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Hwy 34 crash claims one life

By Patricia MacDougall
Of The Commuter Staff

One woman is dead and another in critical condition as the result of an early morning two-car collision last Thursday.

The deceased, Luann K. Campbell, was driving east-bound on Highway 34 at approximately 7:50 a.m. when her car hit an oncoming vehicle after straying into the median strip. Art Martinak, Linn County Sheriff, reported that Campbell was probably passing another car which forced her out of her lane when she lost control.

Campbell, 34, of 1835 Franklin St. in Lebanon, was pronounced dead on the scene, one mile west on Tangent.

The other driver, Suzanne M. Schmidt, 24, of 2130 N.W. Janssen St., No.9, Corvallis, is listed in critical condition in the surgical intensive care unit at Oregon Health Sciences University in Portland. She suffers from several fractures as well as multiple head, face and internal injuries.

Both drivers wore safety belts and neither carried passengers.

Dale Schaffner, a part-time LBCC student since 1981, eyewitnessed the accident. "It looked like the cars just molded together, they hit so hard." Schaffner, who was traveling roughly 150 yards behind Schmidt's car when the crash occurred, said Schmidt passed him a few minutes before the incident. "I was doing about 60 m.p.h., and she passed me easily," he said.

Following the collision Schaffner pulled over to assist. He said Campbell's car had a fire under the hood, but did not explode. Both drivers appeared unconscious. Other motorists stopped to help, and a man Schaffner could not identify called the paramedics on a citizen's band radio.

Campbell is survived by two children and her husband, Robert. L. Campbell, Lebanon.

Martinak, whose department is investigating the accident, characterized the commuting traffic on that stretch of Highway 34 as "very heavy." He said traffic bottlenecks frequently from the Tangent intersection back to the Looney Lane turnoff and added that it "carries alot more traffic than it was ever designed to."

Martinak mentioned that the state highway department plans to eventually extend the four-lane artery from Central Valley Adventist School to Interstate 5.



The Commuter/RANDY WRIGHTHOUSE

Workmen descend into pit near Oak Creek to fix broken main.

Broken water main closes campus

Sanitation dangers prompt Monday afternoon shutdown

By Mathew Rasmussen
Of The Commuter Staff

Late afternoon and evening classes were cancelled Monday as a result of a ruptured water main that paralyzed LBCC and everything south of 37th street in southwest Albany.

Crews from the Albany Water District and State Highway Divisions worked alongside private contractors into the early morning Tuesday to replace the cast iron pipe severed by contractors working on a new bridge.

According to Albany Water Supervisor Tom Ziomek, general contractors from Douglas S. Coats Contracting broke the water main where Pacific Boulevard crosses Oak Creek around 9:30 in the morning.

"The contractors were driving pilings for the new bridges," said Ziomek, "and they wanted to dig up the main so they could miss it with the pilings because they knew they were close. This is really a rare occurrence."

Without water, LBCC students went home early as President Tom Gonzales was forced to close the campus at 3 p.m.

Students were without showers in the Activity Center much of the day, upper level restrooms all across campus were closed after 2 p.m., and a sanitation company from Albany was called in to sanitize restroom on the lower levels.

"We called in Best Pots to clean out the toilets," Facilities Director Ray Jean said, "then we had them sanitize the stalls and the walls as well as the sinks."

Best Pot employees worked alongside LBCC employees, who had underestimated the use of restrooms on campus. After the school closed, restrooms were cleaned and locked until water was restored.

Officials had planned to open the repaired main at 5

p.m. on Monday, but according to Edna Campau, Public Works Administrative Assistant, several problems delayed completion until well after midnight.

"First of all," said Campau, "the break was in the bottom of Oak Creek, making it hard to get to. And secondly, we didn't have the right type of couplings—we had the right size, but not the right type."

The pipe itself was an 18-inch diameter, cast iron pipe through which 8,000 gallons of water passed every minute.

Campau said a crew was dispatched to Lake Oswego to obtain the proper couplings. At roughly the same time, excavating machinery was no longer effective so digging continued by hand for several hours.

By 9 p.m. the city believed the problem was solved and the main was opened. A new leak was discovered and it was announced that the new pipe would have to be extended.

