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Table Training

First-year culinary arts student Christina Mattews (left) gets a lesson in table service from instructional assistant Alexis Chambers in The Santiam Room Restaurant, which serves as a lab for students. The Culinary Arts Department is preparing for its third annual Endowment Dinner on Friday, March 1. The seven-course meal features an appetizer of tamales, squab consomme, apple ginger sorbet, grilled sturgeon with caviar and potato gnocchi, pan-seared beef tenderloin with crab risotto, roasted root vegetables, tomato timbale salad with Belgian endive and a dessert of plum strudel with sugared pecans and vanilla bean mint ice cream. Tickets to the 7 p.m. dinner are \$40 and may be purchased at College Center, Room 214. Proceeds benefit the Culinary Arts scholarship fund.

Student elections put on hold as advisers, council debate changes

by Mary Hake
of The Commuter

Student elections scheduled for Feb. 27-28 have been indefinitely postponed by executive order of President Jon Carnahan in order to clarify the process and positions of student government leaders and advisers.

ASLBCC Moderator Angela Rivera said that student leaders want to build coalition between students and staff.

When new officers are elected, their term of office will be June 1, 1996 through May 31, 1997, following a two-week transition period when they will learn their jobs from current officers, who have agreed to extend their term of service through May. Previously the term ran from spring term through winter term.

This change of term was approved by student government leaders at their Feb. 7 meeting. According to its constitution, the ASLBCC student council has the power to approve such changes to the LBCC bylaws.

Applications for Associated Student Government officers are due today. Heidi McKinney, Student Programming Board Events Specialist, said that after the new election dates have been set, the deadline for applications will probably be extended. The ASLBCC election code specifies that elections must be held within two weeks of the petition deadline.

Also on the ballot will be the amendments to the ASLBCC constitution to add two new members to the council and change the titles of moderator and of operations coordinator to president and vice president.



Angela Rivera

Cheating seen as less common in college than in high school

by Matt Wade
of The Commuter

Cheaters never win and winners never cheat—so goes the old saying. If that's true, then Linn-Benton is full of winners.

Recently a nationwide study of 3,351 high school students reported that 89 percent believe cheating is common at their schools and 76 percent admitted cheating themselves.

The study polled students listed in "Who's Who Among American High School Students," who are the top 10 percent in their class.

But top students and long-time teachers at LBCC have reported that cheating is not much of a problem and is much lower than in high school.

"It's hard to believe the poll. Students we get here are hardworking, care about learning and are mostly high quality students," said English instructor and department head Beth Camp.

Being an English teacher, Camp mostly sees plagia-

"College level students pay money, so copying only cheats yourself."

—Jake Preus

izing. To prevent this, she tries to get students to learn to separate their own thinking from what others think. Some students plagiarize out of research material, but not close to the amount in the high school poll, she said. "Only one or two students a term will intentionally cheat by using papers written by other students."

"Cheating never crosses my mind because I have such respect for my students," said Spanish teacher Vera Harding. I have only seen cheating on a test a couple of times in 16 years, she said.

"Students sometimes will cheat on homework assignments, but they are only cheating themselves when they do this and on the test it will show," she said.

Dave Perkins, longtime science teacher, spreads his classes out during tests to prevent the temptation of

cheating. "Most students don't want to cheat, but if that temptation is there, it is hard to resist," he said.

He has also seen duplicate homework assignments turned in. "The first time it happens I will talk to the students, and if it happens again I ask them who wants the credit or if they want to split it. They usually want full credit so they stop," he said. "I am trusting of most students, though. They pay their money and try hard," he said.

LBCC's Phi Theta Kappa, an honorary society, has also seen little cheating on tests.

"I have not seen any direct cheating (on tests or quizzes) but a fair amount of copying on homework," said Jake Preus, a PTK member. "College level students pay money, so copying only cheats yourself." There is definitely less than high school, he said.

Fellow student Matt Alexander agreed. "High school has more cheating because some students are just there to get a diploma and in college you are learning for an occupation."

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what students think

Flat tax, like politics in general, inspires apathy

by Pete Petryszak
of The Commuter

When asked what they felt about presidential candidate Steve Forbes and his flat tax plan, students at LBCC are steadfast in their apathy.

Malcolm Steve Forbes, Jr. is the son of the original publisher of Forbes magazine, which chronicles the activities of the world's most successful businessmen. Forbes' biggest issue in the campaign is a flat tax system, which would establish a 17

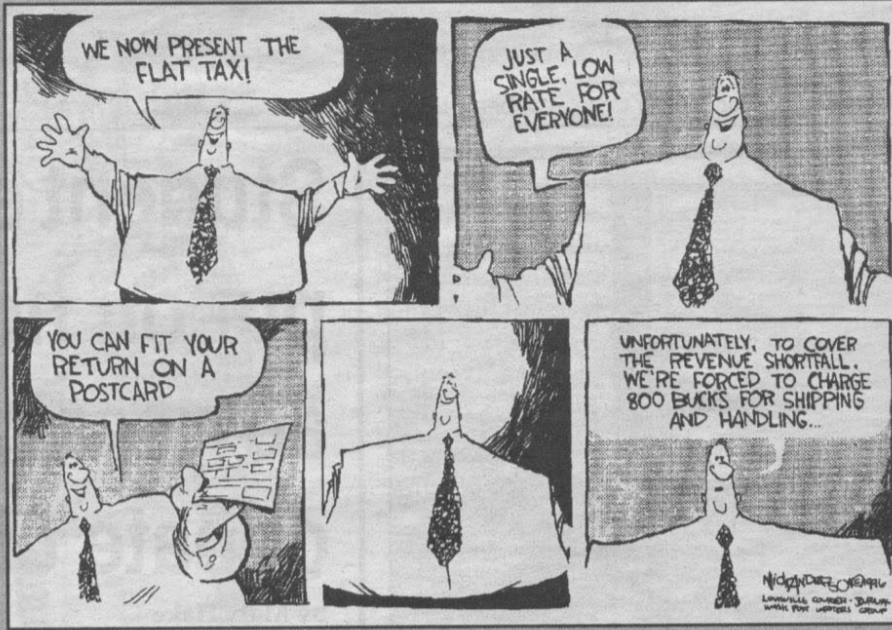
percent income tax rate for everyone.

Half the students questioned did not know who Forbes was, although some were able to figure out that he was connected to Forbes magazine.

Student Jason Beutler expressed the feelings of a majority of those surveyed, saying "I never really thought about it."

Forbes' idea of a flat tax generated some varied opinions among students, but the messenger was not nearly as popular as the message.

LBCC student Stan Strauss liked the idea, calling it "the best idea to come along. I wish someone had come up with



Esmeralda Rodriguez, who will be voting for the first time in the 1996 election, would like to hear more details before she makes up her mind. "It's a good idea in theory," she said. "But it's too general right now. I wonder how it will effect the deficit."

The attitude on campus toward Forbes' proposal and toward politics in general was expressed by a female student who declined to be identified. "I choose to be ignorant," she said. "Politics is one of those things like religion and pro sports that I'm better off not thinking about."

years ago." When asked which candidate he preferred Strauss said, "I don't like any of them. All I know is I won't vote for Clinton."

Most of those surveyed expressed a distaste for politics and a mistrust of politicians in general.

"It doesn't sound good. There's something he's (Forbes) not saying," Jack Gourley said.

With a little experience, mid-terms seem less stressful

by Josh Burk
of The Commuter

It's that time of term once again. Time to stay up late, consume massive quantities of caffeine and cram for that mid-term that is coming up.

