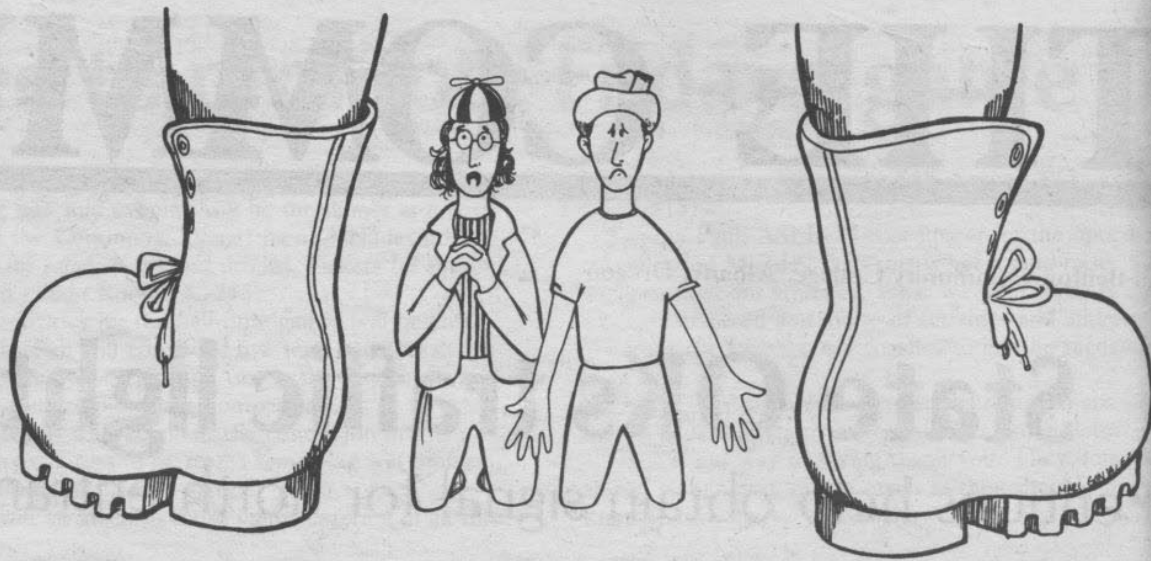
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Razz & Chaz

Chaz snoozed away in a hammock he had constructed out of a giant nylon sock, a souvenir from the North Pole adventure. He was dreaming of a camping trip. *As the sun began to set over a stange forest riddled with beetle kill (dead or dying trees) Razz and Chaz made their way over swampy terrain in search of the perfect camp spot.*

Their pickup truck, drawn by an alien beast of burden, began to sink in the mud. The beast snorted and squealed as the truck started capsizing and Razz and Chaz jumped ship.

"Unhitch the beast!" ordered Razz, and Chaz cut the critter loose.

Soon the mud became a foaming ocean and the diagonal-duo were forced to swim for a tiny tropical island. Sharks appeared nearby, whacking the waves with pool cues. "Swim faster!" Chaz yelled. As he did so, a large quantity of green water entered his mouth. He choked. His friend Razz grabbed him by the hair and held him above the torrent.

Washed upon a beach of glittering sand, Razz and Chaz lay still, their chests moving up and down to the rhythm of the surf. After a time, Razz stood up and ran away, leaving Chaz alone in a weird land of rubber palm trees, flying folded newspaper birds and violent storms, raining molten styrofoam cups.

Razz approached the sleeping Chaz and noticed a note taped to his forehead. Rrrrrrrrrrip! He peeled the message free with one terrible motion, waking Chaz in a most unpleasant way.

In the farthest reaches of the Center Building, across the courtyard, through the parking lot and all the way up Looney Lane, Chaz's mournful yelps could be heard. A throbbing adhesive burn marred his face. He grabbed his scalp in agony. "Yow!"

"Why did you leave me alone on the beach, you traitor?" Chaz fumed.

Razz ignored him. The mysterious note had his attention now. After a moment, Chaz hobbled over to read along. Razz read the note aloud.

"Dear peon writers," the letter began.

"That must be us," Chaz reasoned.

"Shut up," Razz chided and then continued, "You are hereby ordered to report directly to the editor's office where you will be given your next assignment. I couldn't find Razz and I notice Chaz was having a nightmare so I didn't want to disturb him. Get your lazy duffs down here as soon as Chaz wakes up screaming. I wish I could be there to see it but I've got work to do. Some of us work for a living."

"Work? What's that?" said Chaz, scratching the tape wound.

"It's signed The Editor," Razz said, finishing the message.

The door to the newspaper office opened slowly with an eerie squeak. Razz poked his head inside only

to discover a pitch black void.

A thin sliver of light from the hallway shot through the crack in the door and swept across the room like an angry blade. Razz fumbled in vain for a light switch. Slowly the unsuspecting pair made their way to the center of the dark zone.

Suddenly a blinding desk lamp switched on. They were trapped! Chaz bolted for the door only to be halted by a squinting guy. "Hold it right there you little worm!" said the ominous voice of The Editor.

Razz and Chaz dropped to their knees and pleaded for their lives. "Groveling will get you nowhere," The Editor boomed, "I've got the perfect assignment for the likes of you scum!"

"Oh please," Razz pleaded, "don't throw me in that briar patch!"

"I saw 'Song of the South' four times," The Editor said, gnashing his teeth, "I won't fall for that old trick."

"How about this one?" said Chaz, "Your shoe's untied."

"Nice try pinhead but no hot water, I'm going to send you two so far away that only a misguided bolt of miracle lightning could save you! At four o'clock tomorrow morning you will board a plane to Camp Kwiktakillya where you are to cover the "donkey in the swamp" races!"

"No!" Chaz protested, "My dream! I won't go!"

"You have no choice," said The Editor. Chaz was shaking with dread.

"Here, drink this," said Razz, handing his friend a cold styrofoam cup of coffee. "Calm down." Chaz took a sip and handed it back. "Needs a bit of creamer," he said, and Razz himself took a taste to verify.

"Ha! You've fallen into my trap," laughed The Editor, "That beverage was spiked with an experimental formula from the waste water management lab."

"I feel queazy," said Razz. "Me too," said Chaz, "Look Razz, Mr. Editor is getting bigger."

"So are the desks, Chaz. What's happening?"

The Editor laughed again and said, "Soon I will be able to squish you between my toes or put you in a jar and shake you violently! You who have disgraced my beautiful paper will soon feel the sting of my wrath!"

Razz and Chaz were no larger than mice but they still had the instinct to survive. They quickly untied The Editor's shoestrings and wrapped them around his ankles.

"Why don't you pick on somebody your own size?" Chaz yelled in a chipmunk voice.

"Come on Chaz," said Razz in a slightly higher pitch, and together they ran underneath the door, to freedom.



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Dona Egli, Instruction Assistant in the Drafting Civil Engineering Department, takes an elevation reading for the new Parent Education Lab using a level.

New location found for Family Resource Center

By Farris Beatty
Of The Commuter Staff

The new Family Resource Center will find a new home if all goes as planned—or replanned.

Originally, the new center for the Parent Education Program was to be built north of the Business Building on the northeast end of campus. In fact, Gov. Neil Goldschmidt was on campus last September for a ceremonial groundbreaking at the site. Now, however, the center will be built north of the tennis courts on the northwest campus.

The reason for the change, according to Parent Education Director Bobbie Weber, is for better access, more parking space, and room for future expansion. The new location will also provide a continuous play area for the

children and be closer to the Activities Center for children's gymnastics, she said.

The proposed center will be approximately 7,000 square feet, containing four classrooms, with observation rooms for teacher training and parent education. Also planned inside is a library, classrooms for home economics, and a comfortable parent resource area.

The current child care facility on the second floor of the Industrial A Building provides services for approximately 25 families. The new center will provide full and part-time day care for about 80 families.

