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Photos by Paul Turner

Cynthia Wooten, Democratic legislator from Eugene, addresses a rally of college students protesting cuts in state financial aid at the Capitol. Wooten was one of several speakers at the Thursday event.

Students take grant protest to Salem

by Paul Turner
of The Commuter

Students from LBCC and many other colleges and universities around the state rallied in Salem on Feb. 23 to make senators and representatives aware that they feel an unfair portion of the Oregon need grant is going to private schools.

Randy Brown, moderator of LBCC's student council, led a group of students from the college through a day of preparation for meeting with politicians.

The day began at 9:00 a.m. when Brown and his group of about six students arrived at Salem's Chemeketa Community College to meet with other community college students. From there they went to the Mission Mill for a workshop and training session on lobbying and how to deal with legislators.

1:15 p.m. found Brown and his crew on the capitol steps with about 200 other students listening to student and government speakers. The crowd responded energetically to the speakers. From there the students were fractioned into smaller groups to visit their senators and representatives.

Most representatives and senators were "in a committee meeting," said their aids. However, after being told this at her office, Carolyn Oakley appeared from her doorway. She would not answer directly Brown's questions about her position on the need grant, but she did lead the group to the lobby for a photo with her in the foreground.

"We didn't get Carolyn Oakley to answer our questions, but we got a picture," Brown said.

Other politicians Brown attempted to visit were Mae Yih, Cliff Trow, Lynn Lundquist, Barbara Ross and Liz VanLeeuwen, none of whom were available to speak with Brown and his group. However, Brown has since received letters of support from Ross and Yih.

The dispersion of need grant money will be reconsidered by the Legislature in April. Until then, Brown said, "We want to start going up either weekly or biweekly with students to visit senators and reps."

The object is to keep the need grant issue in the politicians' minds.

"We want to take as many students as possible up

"We didn't get Carolyn Oakley to answer our questions, but we got a picture."

—Randy Brown

there with us. So we'll be setting up different times through out the term so as many students as possible can go," Brown said.

If you are interested in information about the need grant or about traveling to Salem to join the lobbying effort, contact the Student Programs Office in CC 213.



Randy Brown (left), moderator of LBCC's student council, talks strategy with Elaine Sanders, Mary Schra and Tammi S. Paul Bryant at the state Capitol last week.

Aspiring grads must apply soon

by Alan Hawkins
of The Commuter

Students who will be completing their program this spring should apply for graduation now. If course requirements have been overlooked, there will still be time to pick up credits during spring term. Applications for graduation are available in the admissions office in Takena Hall.

According to Diane Watson, admissions director, students are urged to not wait until the last minute.

The graduation ceremony will take place on June 8. The deadline to apply is April 7 if students are enrolled in classes to meet all of their degree requirements and wish to have their name appear in the graduation program. Students who miss the deadline are still encouraged to participate in the graduation program and will receive their diploma/certificates at the end of summer session. Students who are within one term of graduation can participate in the graduation program. However, their names will not appear in the graduation program.

When a student applies for graduation, a credit evaluation is automatically initiated. The evaluation will be forwarded with a copy of the transcripts and his or her spring schedule of classes to the appropriate department at the end of the third week of spring term. The admissions office will confirm the general education requirements, grade point average and total credits.

It will be the division's and department's respon-

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Spring term registration starts March 6, appointment cards can be picked up now

If you have not noticed by the weather or the budding flowers, let the fact that it's nearly time to register for next term's classes be your harbinger-of-spring.

Preprinted registration forms have been available since Monday and the registrar's office will continue to provide them until March 13. Expediency in attaining your preregistration forms is unnecessary due to the fact that the computers have already designated dates and times for your registration.

Early registration for fully admitted students continuing from winter term begins March 6 and registration for new, fully-admitted students and students returning from an absence begins March 13.

Open registration begins March 15 as well as telephone registration that will continue until March 29.

Students have to be back from their spring break by March 27 for the first day of classes.

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CAMPUS NEWS

Drivers slowing down on Hwy 34

by Karen Cox
of The Commuter

Stepped-up speed limit enforcement in the last year has led to lower speeds and no fatalities on Highway 34.

This highway is the route taken by LBCC students commuting from Corvallis. Last year at this time an increase in accidents on Highway 34 led to efforts to make the highway safer.

After several meetings, the Oregon Department of Transportation began altering the 10-mile stretch between Corvallis and Interstate 5, declaring that portion of Highway 34 a "traffic safety corridor."

Since then, road workers have installed intersection warning signs and larger speed limit signs. The State Police also began saturation patrols, where concentrated numbers of police cars patrol a certain area.

Signs reading "Traffic safety corridor next 10 miles," "Lights on for safety," and "This is not a freeway," were also constructed and placed near the I-5 off ramp last year.

New this year is the addition of aircraft to the saturation patrols, in which small planes go along with patrol cars and read motorist's speeds.

The changes have resulted in less speeding on the highway in this last year, said Sgt. Brad Smith of the Oregon State Patrol. According to random spot-checking along the highway, in November 1993 the average speed was 62 mph and in October 1994 the average was 59 mph.

Also down are emergency responses by the Tangent Fire District, which recorded the lowest number of accidents since 1987.

Along with the reduction in speed has come less patrolling, Smith said, although the OSP plans to keep up saturation patrolling at least until the Oakville Road project is complete.

The intersection where Oakville meets Highway 34 was the site of a fatal accident that killed 16-year-old William Bowns of Shedd, leading to public demands for safety improvements. Contracts for the project should be let in April. The southern leg of Oakville Road will be moved so it meets Highway 34 at a location 1,400 feet to the west. To cross the highway, motorists will have to turn onto the highway, cross into a center lane, then proceed by turning left.