For some the whole ordeal is over, but for others the horror is just beginning.

Jayson Cook, an LBCC student, is all finished with his winter mid-terms. "I was a little more prepared this term than last, but they were still killers."

"Staying up late studying doesn't help me when it comes to big tests. If I want to do the best that I can on a test then I have to have plenty of sleep. I would rather study a little here and there earlier in the day and catch up on my sleep at night. Last term I spent my late nights with my nose in the book and not sleeping, but when I went in to take my test I was so tired that I forgot things. This term I knew better, and I did better," said general studies major Susan Sheridan.

"There is nothing better than finding out that you did good on a big test like a mid-term or a final. It makes you feel really good inside. You know that you used your brain on something and it turned out just the way you wanted it to."

-Jessica Price

typical in-class-sweat-it-out scantron test. I'm sure that I did OK on them, but I still want to see the actual grade to make sure that I did OK."

"There is nothing better than finding out that you did good on a big test like a mid-term or a final. It makes you feel really good inside. You know that you used your brain on something and it turned out just the way you wanted it to," said Jessica Price, a science major. "I just hope that I do good on my mid-terms so that I get that feeling that I accomplished something big."

Not all people are as lucky as Cook and Sheridan; some are still dreading taking their mid-terms. There are a lot of students who still don't know the results from their tests or who have still not even taken their mid-terms yet.

Martin Keller, LBCC student, said, "I only had a mid-term in two classes, and I still don't know the results of either one. One of the tests was an easy take-home test but the other wasn't so easy. It was the

Valley Writers Workshop rescheduled for Saturday

by LBCC Media Relations

The Willamette Valley Writers Series has rescheduled a two-hour workshop that was canceled due to the recent flooding.

Poet Ann Staley will conduct the workshop entitled "Waterwords: Writing About the Natural World" on Saturday Feb. 24 from 8-10 a.m. in LBCC's first

floor College Center Board Rooms.

The cost is \$10 general admission and \$5 for students and seniors.

Staley will also give a free poetry reading on Tuesday Feb. 27 in Takena Hall Room 213.

Writing workshop participants will explore and share writing generated in response to poems, essays and visual

texts focused in the natural world. Participants should bring a notebook.

Staley teaches writing-intensive courses at Philomath High School and at Lewis and Clark College's Northwest Writing Institute. She is founding editor of "Fireweed" and teaches the freshmen Language and Thinking course at Bard College.

Immigrants still filling Oregon

by Dorothy Wilson
of The Commuter

Wagons Ho! Today's Oregon is still drawing settlers. U-hauls and moving vans have replaced the covered wagons and the land is far from free, but reasons for coming remain much the same as in the 1800s—a chance to make better living and a house to call a home.

According to Earl Fairbanks, regional economist for the Oregon Employment Department in Salem, defense cutbacks in the late 1980s led to the displacement of workers in high tech industries across the nation.

"The population increase in itself is the main reason Oregon now has one of the strongest economies in the country," said Fairbanks. "The influx of workers from states like New York, California and North Dakota generates jobs in many Oregon industries."

He explained that the increased demand for goods and housing, roads and schools creates opportunities for Oregon workers. However, he said the growing population puts pressure on the infrastructure (parks, schools, roads, etc.).

"People are going to move to Oregon. It is incumbent on Oregonians to have control over the type of growth they want. Long-range planning is essential," Fairbanks encourages citizens to participate in the decision-making process, especially in regard to zoning issues (where houses and businesses should be built, development of school programs, property and planning for increased traffic on the highways).

LBCC student and local business manager Lawrence Crofoot, is worried about inevitable growth. "They have been coming here and bringing the 'bull' with them," he said, adding not only are they putting pressure on the environment, but others claiming to be concerned about the environment support laws that are causing Oregonians to lose their jobs. He did say that property values have "quadrupled" in 10 years which will be good for some people who own land before the boom.

"But for others, lower income Oregonians, buying a house will be harder than it used to be," said Fairbanks. "There is nothing that is totally positive or totally negative about Oregon's growth."

Rob Bornheimer, agent for Mayflower Cummings Transfer in Albany, said 50 percent of the company's business comes from corporate accounts like Hewlett-Packard who have hired Cummings Transfer to move workers to Oregon.

"It is pretty here, but I miss my family and friends," says Rene Chapman, LBCC business major. Her husband, Steve, located in Corvallis from St. Louis, Missouri two years ago to go to work for Hewlett-Packard. They can afford to buy a home now, but the couple is hesitating. In the end, they say, that someday the high-tech industry in St. Louis will be hiring again.

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CAMPUS NEWS

Sweet Home student learns the ancient art of falconry

ic student spends six years
quality time with a red-tailed
k, but admits falconry is not
sport for everyone

ff Green

e Commuter

et Ben Pickett and King. Pickett is
year-old sophomore at LBCC who
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and rabbits. Different as they may
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hunting.

ng is a male red-tailed hawk and
tt is a falconer. They met six years
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er, a longtime friend, as an appren-
o learn the art of falconry.

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and Wildlife and taking a federal
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Pickett said. Only first-year birds
be trapped, and 80-90 percent of
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he will stick with King. Falconing
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definitely not a pet." It takes much



Photo by Jeff Green

LBCC music student Ben Pickett shows off King, his 7-year-old red-tailed hawk. Pickett is a licensed general falconer who lives in Sweet Home.

attention to watch the birds' weight to know when and how much to feed them. Pickett keeps a scale that he uses to weigh King every day to manage his weight, keeping it around 920 grams. If his weight varies, he may become weak or lazy.

Even though he is in captivity, King still hunts for his food and needs to be in top condition. Every few days, depending on his weight and what he previously ate, King and Pickett will go hunting. They travel to local fields where King will perch in a tree or on a vantage point, and Pickett will scare up

game. King's usual diet consists of rabbits and small rodents such as pack rats.

King has been trained to associate food with a whistle, which is how Pickett calls his hawk back to him. When Pickett blows the whistle, King returns to his hand to be rewarded with food.

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—Ben Pickett

King hunt in. This allows Pickett to locate him if he flies over a hill or gets stuck in a briar patch, which is important in case a Great Horned Owl would like to make

King wears bells on his feet so Pickett can find him in the fields and brush they frequently

King his lunch.

Pickett hopes in the future to get a peregrine falcon. They require twice as much work as a hawk, and a dog is needed to point out the quarry while the falcon is carried on the handler's hand. Its head is covered with a hood because the darkness helps to calm the bird. When the dog points on the game, the handler releases the hood and casts the bird into the air.

The Falconers Association has been working extensively to educate people and has been involved in programs to reintroduce peregrines to the wild.

Peregrines were once close to extinction with fewer than 100 nesting pairs left in the United States. Falconers and the Fish and Wildlife Department worked closely to reintroduce birds through falconry techniques.

But they tried to do this too fast, said Pickett. They bred peregrines around the world and the result was a hybrid of what the native peregrines were. The natives and the hybrids have since interbred and the true genetics of peregrines has been changed forever.

Another issue they are confronting is that the decline in the peregrine's numbers may be related to the extinction of the passenger pigeon, a major food source for falcons.

Studies have also shown that eggshells were becoming thinner due to the effects of DDT. But Pickett argues that these tests may have been inaccurate.

The eggshells collected and tested by scientists were preserved by poking a hole in the shell and blowing out the contents. This would sort out the thicker shells since the thinner shells would break. It is possible that the test was inaccurate due to collection and preservation techniques.