The age range of the children is currently between 3-5 years-old, but Weber hopes to include 2-½-year-olds soon.

Weber's program is designed to teach parents about child-rearing skills and child development theory and practice. "We do what we do to teach parents, train teachers and provide child care for this community."

Construction is scheduled to begin in the spring of 1988, with completion anticipated by the fall.

The total estimated cost, according to George Kurtz, vice president of business, is \$518,000 with \$181,220 funded by the state.

Kurtz said the college is eligible for 65 percent funding from the state, but that plans are being worked out to finance the remainder through the sale of City of Albany revenue bonds. He anticipates the bonds will provide a rate of return of between 7-8.5 percent, tax free, and predicts they will be available in June.

Advisors stand by to field students' financial aid questions

Advisors from the LBCC Financial Aid Office will be available in the Commons lobby Wednesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. throughout February to assist students in applying for 1988-89 financial aid.

The LBCC financial aid preferred deadline is April 1. In order for students to be considered for the maximum number of aid programs, applications should be complete and in the mail no later than March 1. This allows the College Scholarship Service in California a month to process and return the form to LBCC.

"I think students need to be aware that the preferred deadline is quickly upon us," said LBCC financial aid specialist Mary Hewitt. "It really sneaks up on you. It's important to get yourself in a position to receive any money that is available."

Hewitt says there are some big changes this year. "Basically there are some pitfalls to look out for," she said. "It's important that people check in (with the office) every year to avoid delays."

For students who need general information on how to fill out their financial aid form, two presentations on "How to Apply 1988-89 Financial Aid" will be presented: Thursday, Feb. 11, 10:30-11:30 a.m. in CC-135, and Wednesday, Feb. 17, 2-3 p.m. in the Willamette Room.

Advisors will be on hand to answer questions and review completed forms at the information table in the Commons lobby from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. every Wednesday and Thursday, starting tomorrow.

Mistakes may cost tax payers time and money

Taxpayers who spend a few moments now to complete their tax return accurately could save several days or weeks of waiting for their refunds, according to the Internal Revenue Service.

Oregonians who file early usually make fewer errors than those who file hastily late in the filing season. The IRS cites errors as the primary reason for the delay of tax refunds. While the IRS has the technology to catch mathematical errors, the correction process takes time.

Filing early also gives taxpayers a jump on planning for 1988. The Tax Reform Act of 1986 made major changes to the tax law affecting millions and required all

employees to adjust their tax withholding by a new Form W-4 in 1987. After filing a 1987 tax return and determining the size of their refund, taxpayers will know whether they need to adjust their withholding again. If the 1987 return shows that a taxpayer owes money, they will probably need to file a new Form W-4 to increase the tax withheld from their pay in 1988.

For further information and locations of free assistance, call 1-800-424-1040 between 7 a.m. and 6:45 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. on Friday, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday.

LB closes for Monday holiday

In observance of President's day LBCC's main campus and community centers will be closed on Monday Feb. 15. Due to the holiday work study checks will be issued on Tuesday a day late.

The holiday which celebrates both Washington and Lincoln's birthday gives LBCC students and staff its only three day weekend of the term. This is the first time LBCC has closed the campus in observance of this holiday.

Flowers in print

Ross publishes guide to Cascade wildflowers

By Matt Rasmussen
Of The Commuter Staff

Have you ever stumbled across an exotic wildflower while hiking or camping and wondered what its name was, whether it was edible, poisonous or would cause some hideous rash?

Well, Linn-Benton's newest celebrity author and sometimes biology instructor, Bob Ross, may have put together just the guide you need.

Ross recently finished "Wildflowers of the Western Cascades," a 200-page paperback that describes and illustrates 271 species of approximately 140 genera of wildflowers.

For more than 20 years Ross has been fascinated by the wildflowers of the Western Cascades and by those found on one mountain in particular—Iron Mountain off Highway 20 east of Sweet Home.

"The thing that makes Iron Mountain so significant to this book, and this book is not just Iron Mountain, is that there are 315 species of wildflowers on that mountain. It has the greatest number of wildflowers on any mountain that I know of, especially in the Cascades," said Bob.

As a graduate student in Biology at the University of Oregon, he first visited the mountain in 1964 to collect specimens for botanical research, and immediately saw the mountain as more than a field trip.

"It captured my imagination by its formidable vertical walls on the south side, and the great variety of plant life on the western slope," he said.

While finishing up his graduate studies in 1968, Ross heard of a new community college starting in Albany and eventually wound up as one of LBCC's first full-time employees later that year.

Now living in Albany, Ross was closer to the mountain that intrigued him so. "In the summer, as a family we'd stop in for a few days and enjoy the scenery."

Since it was not practical to take an entire class to the mountain, he began photographing plant life and wildflowers on Iron Mountain to use as teaching aids in his classes.

"I had the idea to at least photograph all the flowers on the mountain, but I'm not sure that I had a book in mind 20 years ago," he says. "At one point I must have wondered what I'd do with all those slides."

Around four years ago Bob talked LBCC botanist Henrietta Chambers into working on the book with him. He printed several of his slides, drew up a layout and together they wrote an introduction and prospectus for the book.

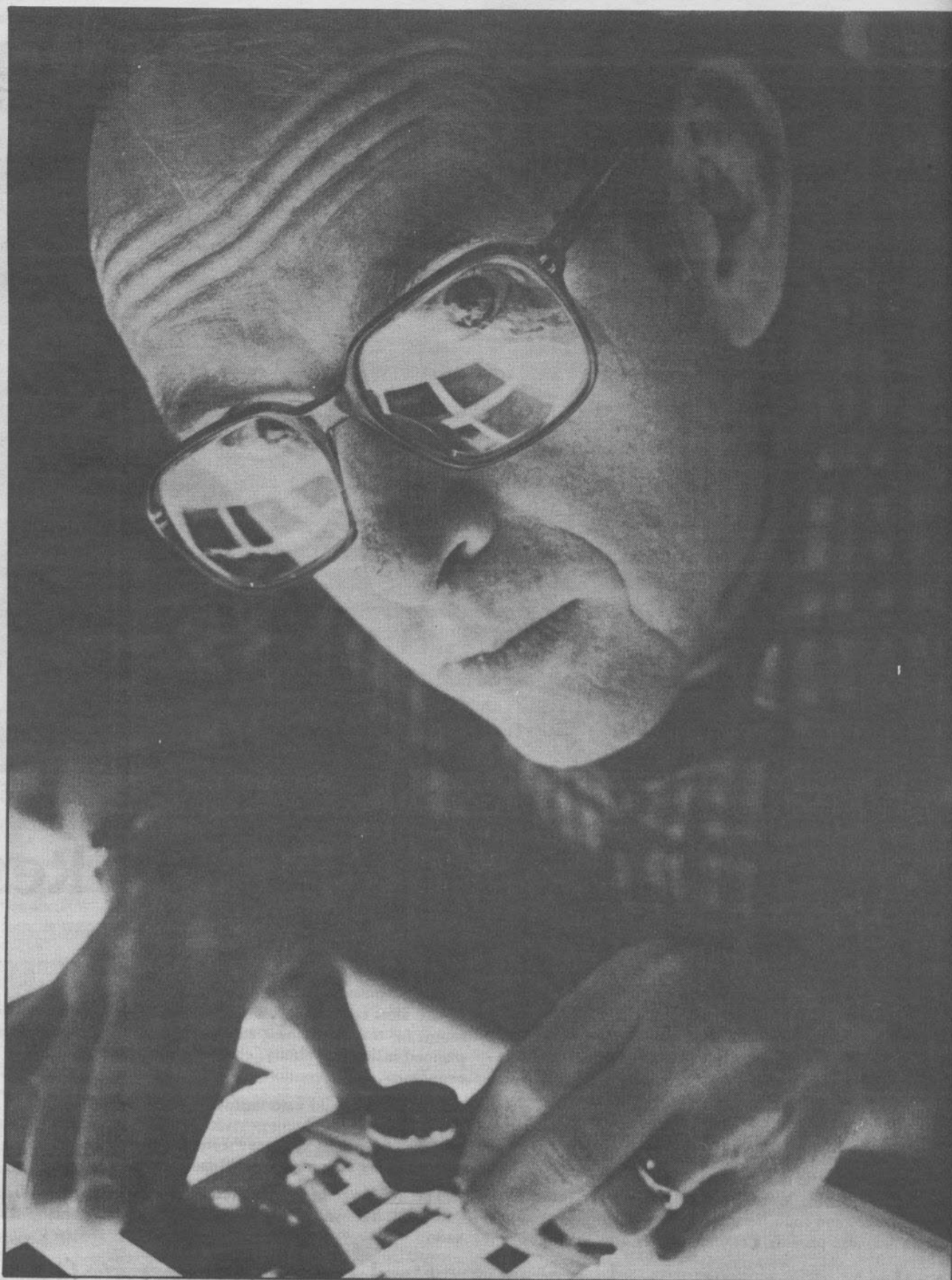
"We showed the book to several publishers until we found one who was at least willing to listen to us," says Ross. That publisher was Richard Abel and Timberline Press. "I think he was taken by our enthusiasm and our knowledge of who our readers were."