Class learns from those living with HIV

by Craig Hatch
of The Commuter

With an eyepatch over his eye, Brian Bishop attempted to drive home the horrors of living with AIDS.

"I haven't had a blessed life," said Bishop.

Bishop, who contracted the virus from his one and only sexual encounter with another man, lost the use of his left eye due to a virus brought on by AIDS.

"I'm fighting this disease," said Bishop, who performed in ACT's "The Sound of Music."

Along with Arlina Disernia and Kelly Burns, an LBCC student, Bishop tried to stress to the AIDS and Sexually Transmitted Diseases class the importance of protecting yourself from the deadly virus.

Disernia then described the difficulties of living with her husband who died of AIDS. Disernia was not married to her husband, John, until after he had contracted AIDS. She had known him since they were kids and had been friends for years.

"We were soul-mates," Disernia said.

They lost contact with each other for 12 years, but were reunited when Disernia found John's parents in the phone book.

John, who had been a homosexual and already had AIDS, told Disernia his situation and then they met.

"God tapped him on the shoulder and he called me two days later," said Disernia. They married soon afterward and lived with the growth of the disease, even attempting to have a baby, despite the risks.

"It's a closeted disease," said Disernia. "A lot of people say 'it's not going to happen to me.'"

Disernia's husband died quietly at home. "Hospice is a really great group," she added. "They really helped us through it."

Burns related the story of her brother who contracted AIDS while working in California. Burns' brother, Douglas Heineman, was a successful clothes designer living in San Francisco. He



Photo by Carol Rich

Kelly Burns shows students a picture of her brother, Douglas Heineman, who died of AIDS at age 31.

was living a wild life and eventually was diagnosed HIV positive.

"He seemed so okay with having HIV," Burns said.

Heineman went into intense re-

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—Arlina Disernia

search of the disease, compiling what he had found into a book. He found many natural strengtheners for the body, as well as information not known to most people. Heineman was 31 when he died of a heart attack.

"I believe he had an easier time with the disease" because of what he learned, added Burns.

The AIDS victims suffered not only the hardships of their disease, but also battles with insurance and social security, which would not cover AIDS.

Brian received social security because he was in the hospital and they presumed he would die.

"I fooled them," he laughed. "I'm not dead. Don't bury me yet."

HIV victims also have to deal with job loss and isolation.

"It's a lonely disease," Disernia said.

"It's an individual disease," said Heineman in his book. "Question every doctor, anyone you medically come in contact with. Question everything."

"Take an active role in your own care," Bishop added. "Write your questions down before you go."

"Have a family member or friend go with you to ask questions that you may not think of," concluded Disernia.

Burns is thinking about publishing her brother's work, but still isn't sure if that was what he wanted.

Each member agreed that their lives were given two purposes: Do not judge one another. Love one another.

The AIDS and STDs class will be offered again next term.

Credit check helps students stay on course

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ability to check program requirements. When division approval is given, it is assumed that the student has met all the department requirements.

A final check will be made to make sure that each student has completed the courses they were enrolled in for spring term.

Students will be notified if there are any discrepancies at the end of spring term.

Graduation is a festive time for students to celebrate their accomplishments, said Watson. Each year the ceremony features bagpipers dressed to the hilt in kilts and a student speaker.

"For the last two years, student government has provided music at the reception," said Watson, but it will be up to this year's council to decide what kind of entertainment, if any, will be provided.

"The graduation committee will be meeting on March 10 to determine the graduation program and events. After this time there may be specific information concerning the LB commencement ceremony," she said.

All students who will graduate in June are invited to participate in the ceremonies. Last year about 260 graduates out of approximately 600 participated in the ceremony.

LB bonds get A+ rating; \$6.2 million sells fast

LBCC was giving a bond rating of A+, the highest of any community college in Oregon other than Portland Community College, which is located in a large metropolitan area. That high rating probably contributed to the rapid sale of the first \$6.2 million of the \$11.6 million total bond issue approved by voters last November. The bonds were all sold within three hours, enabling the college to move forward with capital planning projects.

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LOCAL & REGIONAL NEWS

Ross writes book on shooting nature pictures

by Alan Hawkins
of The Commuter

LBCC biology instructor Bob Ross is writing a book on how to photograph plants and wildflowers that is unlike anything now available in bookstores.

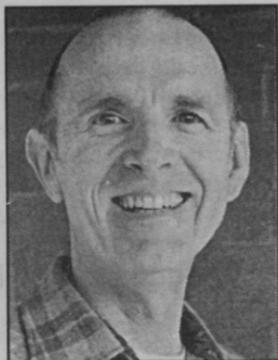
Most books on photographing plants and wildflowers show the final product with text explaining how to do the necessary steps to duplicate the example shown.

"The trouble is—in almost every case—there are steps or important details missing on how to arrive at the same results," Ross said. "My book will show pictures of the camera and equipment set-up ready to take a shot and an explanation of what is illustrated."

He said that other authors who have attempted to write a how-to book fall short because they don't cover the subject in a way to include a wide audience.

"I have asked many would-be nature photographers what kind of information they were looking for," explained Ross.

"If I do my job right, my book will provide information for the professional as well as the hobbyist who has a passing interest. It may be a forest ranger who needs to give a slide



Bob Ross

presentation to train employees or an avid backer who wants a visual record of places he or she has been."

Ross said his book has to reach a wide enough audience to be profitable.