Falconry, a 5,000-year-old sport, is a tradition that was enjoyed by royalty and the nobility. Shakespeare himself was a falconer known to keep peregrines.

King has become part of Pickett's family. He said the birds really have a mind of their own. He refers to falconry as "an extremely expensive form of bird watching, where he allows me to go out and watch him hunt."

Pastors for Peace 'friendshipment' of computers again seized at border

y Tricia LaFrance

f The Commuter

On Feb. 17, for the second time in less than a month, a Cuba-bound caravan which included two Albany residents was prevented from crossing the U.S.-Mexican border by Federal agents.

Their boxes of medical supplies were, however, allowed to pass.

North Albany residents Ed and June Hemmingson, the local chair of Linn-Benton PeaceWorks, left Albany last Wednesday and planned to meet other activists at the border on Saturday.

The border event, which was highly publicized, was intended to show the "cruelty" of the U.S. trade embargo against Cuba, according to organizers for the Pastors for Peace caravan.

"The embargo is like an act of war against a country that is not waging war against us," Ed Hemmingson said in an earlier interview. "We are not attempting commerce or trade. We are protesting—attempting the break—the embargo."

The computers were forbidden due to the 35-year-old embargo against Cuba, a Communist island nation. U.S. customs officials said they confiscated 29 pieces of computer equipment, according to the Associated Press. Members of Pastors for Peace were said to have stated that they had been allowed to carry over 105 containers of medical supplies, which included items such as decongestants and sponges.

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Press reports said that a spokesperson for the U.S. Customs Service told them that federal agents had granted a blanket permit allowing medical supplies to cross the border. The reports also stated that the activists have said that the boxes will be stored in Tijuana, Mexico, for a week before being flown to Havana, Cuba.

The event began at 11:30 a.m. with a prayer service held by the Pastors for Peace. After that, members picked up boxes filled with computers, computer parts and medical supplies and headed for the border.

The Pastors for Peace Friendship caravan tied up the border crossing area for hours as members, prayed, sang and tried to carry computer and medical supplies south, according to press reports.

Because of the publicity surrounding the computer carrying activists, authorities were prepared to handle the protesters and the traffic at the world's busiest border crossing. However, the pedestrian border crossing was reported to have been blocked from about noon to 2 p.m. by about 150 Pastors for Peace mem-

bers, counterprotesters and police.

U.S. agents directed all of the activists into a secondary inspection area where the computers were seized.

Press reports indicated that U.S. Customs Service officials found it hard to prove the computers were for humanitarian aid.

Pastors for Peace organizers said the computers were to go to Cuban doctors so they could hook up to the Internet and link hospitals and clinics and rural health facilities to an on-line medical information network and learn of the latest advances in medical technology. The medical supplies, they said, were destined for Cuba's under-supplied health clinics.

Officials considered many of the computers to be too old for Internet capability, news reports said. Some of the computer parts appeared to have come from computers manufactured in the 1970s.

While the Pastors for Peace group was attempting to cross the border, about 50 people, members of Alpha 66, a self-described guerrilla group, held a counter-demonstration.

The Alpha 66 group, many dressed in army fatigues, support the embargo and oppose Cuban leader Fidel Castro, according to Associated Press reports.

Police tape separated the two groups, according to the reports, and no confrontation between the two groups was apparent.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

LBCC counselor moonlights as musician

by Christina Bondurant
of The Commuter

There's a little secret on campus; one of the staff here is leading a double life. By day he is a counselor, but by night he is . . . a folk musician.

Mark Weiss has been playing guitar for 30 years. He grew up with music being his number-one passion. His father was a violinist from the Julliard School of Music, so he naturally started out playing violin. He moved on to the fiddle, the mandolin and, finally, the guitar.

"It was a part of the world that every human being needed," he said, "an artistic passion-in my family it was music."

Weiss has been in various groups, mostly involving Bluegrass and Folk styles. He did a solo album featuring children's music that earned a lot of praise, including an award from Parents Choice Magazine.

On campus, Weiss is involved in personal and career counseling and teaches a class on college management. He also has a background in childhood education and helps out in the Family Center three times a week.

"Most people that have an artistic passion find a way to do it on the side with a day job," he said.

The musical group he is most involved in is The Ditchwater Trio. Weiss plays lead guitar, mandolin and does some back-up vocals. Debbie Davis, who also works on campus as a part-time biology teacher, does vocals. Tim Harden plays guitar and banjo.

The group has been together for five years and mostly covers older country, blues and jazz songs. The

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—Mark Weiss

Ditchwater Trio performs at coffee houses in Corvallis and occasionally plays at the coast. They do some fund raising, most recently they played to support the Wildlife Center.

The group will be playing at The Best Seller Coffee House in May and have talked about playing here on campus sometime.

Their audience consists of various people, most often they are adults who were into folk music when it was big.

The Ditchwater Trio have a tape entitled "Too Old to Die Young." The music is lighthearted and fun, with song titles like "Solar Kills" and "Since I Fell For You."

The group's tape and Weiss' solo album are available to purchase either through Weiss at his office in the Counseling Center or at Grassroots Bookstore in Corvallis.

Although opportunities for musicians seem to be scarce in Oregon, Weiss finds a way to do what he loves.

"There is an emotional outlet and personal expression in playing music that I find very satisfying," said Weiss.



Photo by Adam Carpenter

LBCC counselor Mark Weiss performs with a local folk group called The Ditchwater Trio, which has recently released a tape of its light-hearted music titled "Too Old to Die Young."

Whether it's sax, horn or clarinet student composer 'feels' the music

by A. Banks
of The Commuter

"It's not fair, some teachers won't even give me a chance. I attended school in Lane County where one of my professors would not even listen to my music, believing someone with a hearing impairment couldn't possibly compose music."

Cheryl Zoller, a 30-year-old LBCC student, has proved that theory to be way off. She composes as well as performs music.

Since she was a band director at the age of 12, Cheryl has been defying many hearing people's expectations. She has continued to learn, compose and perform music with the clarinet, trombone, trumpet, percussions and, her favorite instrument, the saxophone.

Although music is one of Cheryl's biggest interests, an education is important to her too. She's studying technology, chemistry and math this term at LBCC. Her major is geology and Liberal

Arts. She has hopes to transfer to OSU in the fall.

Cheryl wanted to attend the U of O, but because she does not recognize the different pitches in music she would have a hard time being accepted there-so OSU is the alternative.

OSU offers a computer program for composing her music and a program that can teach her how to teach music. "I will have the opportunity to meet other musicians there and hopefully perform with them," said Cheryl. "The good thing about OSU is that ear training is not required."

With 18 years of music pounding through her heart, Cheryl tries to explain what it's like not to hear the notes we do, but to feel them as she does. "I feel the vibration in my finger tips and the rhythm in my chest," said Cheryl.

Cheryl is looking to meet other musicians to form a group. In the long run, she hopes to become a professional. She enjoys playing for churches, schools and day-care children.