Ross says the book was designed for the average person with some science background, such as nature enthusiasts or hikers. He also stipulates that the book is useful to professionals and students as well. "As educators, of course, our first goal is to educate students."

For the scientifically uninclined, the book contains a "visual" glossary that explains all the scientific jargon pertinent to "flower watching." Bob also states that the book is not written as a textbook, but as a guide to wildflowers.

After the publisher was interested, Ross began the bargaining process. Since it was the publisher who had to put up the money to finance production, the two had to come to terms on content.

When the bargaining was done, Ross was left with about 184 color plates of certain genera and 91 line drawings of flowers within those genera that had different characteristics. Ross' sister Shirley Stevenson provided the line drawings.



Biology instructor and nature photographer Bob Ross eyeballs some color transparencies on a light table. The Commuter/DAVID GRUBBS

"I'm very much indebted to her," Ross says. "She took time away from what she enjoys doing to help me with my project."

Ross says Chambers deserves much of the credit for the text, adding that she has always been an over-achiever when she puts her mind to it.

"She is an excellent botanist and a thorough teacher. When students leave her class and go on to other programs they are extremely competitive," he said.

Bob said he encountered several problems in the course of doing the book.

"First of all I had to decide for sure if I was actually going to do the book. Once I was sure, I had to go re-shoot many of the flowers. In the beginning I had photographed the wildflowers however they struck me—sometimes I felt poetic, or artistic, or technical—I learned early on that none of the slides I had were suitable for a book."

Bob admits one of the bigger problems with the book was facing it from a financial standpoint.

"You start out with this romantic notion of what you're going to do and it sounds good and it's a hobby—but you have to have a sound view that this type of thing is going to cost you," he said.

Bob will receive five percent of the \$19.95 retail price,

amounting to a little less than \$5,000 in royalties for the first printing, providing they all sell. He figures that he's spent at least \$20,000 on expenses—thus he has subsidized the book to the tune of \$15,000.

"That's the nature of a hobby," he says.

Still he's not disappointed. "The satisfaction is there," he says, "and the quality (of the book) is excellent."

Bob credits his family for putting up with his "project" for the past few years—his wife Joan; two daughters, Patty and Jennifer; and a son, Joe.

"There were times when the family wanted to do some activity, and I had some deadline to meet or I had to go to the mountain. But they endured it."

Bob has more time now to pursue his many other hobbies. He enjoys photography, cooking, hiking, gardening, reading the Bible and "teaching the biology of Oregon to Oregonians."

As a member of the LBCC Speakers Committee, he addresses various groups in the community several times a month. He lectures not just about biology, wildflowers, or even Iron Mountain, but on many subjects ranging from religion to philosophy to the Birds of Malheur County.

At last report, Ross' book was on a slow boat from China headed for Portland. After clearing customs it will be in local bookstores, including the LBCC Bookstore.

New Macintosh Lab free to all students

By Chuk Bacon
Of The Commuter Staff

The new Macintosh Lab in the Forum building is open to any student at LBCC and Anna Kircher, Instructional Computer USE Supervisor, would like to let everyone know about it.

There are six Macintosh computers, one matrix printer and one laser printer, according to Kircher. The labs also contain programs for word processing, spreadsheets, databases, graphics, programming and other computer needs.

"You'll notice the initials of my title spell I.C.U.S.," said Kircher jokingly. "That's sort of appropriate for someone who works a lot with computers."

There is no charge for using the computer labs for students enrolled at LBCC on even a part-time basis. "If you are just taking aerobics you are still welcome to use the computers," Kircher said.

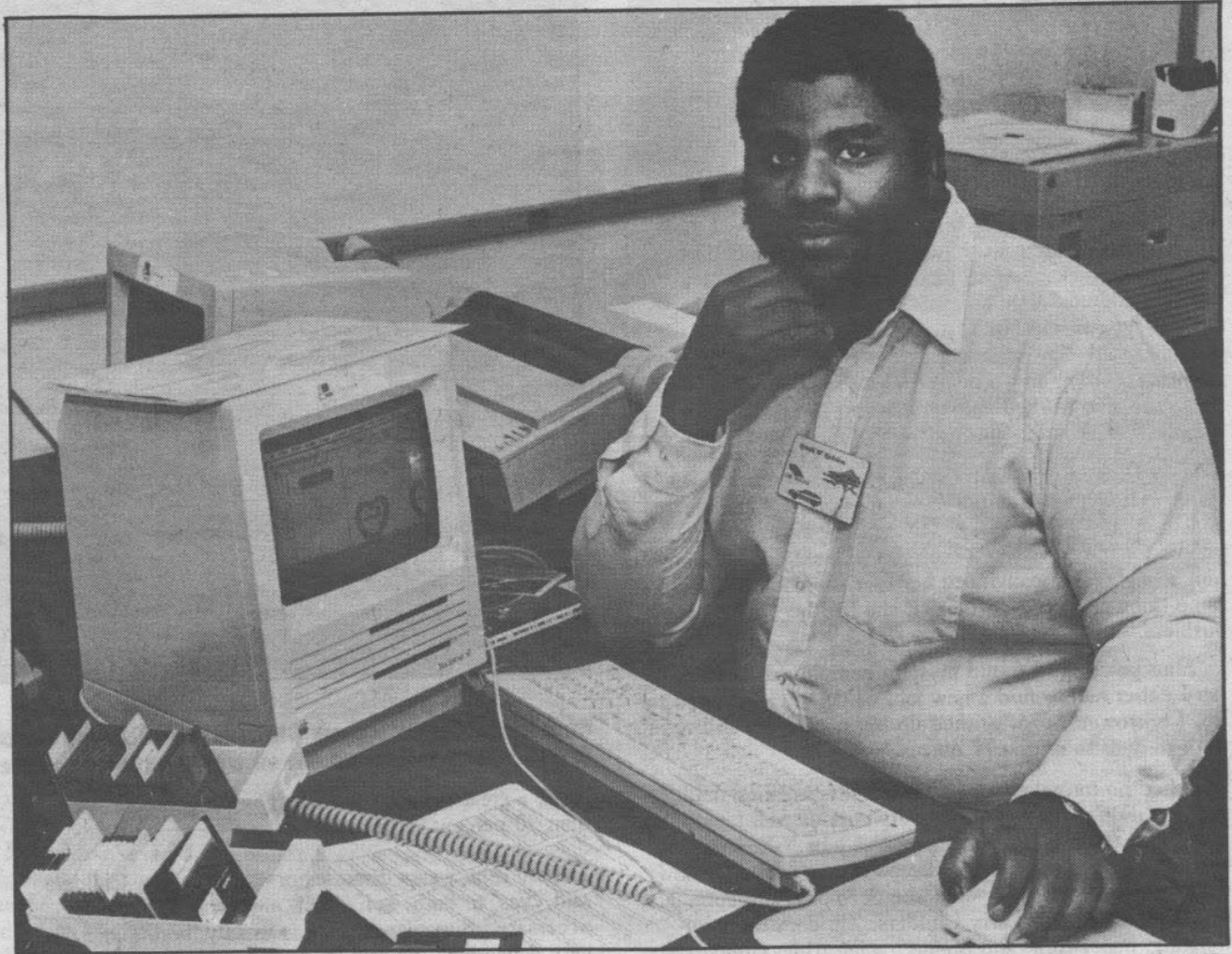
The lab requires only that you sign in and out. Bring your social security number and the term-line number of the class you are enrolled in, and you're set. If you have any questions, a lab assistant is always available during the "open to students" hours.