"My first book cost \$20,000 to produce and with royalties of 50 cents per book, you can figure how many units it would take to break even," he said.

For his first book, "Wildflowers of the Western Cascades," Ross collaborated with botanist and former LBCC instructor Henrietta L. Chambers. Drawings were done by his sister, Shirley A. Stephenson Hiltz and editing by his daughter Jenifer Forsyth, who is working on her doctorate in English and literature.

Ross has already sold 8,000 copies and the book is available at Rainbow's End in Corvallis and OSU bookstore for \$20. The publisher is Timber Press of Portland.

With a reputation from coast-to-coast, Ross has provided many other authors with photos to illustrate their books.

"If a guy calls from New York and wants a picture of a hornwort, I have one that is in focus that provides the detail the author is trying to illustrate," says Ross. "I have a stock of over 10,000 nature photos and usually find one that fits the need."

Ross was the first full-time biology instructor hired at LBCC's inception in 1968. He got his first camera—a Kodak Hawkeye—at 6 years of age. He remembers his first pictures were of his family dog delivering her pups.

"I wish I had those pictures now," Ross lamented, "but you don't think of things like that until it's too late."

Habitat for Humanity brings shelter to families

by Bill Chiaffino
of The Commuter

A new housing program has moved into the Willamette Valley and has had quite a response.

Habitat for Humanity, a not-for-profit, non-government-funded organization, was designed to help low income families build and own their own homes. Started in 1976 by Millard Fuller, a former millionaire from Georgia, the program has spread both nationally and internationally, reaching from Sweet Home, Oregon to the Philippines.

Some 30,000 Habitat homes have been built since the program's existence. One of those homes is in Lebanon and plans are underway for two in Sweet Home.

These 'simple but standard' homes are given to selected families that meet Habitat's three main criteria: the family's need for shelter, their ability to pay for a Habitat house, and their willingness to partner with the Habitat program. After many steps and interviews, plans for the building begin. This is perhaps the longest part of the process, since building may take as long as two years to be completed.

Habitat board member Rogene Stock said that patience is one of the most important keys to the program. "Many families are anxious to move into their homes,"

said Stock. "But it's not a quick fix."

The houses are built with donated supplies by volunteer workers. The family must spend a minimum of 500 work hours on the project. This includes attending various workshops, constructing their own homes, and aiding in the building of other Habitat homes. Donations come from many churches, businesses and people. A few celebrities have become involved in the program, such as Paul Newman and former President Jimmy Carter.

The average cost of these homes is from \$32-38,000 including the land. When completed, the family is required to make a 1 percent down payment and pay back the mortgage over a fixed period of time, usually 20 years. The payments are then used to build more homes.

"We want to break the cycle of poverty housing," said Stock. "These houses can build up families and whole neighborhoods."

"We've had a real positive reaction. People are excited and we've had lots of help," said Al Jensen, a pastor at the Fir Lawn Lutheran Church in Sweet Home.

Anyone is encouraged to take part in the Habitat program, whether you have building skills or not, and donations are accepted. For more information, contact Sweet Home Habitat, P.O. Box 425, Sweet Home, OR 97386 or call (503) 367-2119.

HP apprenticeship program granted two more years

by Carol Baughman
of The Commuter

With help from private and state funding, Hewlett-Packard and LBCC's new apprenticeship program was recently granted two more years.

The program caught the attention of the state, which then gave a \$126,000 Regional Strategies grant to the college. In addition, \$10,500 was given by the LBCC Foundation.

The apprenticeship program was put together to help move current HP employees from entry-level positions into technician jobs and to train future employees to meet the growing demands of the job.

The program trains process operators, who are responsible for the direct line support of HP's automated machinery, for jobs as technicians responsible for the maintenance and upgrading of equipment.

In addition to HP employees, the program also trains other students for similar jobs in the industry. Besides

the 17 HP employees enrolled in the courses there are 42 other students taking courses toward their degrees in electronics engineering technology.

Recruiting for the high tech jobs at HP usually took place in the Midwest and the East Coast states because of a shortage of skilled workers.

The apprenticeship program will help to cut down on the costs of recruitment because there will be qualified technicians locally.

There are currently 17 technicians going through a 21-month program, which includes 16 hours of on-the-job training for which they are paid full time and 24 hours of classes a week at LBCC.

A major aim of the program is to help train more women and minorities for HP's technical staff. HP feels that both are under-represented on their staff.

Of the 17 technicians now in the program, nine of them are women.

One of the original minds behind the

program was Kent Hansen, an electronics teacher at LBCC. He and others sat down eight months ago and discussed what a program of this nature would mean to all parties involved.

When the program was given the green light, they were given only six months to put it together.

HP gave LBCC \$125,000 to start the program. With that, new equipment was bought to upgrade the labs, new staff members were hired and the current staff were trained to teach the new curriculum.

Brad Henderson, HP's technical education specialist, is the program administrator. Henderson has been working one-on-one with the college since the program started.

"It's nice to have someone at the other end of the phone who knows what's going on," Hansen said. "Before, we talked to someone different every time who may or may not have known what's happening. Now Brad's there—he really knows what's happening."

classifieds

HELP WANTED

The Oregon State Police is accepting applications for Recruit Trooper. The deadline for applications is March 17, 1995. The minimum qualifications are: Applicants must be 21 years of age or older, U.S. citizen, high school diploma or G.E.D., valid motor vehicle license with a good driving record, no felony convictions or misdemeanor convictions (sex, drugs, violence, fraud/deceit), good health and moral character. Starting salary is \$2,656 per month for the first year. Applications can be obtained at any State Police office or call: (503) 378-3720, Extension 4131.