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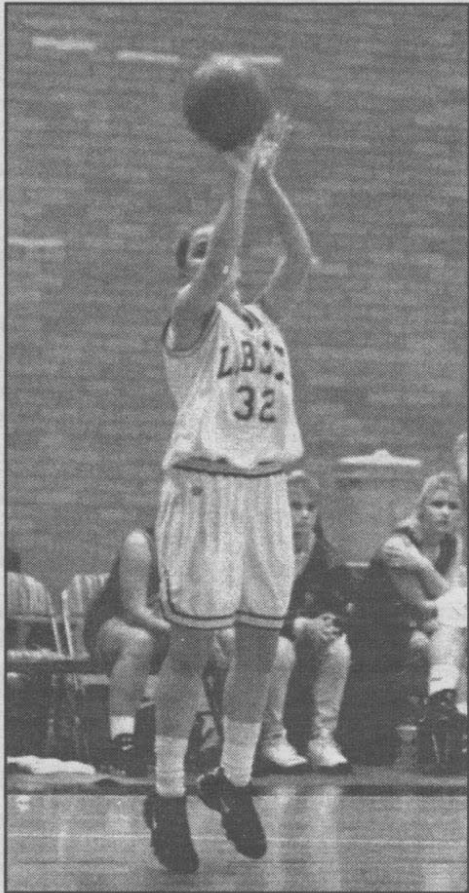
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SPORTS PAGE

Runners fall to Cougars in regular season finale



Melinda MacLean puts in two of her points as the Roadrunner try for victory, but the women dropped two close games ending their season.

Despite loss, LB men finish fourth and play the Cougars again Thursday in regionals

by Jessica Sprenger of The Commuter

With their playoff positions riding on Saturday's outcome, the men's and women's basketball teams both fell to Clackamas.

In their final home game and the last league game for the sophomores, the men came back from a 21-point half-time deficit to within five points of defeating the Cougars 89-84. The Roadrunners scored 62 points in the second half.

Despite the loss, the Linn-Benton men finished the regular season in fourth place, 6-8 in league and 12-14 overall. They travel to Clackamas on Thursday to play the Cougars at 8 p.m. in the first round of Southern Division playoffs.

It was the second time in two years that the men qualified for the regional playoffs. Last year they were eliminated by Chemeketa and failed to advance to the NWAACC Tournament.

Against Clackamas on Saturday, Linn-Benton was led by Chris Swallow with 21 points.

Four other Roadrunners were in

double figures: Steve Roberts (19), Kyle Wonderly (16), Andy McCabe (12) and Chris Clark (11).

McCabe grabbed seven rebounds and Swallow dished out five assists.

Clackamas' Leif Spencer hurt the Roadrunners with 30 points after going 8 of 12 from the field, including four three-pointers and a perfect 10 of 10 from the free throw line. Jawanza Hadley added 20 points for the Cougars.

In the women's game, Linn-Benton fell 77-67 to Clackamas, eliminating the Roadrunners from the playoffs.

Linn-Benton led most of the game, but fouls hurt their chances for victory. The Roadrunners had 27 fouls compared to the Cougars' 12. Clackamas was 27 of 37 from the free throw line and Linn-Benton was 8 of 12.

With all the fouls, Melissa Olson, Linn-Benton's leading scorer, and Jessica Sprenger fouled out late in the game within a few minutes of each other.

Despite fouling out, Olson scored a career-high 28 points going 14 of 22. She also collected nine rebounds.

Kodi Waite added 16 points and dished out nine assists for the Roadrunners. Melinda MacLean dished out six assists and had four steals. Lisa Knudsen also had four steals.

The women finished 6-8 in league and 16-9 overall.

Women's Results

UMPQUA 87, LINN-BENTON 83
 UMPQUA (87): Gethins 0-1 0-0 0, Combs 3-11 1, Lechmann 6-17 2-4 17, Smith 2-2 0-0 6, Conway 3-8 0-0 7, Berry 1-6 0-0 2, Burgess 8-13 1, Magee 3-6 6-6 12, Tamamasui 4-9 3-4 13, ...
 LINN-BENTON (83): Waite 3-8 1-3 8, Sprenger 5-6 19, MacLean 5-13 0-0 12, Ziegler 3-8 4-4 13, Olson 13-19 1-1 27. Totals: 34-60 12-16 83.
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 CLACKAMAS 77, LINN-BENTON 67
 CLACKAMAS (77): Sorenson 5-15 0-14 14, Hatch 4-5, Haselwood 3-7 2-2 10, Segerston 1-1 1-1 1, Vrtiska 0-2 4-4 4, Knudsen 1-1 0-0 2, Becher 0-0 0, Barchus 2-4 5-6 9, Sharp 6-9 7-11 19, Cox 5-8 11. Totals: 32-53 21-37 77.
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 CLACKAMAS 89, LINN-BENTON 84
 CLACKAMAS (89): Pearson 5-7 2-3 13, Bullock 1-3 0-2, Spencer 8-12 10-10 30, Hay 1-3 9-12 11, Valley 2-3 2-5 6, Hadley 7-12 5-5 20, Lassen 3-16, Beall 0-1 0-0 0. Totals: 27-46 28-35 89.
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Women's Standings

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Clackamas	12	2	.857	—
Umpqua	11	3	.786	1
Oregon	6	8	.429	6
Hood	6	8	.429	6
Linn-Benton	..	5	9	.357	7
Swallow	.....	4	10	.286	8
Portland	.....	0	14	.000	12

Men's Results

LINN-BENTON 75, UMPQUA 71
 UMPQUA (71): Conner 5-8 0-0 10, Wilson 2-0 6, Blakley 0-1 0-0 0, Leinonen, Kirkham 5-12, Adams 0-1 0-0 0, Torrey, Shipley 8-14 0-0, Scott 7-12 5-9 19, Lais 4-4 0-0 8. Totals: 31-65 71.
 LINN-BENTON (75): Roberts 3-9 4-4 10, ...
 ...
 CLACKAMAS 89, LINN-BENTON 84
 CLACKAMAS (89): Pearson 5-7 2-3 13, Bullock 1-3 0-2, Spencer 8-12 10-10 30, Hay 1-3 9-12 11, Valley 2-3 2-5 6, Hadley 7-12 5-5 20, Lassen 3-16, Beall 0-1 0-0 0. Totals: 27-46 28-35 89.

Men's Standings

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Clackamas	12	2	.857	2
Linn-Benton	..	6	8	.429	8
Hood	6	8	.429	8
Umpqua	6	8	.429	8
Swallow	5	9	.357	9
Oregon	.....	5	9	.357	9
Portland	.....	2	12	.143	12

Schedule

Thursday, Feb. 22
 Clackamas

Men win, while women lose against Timber people

Roadrunner men keep playoff hopes alive with win over Umpqua, but women fall 87-83

by C. Sandoval of The Commuter

The men's and women's basketball teams both hoped to establish themselves as playoff contenders when they played host to the Umpqua squads last Wednesday night, but only the men managed to pull it off.

The women fell short, giving up a 13-point lead in the second-half to lose a close one to the Timberwomen 87-83. The men, however, survived a second-half scare from the Umpqua men to escape with a 75-71 victory.

The Linn-Benton women's team came out strong, playing hard-nose ball. The

game was physical throughout, but the Roadrunners held the upper hand as Umpqua saw leading scorer Angela Burgess sit on the bench for most of the first-half with foul trouble.

Linn-Benton dominated most of the first-half and led 50-37 at halftime.

In the second-half, the Timberwomen came out of the gates strong and put away the Roadrunners, but not until holding off a late LB rally.

"We came out sluggish in the second half," complained Jessica Sprenger. She had the task of matching up against the bigger and stronger Burgess, who led Umpqua with 19 points, most of them in the second half.

Despite the loss, the Roadrunners had a good showing from Melissa Olson, who lead the team with 27 points and nine rebounds. Sprenger contributed 19

points of her own.