Those hours are Monday 9 a.m.-10:30 a.m.; Tuesday 5:30 p.m.-7 p.m.; Wednesday 9 a.m.-10:30 a.m.; and Thursday 5:30 p.m.-7 p.m.

According to Kircher the lab was given lottery funds to purchase the Macintoshes. Priority for their use was given to small businesses at first, but now that the program is well underway, the lab can now begin offering the services to students on a larger scale.

"Small businesses still use the computers but at different times," Kircher said, "so there won't be competition."

There is a charge for using the laser printer—40 cents per page. This, according to Kircher, is an average charge.



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Ron Richardson will be happy to assist students in the Macintosh lab.

Speakers, actress to celebrate women's history

By Paula Knutson
Of The Commuter Staff

An ad hoc committee has established a tentative schedule for the annual National Women's History Week celebration here at LBCC.

"Reclaiming the past . . . Rewriting the Future" will be the theme for this year's celebration, which will run from Feb. 29 to March 4. Guest speakers will be featured from 12 to 1 p.m. throughout the week.

National Women's History Week has been celebrated across the United States for the past 10 years and at LBCC for the past six years.

Jane White, faculty member and unofficial organizer of the program committee, said that funding for the week's activities will come from the Staff Development fund.

Funds will cover publicity for activities, refreshments for Monday's social, and honorariums for guest speakers.

White commented that she would like to see a lot of involvement from students, faculty and the community. She added that the women's history week supporters hope to see a substantial turnout of men as well as women.

The week will kickoff with actress Jane VanBoskirk presenting two Oregon pioneer women in a program entitled "Abigail and Others; The Northwest Women." The presentation will be held in Forum 104. VanBoskirk is sponsored by the Oregon Committee for the Humanities.

Supporters feel this presentation would be of special interest to area high schools and are planning to extend them a special invitation.

Latter that day, 3-5:30 p.m., there will be a get-together for coffee and conversation in the College Center 127. The get-together will be open to everyone.

Tuesday's presentation will comprise seven local senior women sharing moments from their life stories, and will be held in Takena Hall 217.

"Through Music and the Literary Arts, Women Celebrate Their Lives" will be Wednesday's theme. Speakers for this presentation are still being lined up.

Thursday afternoon features a presentation by Margaret Gratton, assistant to the president of Mt. Hood Community College, on the history of the women's movement.

To close the week Debbie Murdock, associate director of the Oregon Community College Association, will discuss women's political action in Oregon.

The Wednesday, Thursday and Friday presentations will be held in College Center board Rooms A and B.

In addition to daily presentations showcase exhibits will be on display around the college. The LBCC Library Showcase will display "Women and the Constitution." The Takena Courtyard Showcase located on the second floor of Takena Hall, will hold "Our International Sisters." Outside the president's office, the President's Showcase will display "Women's Pottery and Sculpture."

Rotary Club admits LBCC woman

'I do not in any way feel I am a token member'

By Shirley Price
Of The Commuter Staff

Mary Spilde, director of Community Education, was one of two female members inducted into the Albany Rotary Club last month, the first since the Supreme Court ruling last year requiring desegregation of service clubs.

"I do not in any way feel I'm a token member," Spilde said. "From the first, I have been treated in all ways as an equal member. There has been no condescension, just matter of fact acceptance and cheerful cooperation."

Rotary International's latest project, "POLIOPLUS International," has the goal of immunizing every Third

World child against polio, and the Albany chapter hopes to raise \$50,000 for the project.

"Rotary is an organized way to be of service to the community, to give something back," said Spilde.

And has it helped professionally? Spilde, who is also director of the Training and Economic Development Center, said "I see the people I work with regularly, but the informal setting of the luncheon meeting is a facilitator. And sometimes new contracts are made."

She reemphasized that for her, however, community service is the most attractive feature of her membership.

Spilde has been on staff at LBCC for seven and a half years.



Mary Spilde, one of Rotary's first women members.

Albany detective enjoys tracking missing persons

By Elwin Price
Of The Commuter Staff

Roberta Zib, an Albany resident for 15 years, got interested in detective work long before she founded Pathfinders Investigations four years ago in 1984.

As an adopted child she was curious about who her real parents were. "The first people I located were my parents," said Zib. She started working for collection agencies tracking down people who skipped out on their bills. She also worked part-time for attorneys, skip-tracing people who skipped out on court dates.

In 1981 she began skip-tracing for attorney Rober McCann. "He kept prodding me to quit being a bill collector and start my own business," Zib said. "I was tracking people for bill collectors in the day and skip tracing for him at night." He convinced her that she could do the same thing and get paid more if she had her own business.

"Four years ago I found myself unemployed," said Zib, "so I either had to find a new job, or do what I wanted to do. I borrowed \$275, printed up business cards and went door-to-door to attorneys' offices."

She had no formal education in the investigating field but that didn't stop her. "I was very curious, self taught, and had learned a lot on my previous jobs," she said.

Running her own business keeps her so busy that now she just concentrates on what she does best and contracts the other aspects to Larry Childers. Zib does the coordinating, paperwork, and phone tracing while Childers does the legwork, such as surveillance and photographing suspects. "Each of us does our part well and together we



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Real life detectives Larry Childers and Roberta Zib of Pathfinders Investigations say their business is not as glamorous as television shows would have us believe.

make a great team," Zib said. "Our success rate is better than 90 percent."

Asked if he wears disguises or carries a gun, Childers said, "yes" to both, but added "only when I feel it is necessary." Surveillance work is usually "boring and not very dangerous," he said.

Zib thinks that being a woman in this field doesn't make any difference. "None whatsoever," she replied. "If

anything it is the other way around. A possible reason for this is that most people I deal with are men and men tend to be less hostile to women."

What was her most unusual case?

"I had to track down a missing horse once. The owner leased the horse to someone for a year. The guy moved and took the horse with him so I had to track him down to get the horse back."

Rutgers group to attempt leftist reorganization

Some sympathetic observers doubt wisdom of national effort

By College Press Service

Leftist students are going to try to start a new national student group one more time at Rutgers University in early February, but people who have tried in the past wonder if it's a good idea.

The New Brunswick, N.J., meeting—which grew out of a January, 1987 gathering of some 50 students from 18 campuses at Hampshire College—aims to "catalyze the student movement," explained Ken Greenstein of the National Student Action Center in Washington D.C., one of the groups organizing the event.

Amid such speculation, students from the universities of Massachusetts, North Carolina, Kentucky, California and New Hampshire as well as from Columbia, Wellesley and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology will listen to speeches from actor Ed Asner, writer Studs Terkel and environmentalist Barry Commoner, among others.

Their aim, Greenstein said, is to create a group to help coordinate nationwide student attention to issues like American foreign policy in Central America, Central Intelligence Agency, campus racism, sexism and homophobia.

"This is the first attempt to build a national student organization since Students for a Democratic Society," enthused veteran activist Abbie Hoffman, who also will speak at the Feb. 5-7 meeting.