Men and women earn up to \$480 weekly assembling circuit boards and electronic components at home. Experience unnecessary, will train. Immediate openings your local area. Call 1-602-680-4647 ext. 102c.

Fast-pitch softball & baseball umpires needed: Game fee range is \$16-\$32.50 per softball umpire and \$17.50 per baseball umpire. Game Mon-Fri @ 4 or 4:30 p.m. or Sat. @ 12p.m.. Call Marcus Eng @ 754-9734.

Need people to staff Student Government Election Polls on March 7th & 8th. Minimum wage paid. Contact Julianne in CC-213.

FOR SALE

Small male Boa Constrictor, Mexican subspecies, darker color, feisty, \$75 o.b.o 928-1062.

For Sale: Recliner \$100; Sofa \$150; Rocker \$90; five small chairs \$25 each. All in great condition. Call 926-5356.

Four Studded Snow Tires, P/175/80R13, excellent condition \$150, golf bag \$45, Schwinn ten speed with rear rack and front end bag \$95.

300 plus comics and several boxes of sports cards/non-sports cards (some individual). Need to sell all. First \$150 takes all. Will sell comics or cards separately (no individuals). Comics \$100, cards \$75. See Carol Rich in Commuter office.

MISCELLANEOUS

Lesbian, gay, bi-sexual alliance meeting! The L.G.B.A Club of LBCC meets every Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. in room T-111 (behind Admissions). For more info or suggestions leave a note in the LGBA mailbox in the student programs.

Peace seekers! Interested in conflict resolution? Breaking down stereotypes; nationally, internationally? Peace studies will have a meeting March 8 at 2:00 in T-213. Open to all students! If you can't attend and would like info about Peace Studies, contact Angela in student programs @ ext. 831.

PERSONALS

Adoptees/Birthparents Support Group 7:00 p.m. 1st & 3rd Tuesday of every month. For more info 753-9126.

SCHOLARSHIPS

1995-Transportation Assn. of Portland to award two \$1,000 scholarships to full-time students in transportation-related fields (marketing, econ. acct., etc.). Deadline to apply is April 25, 1995. Apps available in Career Center, Takena Hall.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

review

Thought-provoking entertainment offered in Loft Theater production

by **Jaime Speelman**
of The Commuter

"Buried Child," a dark play of family secrets, will be presented by the Performing Arts Department Friday and Saturday, March 3 and 4 at 8 p.m., and Sunday, March 5 at 3 p.m. in the Loft Theater.

The story is centered around a dysfunctional farm family who has never quite come to terms with the terrible secret they have carried for many years.

The cast is led by Mike Baze as Dodge, the bitter, deteriorating family patriarch. His wife, Halie, played by Susan Neuschwander, is the nagging bible-beating mother who is in complete denial of her family's past. The first of their sons, Tilden, played by Michael DeMaio, is a quiet, confused man who struggles with his inner pain.

Bernie LeClerc takes the role of the second son, Bradley, who is the family bully and a constant threat to all.

When Tilden's long-lost son Vince, played by Mike Fairchild, comes home unexpectedly with his girlfriend Shelly, played by Jennifer Overholser, the family gets in an uproar at the arrival of the two strangers.

As the play progresses, the curious Shelly learns the family's past that leads to its bleak conclusion.

The cast is rounded off by Father Dewis, played by Arild Leavenworth.

Written by Sam Shepard and directed by Nick J. Bruno, "Buried Child" proves to be a worthwhile, thought-provoking experience that many will enjoy.

The characters are intriguing and are performed well by the cast.

Although the darkness of the story may not appeal to everyone (especially young children), I highly recommend the show for its intensity.

The Loft Theater is located in Tadena Hall, room 205. General admission tickets are \$4 and can be purchased at the door.

Seating is limited. Reservations can be made by visiting the LBCC box office located in Tadena Hall, Monday through Friday 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., or by phone at 967-6504.

commentary

From patchouli and home-brewed root beer to Obsession and zinfandel, festivals have it all

by **Paul Turner**
of The Commuter

Oregon has many events that draw large loyal crowds who return annually. Two of the most popular are the Oregon Country Fair and Newport's Wine and Seafood Festival.

The Country Fair is held every summer in Veneta (just east of Eugene) on a plot of private land. The fair draws vendors, musicians and aficionados of the counter-culture industry spawned in the 60s.

The Wine and Seafood Festival happens in the marina under the Newport bridge every February. The fair brings together many of the Oregon wineries and seafood vendors under a huge tent.

These are two of the most famous events in Oregon which leads to a nice compare and contrast.

Newport Wine and Seafood Festival:

- \$6.00 for adults to get in.
- Held under tents on an asphalt parking lot.
- Parking is next to impossible since the lots are filled with BMW's sporting 'I'd rather be shopping at Nordstroms' license plate frames.
- Count on 2 hours standing in the cold with 1,000 other people waiting to get in.
- Filled with yuppies looking down their noses at you if your jeans cost less than \$80.
- Piercing stares from irritated vendors.
- Over-dyed hair.
- Opportunity to sample many of Oregon's best wines.
- Multi-cultural cuisine priced unabashedly high.
- Seating? On the black-top with a vista of the Newport bridge over the bank of Port-A-Potty.
- Security is in a bad mood and seems to be looming everywhere.
- Music? This year (on Saturday) there was a Mexican band (quite good, actually) that played sporadically.
- Whenever someone breaks a wineglass the crowd goes wild, causing momentary deafness.
- The crowds are packed like seafood: sardines.
- Worth a second chance? If wine is your life.