The men also came out strong at the beginning of their game, leading at half-time by 13 points, 53-40. They almost gave the game away in the second half, however, letting the Timbermen crawl back into it and get as close as three before sealing it.

Both teams played sloppy at times, turning the ball over 15 times each. Linn-Benton shot well from the field, hitting over 50 percent, but almost lost the game at the charity line, where they made only 10 out of 25 shots.

Five Roadrunner players scored in double-digits. Once again, Chris Swallow led the bunch with 20 points. The other four players where Kyle Wonderly with 13, Mike Graves added 11, and Steve Roberts and Chris Clark, who threw in 10 of their own.

Fly fishing option for those who enjoy the open river

by Bill Jones of The Commuter

The sun never reached the bottom of the narrow canyon to warm the icy waters of the south fork of the Alsea river as they swirled around the neoprene-clad legs of fly fishing instructor Ralph Glazier.

For over five years now, Glazier has been teaching both fly tying and fly fishing courses at LBCC.

Currently Glazier is teaching winter fly fishing for trout and steelhead on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Topics covered include: necessary equipment, fish species, techniques for both streams and lakes and aquatic entomology.

"I try to take a complex topic and keep the whole focus of the class simple," said Glazier. "The techniques do work, and if someone comes in and takes the class, they'll be better prepared for their next fishing trip."

When he started fishing in 1960, Glazier caught his first trout. Since that time, he has fished as far south as Dana Point, California, for mackerel and barracuda and as far north as Vancouver Island, British Columbia, for salmon. In addition to this, he has also fished for a variety of species in Idaho, Montana and Washington.

For the past three years Glazier has been working as a professionally licensed guide. However, he had been showing friends and family members how to fly fish for 10 years before he started guiding.

"I like to teach people how to do something they've never done before, it gives me a real sense of accomplishment,"

—Ralph Glazier

"I like to teach people how to do something they've never done before, it gives me a real sense of accomplishment," said Glazier. "I'm just as excited as the person catching the fish."

Glazier also operates a small retail fly fishing store and guide service in Alsea. He has written two articles for "Fish Sniffers," a California based fly fishing magazine, and recently, he was invited back to the Northwest Fly Tyers

Expo in Eugene.

The Expo, with participation by invitation only, features some of the best fly tyers in the region. This year's Expo will be held Saturday March 16 in the Wheeler Pavilion at the Lane County Fairgrounds, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Spring term Glazier will again be teaching both fly fishing and fly tying at LBCC. The classes begin the first week of spring term and run for six weeks. The fishing class will include at least one field trip for either steelhead or trout. For more information you can call Glazier at 487-7310.

"I remember many times, long ago, trout rising to small 'bugs' on a lake next to Southwestern Oregon Community College. I believe I was around 13 to 14 years old. Well, it didn't take me long to collect this bug and go down to a small fishing store and purchase some black dry flies. Once I tied the flies on and cast them out on the lake I was catching more trout. Now I fly fish all the time, occasionally remembering that first evening on Empire Lakes next to S.W.O.C.C."

PAUL TURNER

The U.S. War on Drugs evokes more questions than answers

It's been said that an acre of hemp produces almost as much paper as an acre of timber—but the hemp can be cultivated every four months, whereas the timber takes 20 years before harvest. It makes me wonder why we are not growing lots and lots of hemp so we don't have to be shaving all those trees from the face of the planet.

I guess the short answer is, hemp is illegal. It has been over 60 years since marijuana became an underground commodity, so what have we learned?

Well, for one, making pot illegal was like chasing away ants with honey. People still flock to marijuana. So, making it illegal served to do nothing except to drive the price up and give the Drug Enforcement Agency something to chase after between cocaine busts.

Yeah, but is it harmful? Is it really a gateway drug that leads to harder drugs? Do people become addicted to dope?

Depending on who you talk to, the jury's still out on all of these questions. But, if this is the criterion to determine the badness of a particular substance, does this criterion apply to all substances? Something there isn't much debate about is that booze and cigarettes are harmful and addictive. You will find damn few heroin addicts that haven't done alcohol. Does that mean alcohol leads to heroin use?

And the argument rages on. It's like the abortion issue—both sides are convinced they hold the key of knowledge, which isolates them from the other side.

The Albany Democrat Herald blows in a USA Weekend supplement every weekend. The Feb. 16-18 issue has splashed across its cover, "Why more kids are into pot." Oh goody. Someone else who thinks they hold the key of knowledge.

It should be obvious that I hold the key to knowledge.

The article starts with the expected horror story of someone whose life was smoked by marijuana. Then it goes into how our culture has decriminalized pot, even if the laws have not. Pasted about the pages are photos of dope culture—everything from teens buying dope pipes to the Adidas "Hemp" shoe. They say these are the things that tell youth it's OK to dabble with the killer-weed.



The article also quotes former drug czar Lee Brown saying that hemp is just another word for marijuana. Not so, bozo.

For centuries we have been using hemp rope and other hemp fiber materials. Long before smoking marijuana crept into our American party habits, hemp was grown for textile uses. Hemp is the fiber, marijuana is the leaf or bud that is inebriating. These are two different things. Hemp can be grown without producing marijuana. Plants grown exclusively for hemp do not have enough psychedelic ingredient to get my kid's gerbil high. But, in this country, we cannot even grow hemp. So that means we cut trees.

Is the existence of the Adidas "hemp" shoe and TV and songs glamorizing pot the reason kids are into pot? Will the prevalence of hemp products make the more intoxicating aspect of the cannabis plant more palatable?

Beats me.

But, if I were to take a stab at why kids (however the term is defined) are still blazing up, I'd have to look at the reasons why they should not. We have all these government studies on how pot lobotomizes youth. We have the good ol' War on Drugs—which makes drug use a dandy way to end up busted. Why, oh why, would anyone want to mess with such a thing?

Look at who is telling kids not to blaze up. The same people whose stamp can be found on every "legal" pack of cigarettes and bottle of spirits. Our very own government! That kind'a takes the punch outta somethin': "Son or daughter, don't touch that demon weed. It'll kill ya. Hey, I gotta run. Pass me my smokes, I gotta meet the guys at the bar."

Hypocrisy is something kids notice, no matter how much we tell them not to.

How many families do we know that have been ruined by alcoholism? Someone once told me about 1,000 people a day die from cigarette-related illnesses. These are two drugs the government regulates. But, we are not supposed to notice this when we hear stories of marijuana use—which reinforces the continuation of the War on Drugs. If we want to stop kids from playing with ANY drugs, we need to have our government condemn ALL drugs—not just with words, but in practice.

Also, we as a people need to define what a drug is. Hemp fiber is not even close to the classic definition of what is a drug—though it is closely related to some-

thing that is. Does this close relationship warrant illegality? The government thinks so. I think I'll beer and think about that one.

While I ponder what a drug is, I'll ponder makes money from drugs, or more specifically, the War on Drugs. There is a war on drugs that is waging on schools. It includes DARE (Drug Awareness Research Education). Some particular gems my kids have brought home from their DARE officer include: people died from one puff of a marijuana cigarette, and a booklet "Marijuana: What It Is and What It Means." Whatever that means. The kids exposed to the resistance program will grow up willing to pay the continuing tab for the War on Drugs. Some feel the war is being waged against Americans through the DARE program. Then again, the DARE program might keep kids from taking the drug leap. But, what's the point?