SDS, of course, was the student group founded in 1962, which quickly grew prominence by stoking the then-incipient anti-Viet Nam war movement and finally, in the late sixties, spinning off into sometimes-violent splinter groups.

And like SDS, which began with a gathering of

students in Port Huron, Michigan, who wrote their founding principles down in a "Port Huron Statement," the people gathering at Rutgers hope to issue a "New Brunswick Statement."

Yet even some sympathetic observers wonder if it's a good idea.

"I don't think the best way to build now is through a national student organization," said Joe Iosbaker, a University of Illinois-Chicago student who has long been active in the Progressive Student Network, founded in the early 80s with much the same hopes of becoming the next SDS.

"The student movement," Iosbaker, who said he supported the Rutgers effort, added, "is not what it once was. There is no single issue drawing students into activism as there was in the sixties."

There are political groups already focused on many of the issues the Rutgers group wants to claim, noted Fred Azcarate, an officer of the U.S. Student Association (USSA) who was at the 1987 Hampshire College meeting.

"There's USSA, the Democratic Socialists of America student section, the Progressive Student Network, CISPEP (Committee in Solidarity with the People of El Salvador) chapters," Azcarate said. "I can't think of anything that isn't covered. I see no gap for (the Rutgers group) to fill."

And "once people belong to an organization, it's hard to get them to shift" added SDS co-founder Tom Hayden, now a California state legislator.

Hayden himself isn't sure the time is right for a "new SDS."

SDS, he said, "was a response to an era of apathy and

conservatism on campus and in America."

"In 1960 or '62," he explained, "there was no competition on campus, no student organizations to speak of. It was plausible for an organization to speak for a generation of students."

But "now, 25 years later, it's more difficult to make the claim that students are an invisible force needing to be unified in one organization."

Even organizer Greenstein is "not sure we need a new organization. We need more networking, more students from different regions working together."

Indeed, introducing "single issue focus" groups to each other is the meeting's main purpose, said Eduardo Mendietta of the Rutgers Host Planning Committee, which planned it.

Greenstein wants the groups to "make connections between issues. The biggest challenge facing the student movement is finding a common ground (among those issues)."

"If the Rutgers effort can unite students on those issues," he said, "they can pull a diversity of organizations together."

Iosbaker noted such efforts often flounder because of the mercurial nature of the student movement, in which an issue like apartheid may be able to draw thousands of protesters one season and then few the next.

This, moreover, may be a thin season, he observed. "There's no buzz-buzz on campuses in the Midwest."

But, noted Columbia University Government Prof. Mark Kesselman, "America is a land of joiners. This is a period of uncertainty because of the stock market, the twilight of the Reagan administration, the questioning of policies."

"There may be space here for a new initiative."

Spotlight

Wimps peeve the Movie-Goer!

By Chuk Bacon
Of The Commuter Staff

In this age of television junkies and sofa spuds, it's reassuring to see a few movie goers out there. It's too easy these days to rent a flick and view it in the privacy of one's own home.

You can make your own popcorn, pour an ice-cold beverage and put your feet up without fear of some pesky jerk whacking your shin with a flashlight. You can have it your way, but something is missing.

I'm talking about the adventure. I don't know about you, but when I go to the cinema I wear special boots to protect my feet from the scum that coats the floor. I sit on my jacket to make myself taller and I bring a newspaper just in case the natives get restless or even ugly. I enjoy the challenge. I ask myself, "Will I get out of here alive?"

What I like best about going to the movies is the "audience reaction factor," an aspect of cinema entertainment often overlooked. What better way to gauge the normality of your own tastes than to compare them with those of a hundred or so new friends?

If the picture is a flop at least I can watch the rest of the fools who paid to see it. You might ask yourself, "Hey, what if my tastes are abnormal?" Let me assure you, if you have normal tastes to begin with, you might not fit in.

Movie goers come in two general types. First, there is the participator. This type gets into the movie, often spitting on the screen when the bad guy appears. A participator will cheer, clap, even add to the dialogue, making the experience of seeing the film truly unique. You could watch the same movie six times in a week and hear six different versions. Flexibility in a script, that's what I like.

The other type of movie goer has no official name. They are the product of the video generation, spawned in living rooms throughout the United States, at the mercy of their remote controls. When they do manage to hoist their duffs off the couch and go to a movie theater, they expect to be able to push "pause" when they need to visit the john.

This type is often heard telling the participators to keep quiet, a request that is usually ignored. If the complaints persist, a greasy usher will, more often than not, kick the wrong type out of the theater.

It is the participator who can be seen most in the audience. The other type goes to the movies maybe once a year, if it's not too cold outside and the VCR is on the blink. Who spends more dollars? The participator.

What is the purpose of going to the movies if you can't yell at the screen? The urge is in all of us. How many times have you wished that you were the one who barked out, "Don't open that door, lady. There's a maniac with a meat cleaver in there! Don't be stupid."

Everybody knew she'd soon have a splitting headache but it's nice to break the tension. A participator acts as a guide for motion picture questers without really giving up the plot.

The other type would rather fast forward through that part, knowing the lady really is that stupid, and the special effects are quite realistic. What wimps! Why do they even bother going to the show? Do they lack human companionship so much? Why don't they get a dog or adopt a doll? If they come to the theater looking to make friends, then why do they insist on ruining a true patron's fun?

Once, just once, I'd like to see the greasy guy with the power complex and the flashlight step back and let the people decide, or even better, put all the whiners in the front row so the participators can blast them with spit-wads and unpopped kernels!

If they want to be left alone, that's fine, but if they can't take a friendly round of commentary or a wolf-whistle now and then, maybe they should stay home.

Participators heckle the movie at times but that sure beats jeering one another. Don't you think? Or don't you think? See you at the movies!

Chekov stories performed in Loft

The droll short stories of Russian author Chekov (1860-1904) come to life in the winter Loft Theater production at LBCC this weekend.

Adapted for stage by playwright Neil Simon, "The Good Doctor" proves that comedy is ageless and universal, according to director Jane Donovan, LBCC speech and theater instructor. The play is a series of vignettes. The sketches range from a scene where a shrewish old woman upbraids a bank manager for his gout and lack of money, to the classic tale of a man who offers to drown himself for three rubles. Period Russian-Style costumes will add to the ethnic flavor of the play.

Cast members include Leslie Hogan of Albany and John Barclay, Elizabeth Herbig, Ken Richter, Sara Sheldrick and David Snider, all of Corvallis.

Performance dates are Friday and Saturday evenings at 8:15 on Feb. 12, 13, 19 and 20 and Sunday afternoon at 2:15 on Feb. 14 in LBCC's Loft Theater, Room 205 on the second floor of Takena Hall.

Tickets are \$2 general admission and are available at LBCC's Albany Center on the first floor of Takena Hall, or at the door before each performance. Seating is limited to 50 per performance.



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Jane Donovan says, "The Good Doctor" has a lot of different kinds of emotions.

Valentine carnations dispatched soon

By Mitch Martin
Of The Commuter Staff

Every year, around Valentine's Day, student council members dress up in tuxedos and formal dresses to deliver flowers around campus. "Last year it was a lot of fun," said Eric Wagerin, chairman of flower sale. "We delivered over 1,000 carnations last year and hope to do the same this year."

Orders for the flowers can be placed in CC213. The information that is needed is the valentine's name, the room number and the class time. "We will be delivering the flowers on Feb. 12 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. to

anyone on campus," Wagerin said.

The carnations come in three colors: red, pink and white. The cost is \$1 each or \$5 for 6.

"We buy the flowers wholesale," Wagerin said. "This is an activity for Valentines Day, and in no way does ASLBCC profit from it."

"Right now we have sold 98 carnations," said Terry Gulley, secretary for the student council. "Wednesday and Thursday we should be swamped with orders."

The last day to order flowers is Thursday at noon. Anyone interested in volunteering to help wrap and decorate the flowers should contact Gulley at ext. 150.