Oregon Country Fair:

- \$8.00 for big ones to get in.
- Held outside on park-like grounds.
- Parking is in large, unpaved fields littered with VW buses sporting Grateful Dead stickers.
- Count on standing in the summer sun with about 500 other people waiting to get in.
- Filled with hippies looking at you in wonder if you choose to wear clothes at all.
- Pierced nipples and noses on vendors.
- Tie-dyed t-shirts.
- Opportunity to sample many of Thailand's best... uh... dude, look at all the colors.
- Multi-cultural cuisine priced way high.
- Seating? Find a tree and squat and watch all the funny people go by.
- Security must've been required to take Mellow 101 before hired.
- Music is everywhere. You name the style and someone is playing it somewhere.
- Parades of wild, semi-nude dancers, minstrels and children in costume prance down the lanes constantly, causing joyful amusement.
- The crowds are packed enough to forget the country setting. But still worth coming back especially if you miss the Dead this year.

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SPORTS



Photos by Carol Rich

Linn-Benton head coach Randy Falk, above, shows his disappointment after Chemeketa's last-second winning shot in Thursday nights' playoff qualifying game. At right, Sean Eaton goes up for two of his 18 points against the Chiefs Dan Meckel. Eaton finished with a game-high of 11 rebounds. Eaton, playing his last game as a Roadrunner, finished the season a the team's leading scorer. Also playing their last game in a Linn-Benton uniform were sophomores Greg Obrist and Aaron Mickey.



Last second shot ends great season for Linn-Benton

by Jessica Sprenger
of TheCommuter

A night of excitement and the opportunity to go to the league tournament for the first time in the history of men's basketball at LBCC came down to the last three seconds of the game Thursday at Chemeketa.

The Roadrunners were up 81-80 with 17 seconds left after freshman point guard Jeff Taylor hit an off balance shot in a game that had gone back and forth all night. But Chemeketa freshman Zac Olsen killed the Roadrunners' season at the buzzer with with his own clutch shot.

The final 17 seconds were a flurry of action as the Roadrunners tried to maintain their slim lead. As time ticked away the Chiefs had the ball knocked loose. The scramble ended in a jump ball, with Chemeketa maintaining possession. When the ball was inbounded the first option wasn't open so the Chiefs passed the ball out to freshman Olsen, who took one dribble before putting up a shot that dropped through the net as the the buzzer sounded, giving the Chiefs an 82-81 victory.

"It was a well-contested game," Coach Randy Falk said. "Two very good teams were playing. The game showed our true character. It showed the quality of our mentality."

Chemeketa opened the game strong, going on a 21-2 run in the first half and taking a 43-35 lead into the locker room at halftime.

The second half was more to the Roadrunner's liking, however, as Taylor and Sean Eaton both came alive, scoring a combined 27 points to help put the Roadrunners on top 46-39. In the first half Eaton and Taylor had combined for only 10 points.

"I'm very proud of the ways our guys battled back in the second half," Falk said. But the second half didn't go without controversy.

With just under two minutes left in the game, Eaton scrambled after a loose ball under the basket. When Eaton recovered the ball he tried to call a timeout to avoid turning it over. Unfortunately, LB had no timeouts left, resulting in a technical foul. Because Eaton already had four fouls, a technical would have given him his fifth,

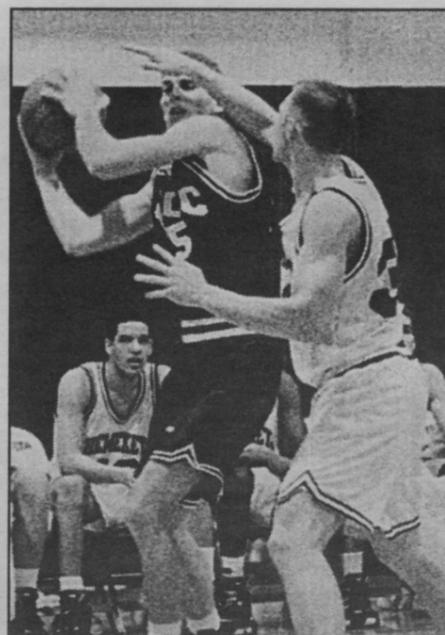
forcing his ejection. After a discussion among the officials, however, the technical was assessed to the bench and Eaton was allowed to continue.

With 41 seconds left and Chemeketa up 79-80 the Chiefs called a timeout. The start of play was delayed when a bottle of All-Sport drink was spilled on the playing floor and had to be cleaned.

Taylor finished the game as the Roadrunner's leading scorer with 19 points and eight assists. Eaton scored 18 and pulled down a game high 11 rebounds. Greg Obrist and Kyle Wonderly scored 13 and 10 points, respectively. Wonderly was a perfect five-for-five from the field.

The Roadrunners finished their season third in the Southern Division with a 10-4 league record and 16-8 overall.

"Overall for the year it's been a good season for us. It is truly a credit to the guys on the team," Falk said.



Sophomore Aaron Mickey goes up for two in his final game as a Roadrunner.

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Most Oregon college students decline aid

EUGENE, Ore. (AP)—Four out of every five students at state colleges or universities qualify for financial aid that is requested by less than three out of every five.

Preliminary results from a state Board of Higher Education study indicated many students didn't want the aid, didn't think the hassle of applying was worth the benefits or mistakenly thought their income was too high.

The aid ranges from outright grants to subsidized and unsubsidized student loans.