During a recent small-town parade, the DARE officers rode down the street in their shiny, hot pickup trucks and their spiffy speed boat. Someone yelled, "Who's going to confiscate the boat from?" Yes, kids, it's true. The DARE enforcement agencies do get to keep the booty from the War on Drugs. CNN Presents recently did a report on a 71-year-old man who lost his home to the DEA because they took it and made it theirs BEFORE there was a conviction. Oops. Too bad he grew some pot to help with his wife's cancer symptoms. He deserved it. Right?

So what might get "kids" to cut back on substance abuse? I guess I really don't hold the key of knowledge after all. But, suppose some of the money went to exploring the reasons WHY the MAJORITY of our society does daily doses of everything from caffeine to heroin? Suppose we start telling the truth: ALL drugs will eventually screw you up, whether or not, taxed by the government or not. Exaggerating the effects of the illegal ones doesn't do any long-term good. Truth has a funny way of eventually reaching the ugly head and discrediting the messenger.

Speaking of long-term, suppose the drug war included hemp, which could provide more solutions than problems? Some problems we know how to solve. We all know how to report a crack house. But many of us know what to do when a loved one is disturbed they might end up at a crack house? Long-term solutions do not come with a search for the continued use of timber to make the paper on which this is printed. I'd bet solutions lie with what's best for planet and people.

classifieds

SCHOLARSHIPS

'96 Eligible Oregon residents who plan to major in Journalism in any 2 or 4 year public or private institution may apply for scholarships given by Broadcast Journalism at Oregon Community Foundation. Info available at Career Center. Deadline to apply is March 1.

Kaiser Permanente announces scholarships available to full-time students enrolled in the Dental Assistant Program. Deadline to apply is March 1, 1996. Applications are available in the Career Center.

Attention transfer students in Early Childhood Education. OAEYC announces 1996 grants in various amounts for Oregon residents pursuing a degree/career in Early Childhood Education. Deadline to apply is March 1, 1996. Applications are available in the Career Center.

'96 Ford Family Foundation Scholarship. 100 scholars are selected. Students who have completed or are completing an associate degree in preparation to transfer to a baccalaureate degree-granting college or university. Pick up application from the Career Center in Takena for a list of requirements. Deadline to apply is March 1.

'96 Scholarships available for students in manufacturing engineering, industrial technology or other manufacturing related program. Must be full-time students, have completed 30 cr. hrs with a 3.5 GPA. Apps available in the Career Center in Takena Hall. Deadline to apply is March 1.

Transfer student to OSU or Eastern Oregon State College with interest in agriculture sciences are eligible to apply for scholarships of \$1000 to \$2000. Apps are available in the

Career Center in Takena Hall. Deadline to apply is March 15.

Land O' Lakes Inc. will award 75 \$1,000 post secondary scholarships to students pursuing degrees in agriculture or food-related fields. Applicants must be enrolled or planning to enroll full-time in an undergraduate degree program. Apps are available in the Career Center. Deadline to apply is March 15.

OreALS Scholarship available to a person furthering a career in a legal support staff position. Award could be up to \$1200. Deadline is March 22, 1996. Applications are available in the Career Center.

Women over the age of 25 years from Benton County who will be attending Oregon State Fall of 1996. Each award is for \$1200. Deadline: March 31, 1996. Applications are available in the Career Center.

'96 Leslie S. Parker Memorial Scholarships awarded to female Oregon Transfer students who are Oregon residents with at least two years of satisfactory college work. Applications available in the Career Center. Deadline to apply is April 1.

NAWIC scholarships are available whose major is construction, construction management, architecture, civil, mechanical or electrical engineering for 1996-97 year. Applications are available in the Career Center.

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Summer job listing: Oregon- City of Lake Oswego Parks and Recreation; Mt. Hood Kiwanas Camp; Westwind Summer Camp (YMCA), Portland; Crater Lake and Oregon Caves. United States- Alaska Wildland Adventures; Keystone Resorts, Colorado; Rocky Mountain Park Company, TW Recreational Services, Inc. for Keystone and Yellowstone National Park. Applications and info available in the Career Center.

Looking for work? Visit the LBCC Student Employment Center located on the first floor of Takena Hall in the Career Center. Part-time, full-time, temporary and permanent positions are available. For a complete listing, visit our office or call our job hotline at 917-4798. If you are eligible for the Federal Work Study through Financial Aid, jobs are still available: child care, food service, print shop, library aide, Lebanon Center instructional lab aide, RSVP data entry assistant, social science aide, math lab clerical aide, ABE/GED clerical aide and office aide in Financial Aid Office. Check with the Financial Aid Office if you are eligible for the Federal Work Study Program.

FOR SALE

Singer Super Compact Vacuum cleaner. Nearly new, \$20. Call 745-5628 in the evenings.

George's Myths

For a historical figure, George Washington has inspired many myths. Here are a few:

Chopped down a cherry tree. Maybe Washington couldn't lie, but could Mason Weems' cherry tree tale be traced to Washington's 1800 biography of Washington? The book is full of tales considered questionable by historians.

Threw silver dollar across Washington's step-grandson's face. In his memoirs that, as a young man, Washington had been so nervous enough to throw a piece of silver the size of a dollar a couple of hundred yards across the Rappahannock River. There's no proof he actually did it, though.

Had wooden teeth. Washington did have uncomfortable dentures. But they were likely made of ivory and other materials, not wood. Toothwork may account for the look Washington wears in the famous "unfinished portrait" by Gilbert Stuart.

Stood up on a boat. Standing on a boat—as Washington is shown in a famous patriotic cartoon—was never considered sound military strategy, or even safe. The painter Emanuel Leutze with his "The Great Escape" painting has a tic license.

Source: Mt. Vernon, home of George Washington.

OPINION PAGE

commentary

Why the hate commission
threatens free speech

Jack Bootsma
The Commuter

Two weeks ago a letter appeared by Mr. Jack Bootsma, editor of the Daily Barometer, that many of you may have read. In that letter Jack took issue with my position on the President's Commission on Hate-Related Activities at OSU, and his October "Proclamation on Hate." He referred to a Nov. 8 column that I wrote.

Perhaps you may have been confused or just didn't know what we were debating. I think, as a journalist, the first objective must always be to inform the reader. So allow me to summarize as succinctly as possible the events which led up to the current discourse.

Timeline: May 1994, Queer Pride Week at OSU. On that day night the "participants" had camped out as they had every night that week, in the Memorial Union quad. According to the Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Alliance, they heard shots fired from the tent, heard "queers" muttered and saw two individuals running away.

The next day the Oregon State Police found NO evidence of any kind, no firecrackers, no empty shells, no powder burns of any kind. So it makes no sense to wonder: Did this incident actually occur?

It didn't matter to OSU, just the accusation was enough to create the Commission on Hate-Related Activities, now known as the Presidents Commission on Hate-Related Activities. The commission is stingily enforced discriminatory quotas on membership. The article in the Barometer stated "in order for the commission to be balanced, a member of every minority group was required. Now, maybe I am crazy, but isn't it just as important to say that white people, who were not mentioned as required, cannot understand hate? I stayed quiet until October of 1995, when the PCHRA issued its "Proclamation on Hate" in conjunction with the City of Corvallis. Within the proclamation it declared "inflammatory language" as "hate-related activity." I wrote a lengthy explanation of why I thought that this violated a fundamental mental right, that of Free Speech.

In response, Jack Josewski, who sits on the commission, wrote his now famous attack on my ability, blasting me as a Neo-Nazi and the reason why such a commission is necessary.