Dinner Theatre to serve 'Barefoot in the Park'

A dinner theater will be held Feb. 24 by the LBCC Culinary Arts Department and ASLBCC.

The dinner theater is planned for 6:30 p.m. in the College Center Commons and will begin with a menu prepared and headed by Chef Scott Anselm, instructor of culinary arts.

The evening will begin with hors d'oeuvres and "mocktails" (non-alcoholic drinks), followed by a full course dinner. A buttered lettuce salad with celery seed

dressing will be followed by a chicken veronique entree with basmati rice pilaf. A dobo tort (a cream-filled cake) will be served as a dessert.

The play, "Barefoot in the Park," will be performed by the Alpha Omega Players from the Repertory Theater of America. The acting troupe will stop at LBCC as part of a nation-wide, year-long tour.

Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased at the Student Programs Office, CC 213.

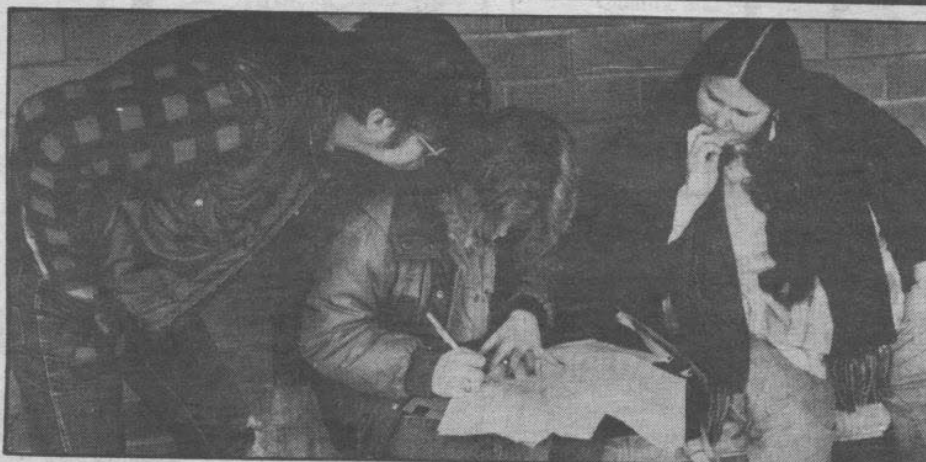
Mountaineering Ranger to show scenic slides

A free slide show about present-day climbing on Mt. McKinley and other Alaskan peaks will be presented at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11.

The "Four Seasons of Denali" scenic slide show is set to music and is presented by Mountaineering Ranger Roger Robinson. Robinson, who taught outdoor classes for LBCC from 1974 to 1979, has worked seven years

for the Denali National Park in Alaska. He also is a professional photographer, and his work has appeared in "Alaskan Magazine" and other periodicals. He and his wife Pam live year around near the community of Talkeetna.

"Four Seasons of Denali" will be shown in Room 104 of the Forum Building.



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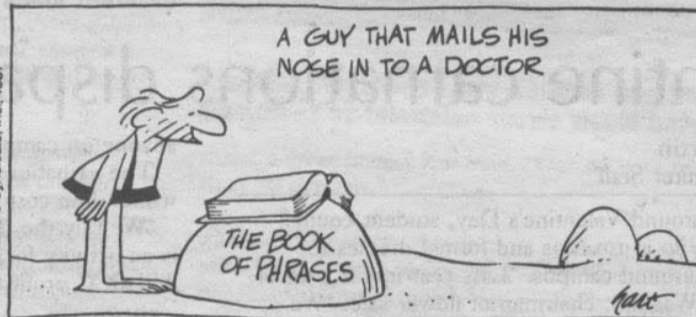
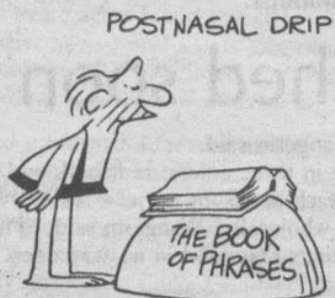
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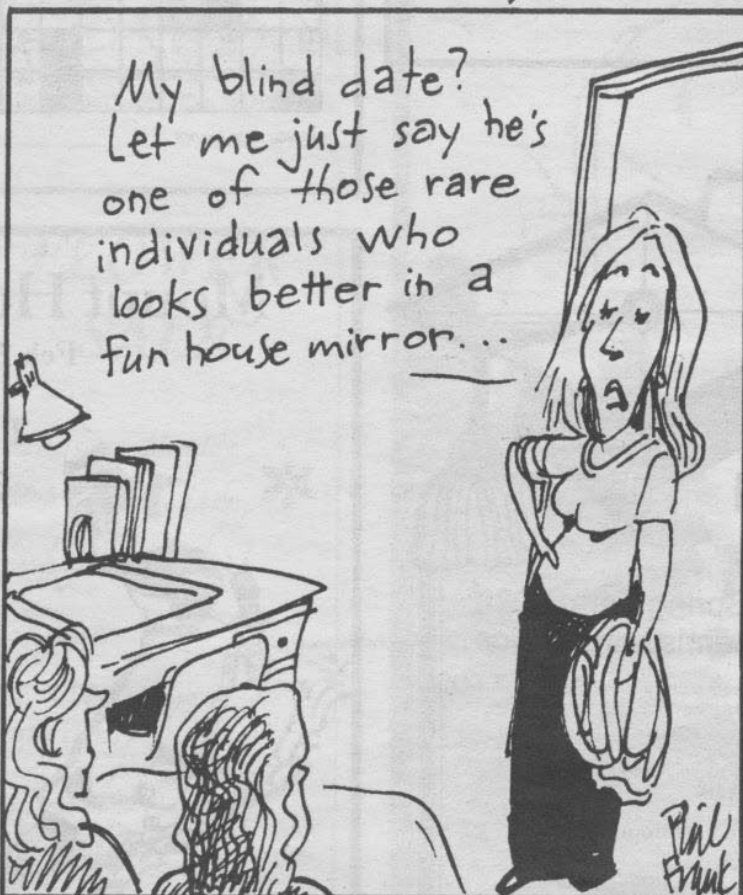
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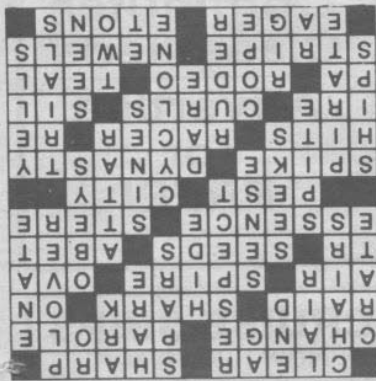
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The Legacy," a traveling exhibit celebrating the 50th anniversary of the O & C Act. The exhibit is open to the public until Feb. 28.

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Valentine Party

The Library will be having its annual Valentine's open house on Friday, from 2-4 p.m. Everyone is invited. There will be cookies and punch for all.

Great Decisions

"The Global Environment" is the sixth in the free "Great Decisions" discussion series sponsored by LBCC's Albany Center.

The group will meet Feb. 16 from 7-9 p.m. in HO-209. "The Global Environment" is a study of the world environment eight years after the dire predictions contained in the "Global 2000" report. Discussion topics include "limits of growth," resource shortages, abuse of the environment and the question of international cooperation and multilateral regulation.

Blair Pomery is facilitator for the "Great Decisions" discussion program. Other topics and dates include: Feb. 23, "South Korea"; and March 1, "Western Europe."