The study said the average annual loan for students who are still dependent on their parents is about \$4,300 while independent students report annual average loans of about \$5,800.

Chancellor Joe Cox said the report, called the "Oregon Family Resources Study," suggests schools would suffer large enrollment declines if they substantially increased their tuitions.

The \$70,000 study by Human Capital Research, a Chicago-based firm, will survey 4,000 students who were enrolled in the state system in spring 1994. So far, 1,267 responses have been tallied with the final report expected in June.

The board ordered the survey after receiving inquiries from legislators and the public about how much tuition could rise without turning away in-state students, Cox said.

Currently, Oregon residents attending the state's eight colleges and universities pay about 36 percent of the amount needed to cover their education.

The Oregon State government pays the other 64 percent.

"What you realize is that someone entering school this year is likely to leave in four years with a loan debt of \$17,000 to \$23,000," said George Pernsteiner, an associate vice chancellor.

For years, the board and many educators have assumed an average \$10,000 loan debt.

"It just reinforces what I've seen on our campuses," said Bobby Lee, a University of Oregon student who is one of two student members of the 11-member, governor-appointed board.

"When you see in-state tuition go up 66 percent in the last four years without any increase in financial aid, you squeeze people out," Lee said. "More students are working two or three jobs. Even those who get help from their families have jobs."

The preliminary results were announced last week at the state board's monthly meeting.

Attempt to derail Clinton suit fails

TAMPA, Fla. (AP)—A federal judge has thrown out an attempt by two men to derail Paula Jones' sexual harassment lawsuit against President Clinton.

The men, publishers of a Florida law magazine, asked the federal court in Tampa to make Jones pay \$27 million for pursuing her lawsuit. Daniel Schramek and Thomas Delor maintained Clinton could not "govern effectively" if he had to devote time, energy and money to fighting Jones' suit.

A federal judge has refused to throw out Jones' lawsuit, but ruled the trial cannot take place until the president leaves office. U.S. District Judge Elizabeth Kovachevich dismissed Schramek and Delor's lawsuit Tuesday, saying they failed to show any real reason why they had a right to sue Jones.

Jones' lawyer, Joseph Cammarata, said he was pleased, but not surprised. "We're glad to get rid of that headache," he said. "It was a ridiculous, frivolous suit."

The former Arkansas state employee says Clinton asked her to perform a sex act in a Little Rock hotel room in 1991 when he was governor of Arkansas. Clinton denies the claim.



Female prof claims she was denied promotion by male superior at UCLA, wins \$1.1 million

LOS ANGELES (AP)—A jury awarded \$1.1 million to a UCLA associate professor who claimed she was denied promotion because she is a woman.

The panel found for Antoinette Gomes in her sexual discrimination lawsuit against Hooshang Kangaroo and University of California regents.

Kangaroo is the former chairman of the University of California, Los Angeles radiological sciences department. He stepped down in 1993 but remains a professor.

Gomes claimed that he denied her two promotions to full professor, demoted her in favor of a man, frequently called her a "bitch," refused to approve her request for business cards and denied her research opportunities.

Kangaroo testified at trial that he didn't discriminate but made professional judgments of Gomes' abilities.

On Thursday, the jury awarded Gomes more than \$1.1 million for pain and suffering and economic damage, and on Friday added another \$5,000 in

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—Antoinette Gomes

punitive damages to be paid by Kangaroo.

"The University of California is my alma mater. I believe it's supposed to do good things. So it was very painful to have to do this," said Gomes, 52. "You can accept discrimination, you can walk away from it or you can dig your heels in and say, 'I won't be treated like this.'"

Joseph D. Mandel, UCLA's vice chancellor for legal affairs, said an internal review by Gomes' peers found she was denied promotion because of her qualifications.

"Based upon . . . our view of the evidence, I don't think we're yet of the view that a wrong of gender discrimination has been committed," he said.

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OPINION

letters

Letter writers need lesson in grammar, spelling, format

To the Editor:

My office has received several letter from your student body recently. I would like to offer some direction or "tips" to follow when writing to a legislator if you want your letter to have a favorable impression.

Follow the guidelines of a standard business letter which everyone should have a learned how to write during their high school years. Proof read the letter and have a fellow student also proof read the letter. Check the spelling! I have received letters where even "Sincerely" has been misspelled.

Include your personal mailing address. As a legislator, I feel that the writer does not have a strong commitment to the subject when they give neither an address or a legible signature.

Letters which follow these simple guidelines will be taken much more seriously than a letter which is thrown together at the last moment.

Liz VanLeeuwen
State Representative District 37

Writer questions CCA 'agenda'

To the Editor:

I direct this letter at one of the students on this campus, Eric Bootsma. I am confused as to his agenda and the purpose of the so-called "College Conservatives Association." Not only has he made social isolationist-like statements and threatened to sue Student Government, but has now implied that in two years' time he can't even understand the simple process of turning his "vision" into a club. In his last letter to The Commuter, Eric states that "The problem is not that we [CCA] cannot find an advisor but that we cannot find a staff member that fits within the strict parameters set by Student Activities."

Well Eric, as someone who has gone through the process and survived, let me let you in on a few secrets. First it would probably be helpful if you know that Student Programming, not Student Activities, oversees clubs on campus. Second, to use the words of Mrs. Fella, Student Program Coordinator, "An advisor must be a LBCC staff member and have a pulse." Are you SURE that the problem is not that you just can't find a staff member that can even stomach your conservative agenda. (After all it was the Oregon conservatives that brought us measure 5 in 1990, effectively reducing funds and causing a tuition increase at LBCC and other schools.) Or that you don't have enough members to be considered a club?