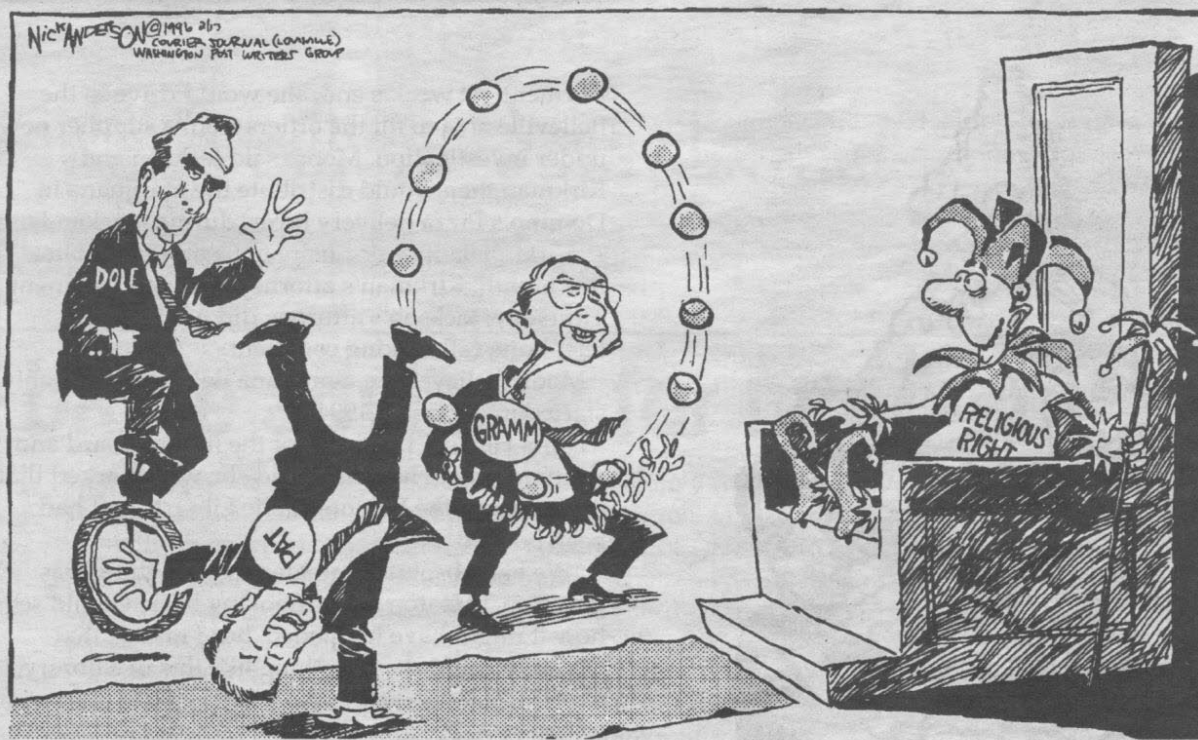
Now I feel it is time to reiterate why the PCHRA's proclamation is dangerous to our liberties. As I stated above, the proclamation declares "inflammatory language" as being hate activity. I would like to clarify the definition of "inflammatory." It means: Anything that "excites anger, passion, or disorder." One would even say that calling someone a Neo-Nazi is "inflammatory." I can't think of a worse choice of wording than "inflammatory" to use when dealing with an act such as speech. Jack laughed at me for citing the Orwell concerning thought-crime, but I think Jack understands Orwell.

Well, I believed that in the precise usage of the word, relativism can lead to tyranny. If we make "inflammatory speech" a hate crime, what are the powers that be from stamping out a few political irritants?

Remember this: OSU President Risser says a proper affirmative action is "disorderly" and "inflammatory," he then charges all participants with a hate-crime and kicks them off campus. It happened at U of Penn for a guy yelling "shut up water buffalo." Only public outcry prevented the obvious hater from being expelled.

The challenge still stands, and I wonder what will someone reporting on a commission they themselves sit on? Responsible journalism or content interest, with a dash of propaganda?

Jack may pretend to defend free speech liberally when it comes down to it, he can't help censor those he disagrees with. Jack is a member of the PCHRA, and he censored me with his power over the Barometer. What makes you think he won't censor you with the new powers given in the PCHRA?



letter

Students: Please keep
your phlegm to yourselves

To the editor:

I walk out of Takena Hall on the 2nd floor and head toward the Learning Center. Just ahead of me, standing next to the edge overlooking the courtyard, are some guys talking. I don't pay much attention to them until I see one of them turn slightly away from the others and spit on the sidewalk in front of me.

For him, this appears to be a completely acceptable and natural act. To me, it was disgusting and inappropriate.

Unfortunately, this was not an isolated incident. Everyday on campus my fellow students and I are subjected to seeing or hearing someone spit, or are forced to walk around their mess. As a student at LBCC I am irritated that the students doing the spitting are not concerned about the effect their actions have on the rest of us.

Peggy Preston, Director of Infection Control at Lebanon Community Hospital, has confirmed that spitting is a definite health hazard. Hepatitis B can be carried

and transmitted through saliva, and other blood borne diseases can be transmitted through saliva as well. All people are able to transmit some disease. In addition to the Hepatitis B virus which is not easily killed, the Hepatitis C virus may also be present in saliva.

Some tobacco chewers on campus show some concern and carry a cup with them so they can avoid spitting in the drinking fountains or on the sidewalks.

I have spoken with many students, male and female, on this subject, and there is a great concern about the situation and a unanimous opinion that it is disgusting.

I wonder why there has not been any action taken to stop this problem. When I say disgusting I am referring to the noise made in the throat prior to spitting and also to having to watch this goey mass land on the ground in front of me. It is a health problem that the officials at LBCC should take a stand on.

Occasionally students bring their children to school with them. As adults attending a place of higher learning it should be our responsibility to try to set good examples for these children. Teaching them that it is OK to spit on the sidewalks is not being responsible.

Spitting in public places, such as on the sidewalks and stairs on campus should not be allowed!

Alanna Claymore

commentary

What they say when the votes go the other way

WASHINGTON (AP) For fallen presidential candidates, the exit lines are the hard ones, epitaphs of ambition, spoken through gritted smiles by losers conceding the rejection that haunts any politician.

So it was for Sen. Phil Gramm, a \$20 million presidential campaigner now relegated to running for re-election in Texas. "I have taken a licking in this race and I am eager to get back into that race," he said in becoming the third man out of the 1996 Republican field.

In a general election, one candidate wins, one loses and concedes. In a contest for presidential nomination, it is multiple choice, and Gramm was No. 5 in the Iowa Republican caucuses Monday night. None but the brain dead could miss that message, he acknowledged.

It was his second defeat; a week earlier Pat Buchanan had upset him in Louisiana's preview caucuses.

"I am today ending my campaign for president of the United States," Gramm said Wednesday to the forlorn cheers of supporters in a crowded Senate hearing room. "When the voter speaks, I listen, especially when the voter is saying someone else's name."

But the political ego that sends a man into presidential competition does not concede it at that; Gramm went on to say that he still believes he was the best candidate the Republicans could have chosen.

"My problem was an inability to convince voters that I was right," he said, diagnosing the affliction of all defeated competitors.

Gramm was the third man out of the 1996 GOP field, the best-financed and, by his account, in the black when he quit. The other two, California Gov. Pete Wilson and the longer-shot Sen. Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania, both said they couldn't afford to keep going, and dropped out before the competition began.