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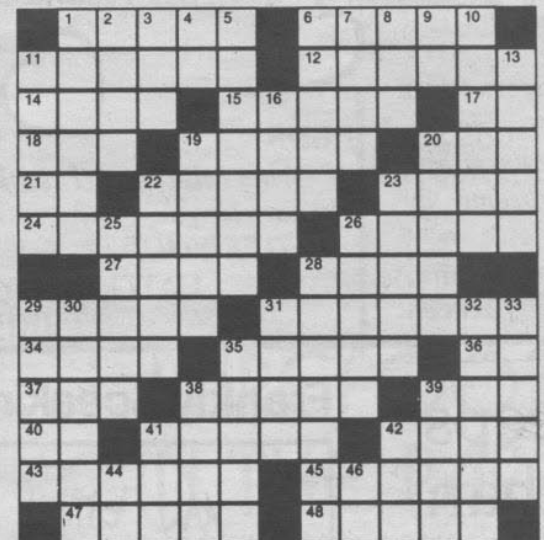
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- 26 Cubic meter
- 27 Nuisance
- 28 Municipality
- 29 Ear of corn
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- 34 Strikes
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- 39 Yellow ocher
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from The National Endowment for the Arts and the Guggenheim Foundation.

Gallagher's reading, sponsored by the OSU English Department, is part of Oregon State University's Visiting Writers Series.

Used Toys Sought

The LBCC Child Care Center in IA 227 is collecting games, toys and children's books which can be sold at the Used Toy Sale during the Parent Ed Family Fun Raiser spring term.

Monies raised go to the Parent Education Scholarship Fund for tuition assistance to parents enrolling in parent education classes in Linn and Benton counties. Articles may be brought to IA 227 between 8 and 5 p.m. The child lab will clean and repair items.

Faculty/Student Fine Arts

A collection of art works by LBCC Fine Art Department instructors and students will be on display through Feb. 19 in the Humanities Gallery.

The LBCC Humanities Gallery is located on the first floor of the Arts, Humanities and Social Science Building. It's open weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Etcetera Column

The Commuter invites staff and students to submit announcements of upcoming events and activities to its Etcetera column, which appears weekly on Page 7.

Submissions should be no more than 100 words in length to permit

publication of as many notices as possible in the space available.

Final deadline for submissions to the Etcetera column is noon on the Monday prior to publication.

Submit written notices to: Etcetera, c/o the Editor, The Commuter, CC-210.

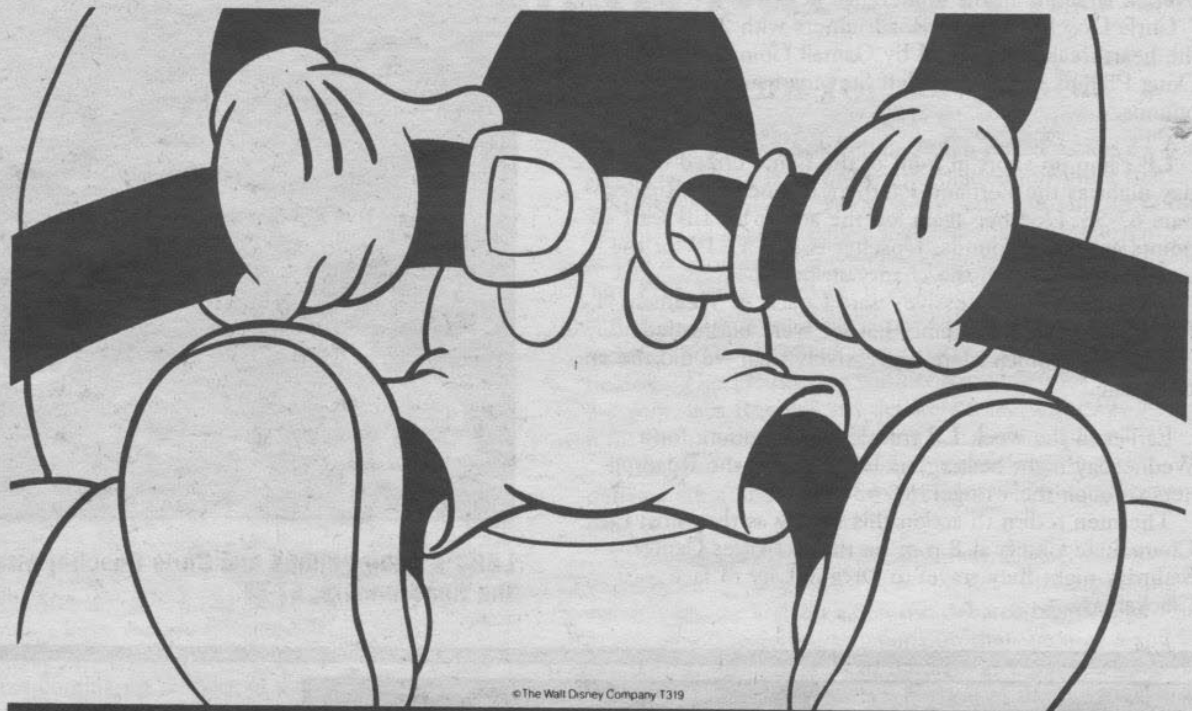
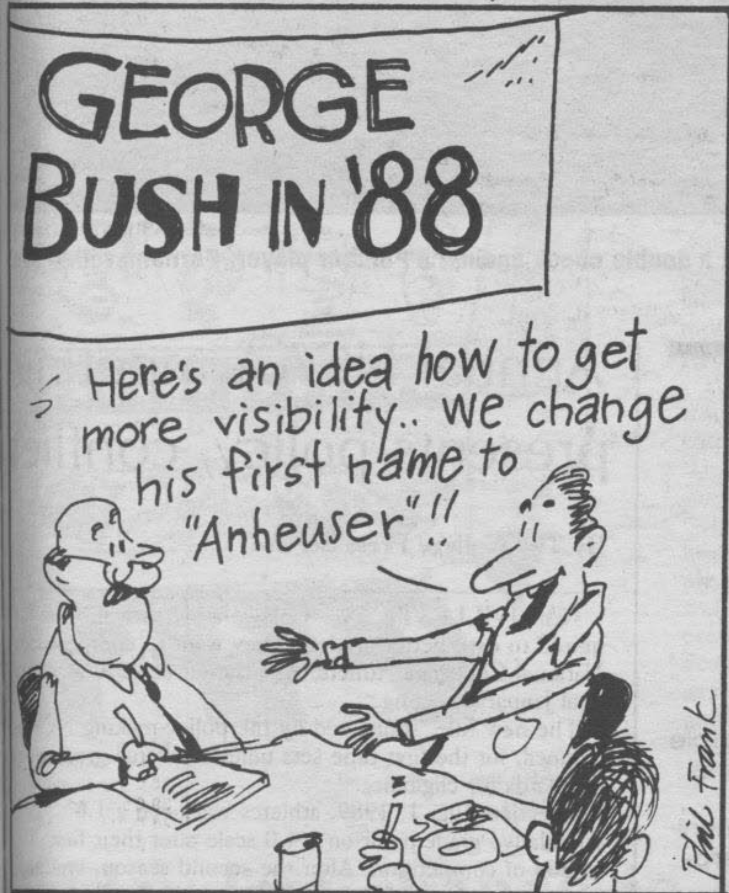
Poet to Read

On Tuesday evening, Feb. 16, Tess Gallagher, noted poet and short story writer, will read from her work in the Engineering Hall of the LaSells Stewart Center on the OSU campus. The reading will begin at 7:30 p.m. It is open to the public free of charge.

Tess Gallagher was born in Port Angeles, Wash., where she now lives, dividing her time between the Northwest and Syracuse University in New York, where she teaches in the graduate writing program each fall. She has taught at the University of Arizona and at The University of Texas at El Paso. Her work has been honored with fellowships

Frankly Speaking

by Phil Frank



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Mt. Hood towers over Roadrunners by one hoop

By Matt Rasmussen
Of The Commuter Staff

In order to make the cut for playoff action, the men's basketball team will have to win all three of its final games and two of those are on the road.

Mt. Hood hit a three-pointer with two seconds left on the clock Friday night to nip the visiting Roadrunners in Gresham, 69-68.