I think you hide behind this imaginary organization to push your own personal agenda. You see I also think that you realize that if you signed statements simply Eric Bootsma, Student instead of Eric Bootsma, President, College Conservatives Association your radical views wouldn't carry as much weight. And I also think that everyone else has figured that out, too. You may have an association, with members, and everything. But the fact remains that it is not an officially recognized LB Club.

Michael Kotara, President
Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual Alliance Club

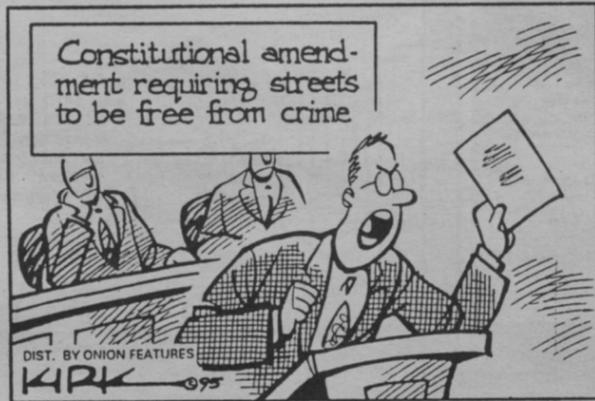
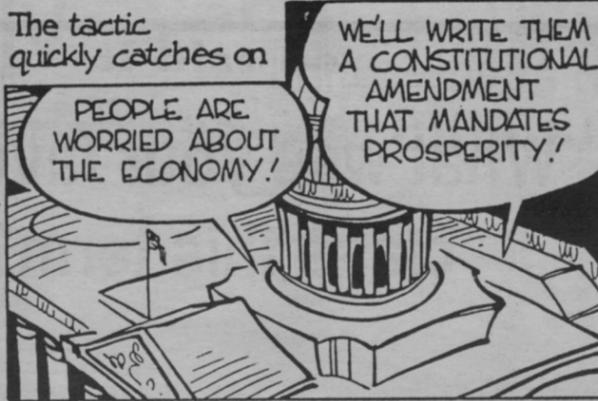
Posters left up for an 'eternity'

To the Editor:

I've been attending classes here at LBCC for two years straight, summers included. The walls and hallways that are uses to place the many banners, announcements, and other informative material are no stranger to me. I have observed that this semester is probably the best as far as old information being eliminated within a day or two after its purpose has been met.

I question the many posters around the campus placed by "Radical Reality." Why are they allowed to keep their material on the walls for what appears to me as an indefinite amount of time? I come to this campus for education, not for religion. If Radical Reality can keep their posters on view for "eternity" then when will I begin to see other religious organizations start to placard the walls, perhaps causing important announcements to be ignored?

Carol Rich



ellen goodman

'Freedom-Loving Individualists' do battle with 'Health Nazis' over America's future

Boston—Try to imagine America as a cavernous and rather popular restaurant. You walk through the doorway on any given day and the maitre d' immediately asks your preference for the country's future. What will it be: Smoking or Non-Smoking?

Faced with this choice, most Americans have decided to take their place in the non-smoking section of this public health argument. Even smokers, backed into small corners under exhaust fans, have tended to agree.

But a not-so-funny thing is happening on the way to a smoke-free environment. The public debate is shifting deliberately and subtly. The anti-smoking campaign has come up against a new enemy: the anti-anti-smoking campaign. The old enemy—the tobacco chieftains—is now matched against a new enemy—the health chieftains.

The maitre d' now offers a very different choice of designated seating to Americans. What will it be: "Freedom-Loving Individualists" or "Health Nazis"? Take your pick.

In the courts, the tobacco crowd is on the defensive. In just the past week, Mississippi and Florida both filed huge suits demanding that the cigarette companies rather than the taxpayers ante up for smoke-related illnesses. A federal judge in New Orleans has cleared the way for a gigantic nationwide class action suit by a consortium of 60 law firms on behalf of 100 million smokers and former smokers.

But outside the courtroom, it's a different scene. The label slapped onto this idea by the tobacco industry is sticking. The perverse warning about the dangers of anti-smoking extremists, of big government and uncivil non-libertarians has been taken up by conservatives with something approaching glee.

This month, the cover story of The American Spectator is a satire about smoking in New York. Most of its barbs are pointed at anti-smoking yuppies who "almost all think of themselves as allies in a moral and ecological crusade."

The National Review has a piece by a writer in the throes of nicotine withdrawal. But he lauds the "renewed popularity" of smoking, calling it "a swipe at all Health Nazis, part of what commentators are already calling a nationwide 'conservative renaissance.'"

Cigarettes and conservatives are being packaged

together as tightly these days as the radio and the right wing. Not surprisingly, Rush Limbaugh, the right's gift to cigar manufacturers, is a regular in the attack pack.



This is one way for conservatives to keep peace with those whose political lives are tethered to tobacco. A star of this group is Virginia's Tom Bliley, a pro-tobacco mortician who now heads a House subcommittee on health and the environment. Talk about conflict of interest. Then there is Tennessee's Sen. Bill Frist, a heart

and lung transplant surgeon, who may tell his patients to quit smoking but promises his constituents to defend "smokers rights."

Just a year ago, a very different Congress held hearing to show how the tobacco folk kept smokers hooked, calibrating the dose of nicotine and even changing the tobacco gene. There was talk of regulating nicotine like any other drug. Now there's hardly a puff of concern coming out of the Capitol.