"There should be no tears, as much as your hearts and

mine tell me to fight on," Wilson said when he withdrew. "No excuses, no regrets," Specter said at his departure.

But no one who puts himself through the rigors of a modern presidential campaign can withstand early defeat unscathed by at least some of the above. They just don't admit it.

Both have now endorsed Dole for the nomination. Gramm said he was not ready to endorse anyone, but he's likely to join the Dole camp, too. He had nettled Dole while they were campaign rivals, but Gramm said his mission now will be in the Senate and aligning with the Republican majority leader will serve that purpose. Dole telephoned Gramm to wish him well.

Gramm had raised more campaign money than any other Dole rival, and spent more. He won a projected 10 delegates in his two caucus defeats. Hardly cost effective, but better, at least, than John B. Connally, who spent about \$10 million and got one delegate before quitting the 1980 race. Connally hedged his dropout enough to say that there might be a miracle that would put him back into competition. There was none, of course; Ronald Reagan was the nominee.

Buchanan, incidentally, was part of the Nixon campaign team that year, basic training for his candidacy now, as was his challenge to George Bush in 1992. He never won a primary against Bush, but his 37 percent share of the New Hampshire primary vote was an early embarrassment to the president, and Buchanan kept going all season, determined to get a prime time slot at the Republican National Convention. He did, only then endorsing Bush, in a speech that played to the GOP right, talking of "a religious war ... a cultural war" for the values and soul of America. It was no help to the ticket.



Be afraid to take a walk down Sesame Street

DEDHAM, Mass. (AP)—A teenager who led an attack on a man dressed as the Sesame Street character Big Bird has been sentenced to a year in jail.

Phillip Spera, 18, of Braintree, pleaded guilty to assaulting Wayne Quinn at the Morrison School playground in Braintree in April.

In addition to his jail time, Superior Court Judge Wendie Gershengorn ordered Spera to undergo alcohol counseling and pay an undetermined amount of restitution.

Quinn was attacked after entertaining a group of children in his Big Bird costume at a birthday party April 22. A group of teenagers playing softball taunted and shouted obscenities at him then beat and kicked him in a scene captured on home videotape.

Two other youths, a 19-year-old and a 16-year-old, are awaiting trial. Charges against two 20-year-old men suspected in the attack were dropped.

Spera was charged with leading the group.

Domino's is pizza plus a whole lot more

BENTON, Ill. (AP)—For more than a year, teens wanting a delivery of marijuana knew they could rely on their local Domino's Pizza here, police say.

A part-time librarian and a Domino's night manager have been charged with using their jobs to front their more lucrative business of selling pot.

"The joke is that in most towns, Domino's pizzas have 12 toppings. Here they have 13," Franklin County sheriff's investigator J.R. Moore said.

Moore, who participated in a five-month investigation that led to two grand jury indictments last month, on Thursday said more charges could come after the grand jury reconvenes today. Moore said neither the Domino's franchise owner nor library personnel knew of the alleged activities.

The franchise owner has been active in an anti-drug program and "was totally in the dark" about the marijuana deliveries, Moore said.

Part-time Benton librarian Ella J. Jackson, 25, and the local Domino's Pizza night shift manager, Korby E. Kirkman, 20, were indicted Jan. 12 on calculated criminal cannabis conspiracy charges.

"This was a big source for people here in the 16- to 21-years-old crowd," Moore said. "Most of the customers are basically pretty good kids who've never been in trouble before. You mention jail to them, and they start crying."

Authorities say the unusual delivery system in this Southern Illinois town of 7,216 people worked like this:

Customers would visit or phone Jackson at the library and give her marijuana orders and advance

payment. At week's end, she would drive to the Belleville area to fill the orders from a supplier now under investigation. Moore said Jackson and Kirkman then would distribute the marijuana in Domino's Pizza delivery boxes during weekends.

Kirkman and Jackson are to be arraigned later this month. Kirkman's attorney declined comment Thursday; Jackson's attorney did not return a telephone call seeking comment.

Moore believes the marijuana deliveries probably started in the fall of 1994.

Doris Heaton, president of the library board and a retired school librarian, said she was shocked that a member of the Benton Public Library staff had been booked.

"We had absolutely no idea that anything was going on," Heaton said. "Looking back, I could see how it might have happened, but I'm hurt that anybody could do something like this in a library."



90s headhunter claims 161-year-old skull

LONDON (AP)—A South African tribal chief searching for the head of a relative slain in battle in Scotland last century said Thursday that its absence explains much of the crime and inter-tribal violence besetting his country.

Nicholas Tilana Galeka, chief of the Galeka tribe, who arrived in London on Thursday, said he believes the head of his great-great uncle, Chief Hintsisa, lies near the Scottish headquarters of the army regiment that killed him 161 years ago.

"We are here for the remains of King Hintsisa who was beheaded by British troops on 12 May, 1835," Chief Galeka shouted at an impromptu press conference at Heathrow airport.

Dressed in leopard skins, a short red skirt and a red cloak, he then climbed into a limousine to begin his search, which will take him to London's Natural

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After the fiasco with the lead weights, Sir Isaac Newton finally chose to test gravity with the apple.

History Museum and Fort George, near Invernorthern Scotland.

"All the corruption and all the crime and the country (South Africa) is because of Hintsisa," Chief Galeka was quoted by The Independent newspaper as saying.

"Hintsisa's spirit has got no head ... by bringing back this head and burying it with his body, we be closing the door on the devil in South Africa."

Chief Galeka says he has dreamed of a Scotland where the head is hidden, and will retrieve it when he gets there.

George Southey, a military guide with the Highland Regiments, shot Chief Hintsisa after he tried to escape capture during the Sixth Frontier War in the eastern cape.

The troops left Hintsisa's body behind for collection by Galeka tribesmen, who are members of the Xhosa nation.

Galeka oral tradition has it that Hintsisa was mortally wounded by the first shot and that he begged for mercy as Southey shot him in the back. When Hintsisa was found, the tradition says, he was headless.

The Galeka presumed the regiment had taken the head back to Scotland, although military historians say there is no record of it arriving in Britain.

There are, however, precedents for the heads of other parts of Africans slain in combat being taken to Britain. Researchers reportedly recently uncovered seven well-preserved heads of South African men in the Museum of Natural History's basement.

The Independent newspaper last week reported that officers at the Highland Regiments in Fort George had searched for Hintsisa's head and turned up nothing, but that Chief Galeka was well served to look himself.



City fathers shoot down the moon in statue

PASCO, Wash. (AP)—A nude sculpture has been removed from City Hall after numerous complaints.

The bronze sculpture -titled "To the Democratic Republics and Bipartisanship"—depicts a woman mooning her audience.

The sculpture was removed Thursday despite the artist's claim of censorship.

Artist Sharon Rupp of Kennewick demanded that city officials put a bag over the piece with a sign that said "Censored by City Hall."

But city officials refused. Instead, they removed all three of Rupp's sculptures and will leave the display case empty for now.

"It's a city hall, not a gallery," said Kurt L. Crutchfield, assistant to City Manager Gary Crutchfield. "The city's intent to create controversy or create what's-behind-the-bag interest."

Rupp said she was upset about the sculpture's removal because she didn't ask to display it in the first place.

The Mid-Columbia Arts Council asked her to participate in the rotating exhibit it oversees at City Hall, she said. Once the sculpture was on display, taking it down became a free speech issue for her.

"If I was being censored, I wanted to be heard about it," she said.

The city pays the arts council \$2,000 a year for the exhibit, which changes every three months.