The loss drops Linn-Benton to 2-9 in league and 8-15 overall, all alone in the conference cellar.

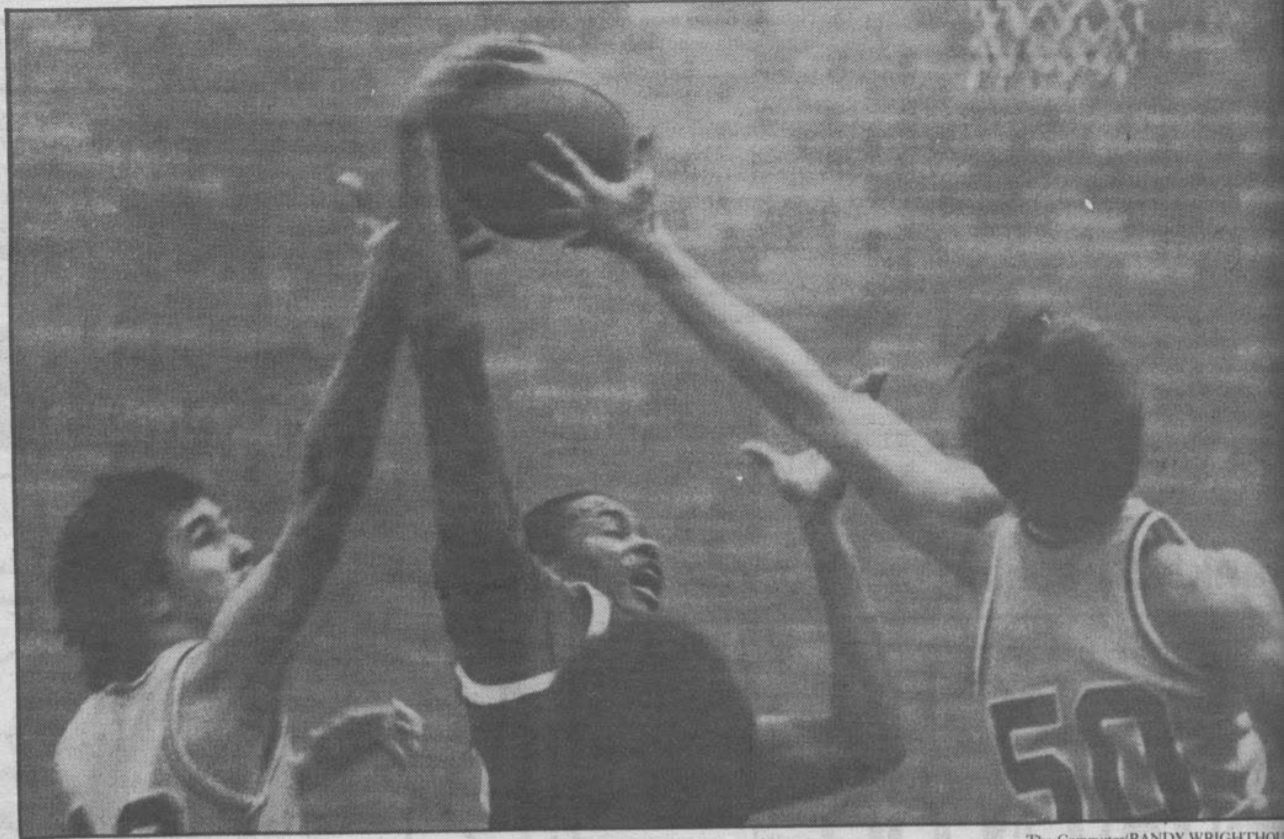
Chris Doscher led the Roadrunners with 22 points in the heartbreaker, followed by Gamail Goins with 16, Doug Phillips had 15 and Jeff Stevens hauled in 11 rebounds.

LB came up short in front of the home crowd on Friday night as the Portland Panthers downed the Roadrunners 67-58. Doscher again led the attack for LB with 15 points and six rebounds. Doscher is also 17-19 for the last two games from the charity stripe.

"PCC was real aggressive," said Coach Al Wellman. "I felt at the end of the game that we were out hustled. They played much more aggressively than we did the entire game."

Earlier in the week LB traveled to Roseburg for a Wednesday night beating, as Umpqua ran the Roadrunners through the wringer, 96-62.

The men return to action this Friday as they host the Chemeketa Chiefs at 8 p.m. in the Activities Center. Saturday night they travel to Oregon City to face Clackamas.



LBCC's Doug Phillips and Chris Doscher attempt a double check against a Panther player. Portland rolled over the Roadrunners, 67-58.

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Cream Face

Bill Brown prepares for another dive during the pie eating contest at halftime of last Friday's game against Portland Community College. Brown emerged the top glutton. This and other halftime events, such as the egg-toss and free-throw contest, were designed to gain support for athletics.

Women lose traction against Mt. Hood

By Kaline Miller
Of The Commuter Staff

Linn Benton, now 5-4 in league after dropping a 50-46 game to Mt. Hood Saturday, now faces must-win games in the next two weeks in order to make the playoffs.

The Roadrunners trailed at the half by seven but due to the Saint's last eight free throws in the fourth quarter, Hood kept the lead by four.

"We haven't been playing well at all lately. I don't know what's going on. They seem to be in a real slump," said Coach Debbie Prince.

Tracy Turner led LB with 12 points followed by Cheryl Kundert with 11. Kundert also pulled down 10 rebounds.

Last Wednesday night's game against Umpqua seemed doomed from the beginning. Umpqua used its 8-point lead at the half and doubled the margin in the second half, downing LB 66-82.

"We need improvement in every aspect of the game right now and there's plenty of room for it," said Prince. "We need to start playing hard and working. Right now no one is playing to their potential at this moment. They don't deserve anything if they're not willing to work. They know they have been playing bad."

Andrea Powell gunned 7-14 from the field and was 2-2 from the line to lead with 16 points. Turner followed Powell with 15, including 3-6 from the three-point range. Kris Keister led LB with 10 rebounds.

"They have to learn to go after what is set in front of them, especially in the next two weeks. The opportunity is there. They just have to take it," said Prince.

LB has its last home match Friday night against Chemeketa.

"Friday night I want a huge crowd," Prince said. "It's our last home game and it's very very important that we have a lot of people at the game. Student support would be greatly appreciated."

Annual NCAA meeting presents policy, conflict

By The College Press Service

NASHVILLE, TENN.—College athletes will be required to earn better grades if they want to compete, the National Collegiate Athletic Association decided at its annual January meeting.

The new rule, sponsored by the policy-making NCAA Council, for the first time sets uniform overall grade-point standards for eligibility.

Effective Aug. 1, 1989, athletes will need a 1.6 cumulative grade-point on a 4.0 scale after their first season of competition. After the second season, student athletes must have 1.8 and a 2.0 after their third and subsequent seasons.

The NCAA's Division III, composed of colleges that do not offer athletic scholarships, voted to bar members from even considering athletic ability when putting together financial aid packages for students.

Proponents of the new rule successfully argued that some Division III schools give athletes unfair preference when awarding aid. Opponents say athletic ability should be considered in the same light as musical or dramatic talents when packaging financial aid awards.

Other sports reform proposals were less successful at the meeting.

Many members argued that big-time institutions that take home huge bonanzas from bowl games and basketball tournaments should be required to share the wealth with their less-fortunate brethren.

The proposal met with ridicule by, among others, Georgetown basketball coach John Thompson. "Am I only capitalist in the room?" Thompson asked. "You can sit here and talk about revenue-sharing all you want. But all the money Georgetown makes should go to Georgetown."

While those who wanted to share the collegiate sports powerhouses' wealth thought it unfair that the rich get richer, opponents said revenue is already fairly distributed among schools. Some conferences share television and tournament revenues; receipts from the NCAA Division I basketball tournament pay for transportation costs to other NCAA events and for a new catastrophic-injury insurance plan.