The linkage of the right wing with the wrong stuff isn't complete. It appalls those like Beth Whalen who describes herself as a "politically conservative Newt Gingrich person" and an anti-smoking activist. As head of the American Council

on Science and Health, she says angrily, "I'm tired of being called a Health Nazi."

Indeed, for all its conservative chic, an oligopoly of half-dozen cigarette makers isn't much of a role model for a free market. Nor is a business that kills its customers.

For that matter, the purest libertarian, the person who believes that we should be free to cruise down the highway of life at any speed, in any condition, without a government license or a helmet law, still makes a distinction between adults and children. But cigarette advertising targets children. The number of kids who leave high school as confirmed smokers hasn't gone down in a decade.

Now adults are being sold the tobacco party line in politics: smoking as freedom. But the cigarette makes a perverse icon to liberty. The freedom to get hooked? The right to addiction?

The issue isn't "Health Nazis." It's still health. The only "Freedom-Loving Individualists" that the tobacco industry cares about are the ones in need of another fix.

Indeed, for all its conservative chic, an oligopoly of half-dozen cigarette makers isn't much of a role model for a free market. Nor is a business that kills its customers.

THE LAST WORD

you said it

What was your favorite class this term?

I liked Cultural Anthropology 103 with Jim Bell because he makes it fun. He's a funny guy. I thought I was gonna hate it. We learn more about other countries. I just finished a big mid-term exam.

Amber Lindemann, Mehama
First year, nursing



Biology 201! I liked it because it's my major. I really get into understanding the terminology and concepts. I want to go to medical or veterinarian school.

Regina Grassman, Corvallis
Second year, biology

I liked Calculus 252. I had a great teacher—Lynn Trimpe. She broke it down to real fundamental ideas, very useful, very real. It was easy to grasp. It can be fun when it's taught by her. She's a great teacher. I would have liked to have taken all my math from her.

Seth Bary, Corvallis
Second year, biology



American Government 202. I just like learning about government. I'm interested in the system and how it works. I'm doing an internship with Representative Van Leeuwen.

Angela Vandiver, Sweet Home
First year, political science

My favorite this term was American Government with Doug Clark. He makes class very interesting and understandable. We've covered the background of government, policymaking, and the welfare system. I took government in high school but this is better. I'm taking a second political science class—International Relations—because I enjoyed this one so much.

Brooke Stinchcomb
First year, Writing/English



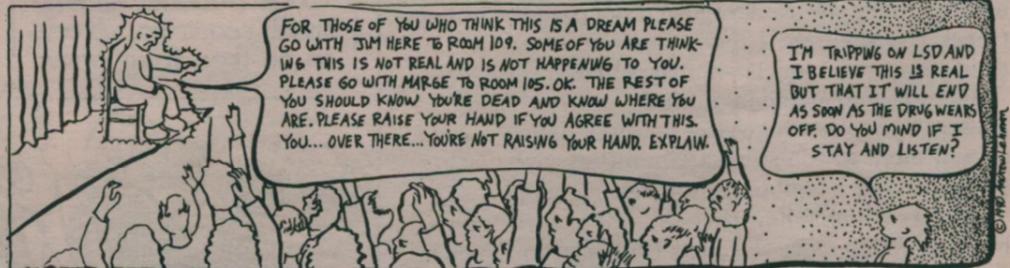
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No man, however conservative, can stand before a class day after day and refrain from saying more than he knows.

—Morris Cohen

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Crossword 101

"It's a Colorful World!"

By Gerry Frey

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 - 15 French river
 - 16 Day of the wk.
 - 17 Colorful virile person
 - 19 Get up
 - 20 Hartford-Boston dir.
 - 21 Helper
 - 22 "___-Chitty Bang-Bang"
 - 24 Smooth fabrics
 - 26 Obtain from another source
 - 28 Duck formations
 - 30 Hermit, e.g. (2 wds)
 - 33 Mr. Kaplan & others
 - 36 Breakfast bread
 - 38 Flightless bird
 - 39 "___ well that ends well"
 - 40 Covers
 - 41 Principle
 - 42 Old French coin
 - 43 Helicopter sounds
 - 44 Despises
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 - 47 German donkey
 - 49 Separated
 - 51 Potatoes
 - 55 Salty solution
 - 57 Roman road
 - 59 Decay
 - 60 ___ the Terrible
 - 61 Rudolph's forte: 3 wds
 - 64 Memo
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 - 66 German river
 - 67 Indebted to
 - 68 Weedy plants
 - 69 Mathematician Descartes
- DOWN**
- 1 Bus charges
 - 2 Sports palace
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 - 4 Decline
 - 5 Famous Plaza resident
 - 6 Tone
 - 7 Waited
 - 8 Byron's before
 - 9 Colorful organization
 - 10 Endeavor
 - 11 Colorful turkey part
 - 12 Ital. neighbor
 - 13 Victim
 - 18 Bowling needs
 - 23 Clue
 - 25 "As I was going to St. ___"
 - 27 Expire
 - 29 Step measurement
 - 31 French friend
 - 32 Convent residents
 - 33 Breath hard
 - 34 Indonesian island
 - 35 Colorful luncheon special
 - 37 Paddle
 - 40 Blistering color
 - 41 Beer ingredient
 - 43 Alert
 - 44 Listened attentively
 - 46 Ached
 - 48 Navigates
 - 50 Distributor: Abrev.
 - 52 Eat away
 - 53 Baseball's AI ('53 MVP)
 - 54 Cordwood measure
 - 55 ___-Japanese War
 - 56 Affirm
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