Shortly after secondary repairs were complete the line was opened a second time. At this point the weakened bank surrounding the work pit collapsed, forcing trapped surface water into the air. Workmen immediately thought the line had broken again and at midnight the main was closed for the third time.

Again the crews dug out the buried water line. Finding it intact they sanitized it and opened the main for the third time around 2 a.m.

"We finally got water at 2:15 a.m.," said Facilities Director Ray Jean Tuesday morning, "It looks like we're underway this morning. We may have some wastebaskets

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Editorial

Accident serves as reminder to slow down on Hwy 34

The tragic events that took place last Thursday morning at 7:52 on Hwy. 34, just ¼-mile west of campus, will stay etched in the minds of those who witnessed the fatal accident as well as those who viewed the subsequent cleanup.

Everyone who saw that blanket covering a motionless body, or the hand that protruded from underneath, has the best reason in the world to slow down and buckle up.

Right about now you're saying this guy is sick! What right does he have to remind me of that grisley scene?

No pretty words will bring anyone back from the dead. Words are for the living and those who wish to remain so. I'm sorry if I've offended anyone so far, but I'll be even sorrier if you're the next person I see resting under a blanket in the middle of the road.

Highway 34 is a very busy road. Students from Lebanon, Sweet Home and most of Benton County use it every day to travel to and from LBCC and OSU. The highway is also used by commuters to access I-5 as well as points both east and west.

The road has been around for quite a while. Nobody in the Corvallis office of the State Highway Department could recall offhand when the stretch from Corvallis to Lake Creek had been widened, or even why the widening hadn't continued as far as I-5 or at least to Pacific Boulevard. One person speculated that the department probably just ran out of money.

Since the widening project the road has become an 11-mile stretch of modern highway. Four lanes of expressway with a chicken lane in the middle and breakdown lanes on either side—a road even the Germans could drive on. Miles of straight level road separated by gentle sloping corners that beg drivers to play Mario Andretti at Indianapolis. Until . . .

One mile after passing Oakville Road, drivers round one last sloping curve and prepare to enter the gauntlet. That's my name for the spot where two lanes of speeding traffic attempt to combine with one lane of oncoming traffic into a cramped two-lane country road. Add a few semi-trailers, two heavily traveled turnouts and no shoulder to speak of and you end up with one helluva mess.

At several peak times, 7:52 a.m. being one of them, drivers are in a rush to get to work or school and caution seems to be thrown to the wind.

One group of concerned citizens is already springing into action. On Monday morning I past three (3) State Police officers issuing citations and I don't think they were for littering. I saw another two cruising the opposite lane and on my way home that evening, I saw another one lurking in the shadows with his deadly radar gun.

Just the sight of any police car will usually slow all but the most ignorant drivers. That's their job. The sight of any accident, especially when a fatality is involved, will accomplish much the same—but at what cost.

With recent sanding and graveling of the roads, combined with morning and evening fog to limit visibility, one slip is all it can take. Recent events have proven that.

Next time you look at your watch and feel the need to "put the pedal to the metal," take a good look at your hand—and ask yourself "Do I feel lucky?"

Matt Rasmussen

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Razz & Chaz

From around the block, across the street, under back fence and right up your alley, this is the Narrow Gate of Sports Network bringing you the latest intramural competition.

Today's coverage is brought to you by the Global Foundation for the Dimly Aware and by "Wart-be-Gone," the most powerful ugly growth remover you can buy without a subscription.

The time: 6:60 p.m. The place: The north end of a basketball court, somewhere due south of the Wellness Trail. The event: Progressive new age gonzo half-court intramural basketball without pads.

The Flying Albinos, underdog team of the decade, battled in the last few seconds of irregularity playing time to hold their favored opponents to within three, defeating them 72-69.

Two of the more colorful Albino players, Razz and Chaz, made themselves readily available for comment in an interview after the game.

NGSN- "I've never seen such a display of confusion. What gives?"

CHAZ- "I'm sure the key to our success lies in our offense. We call him Tree. The rest of us run around in circles to confuse the defense."

RAZZ- "And if that doesn't work, those crazy flower print shorts Chaz wears to the games are sure to cause motor skill malfunction to anyone stupid enough to gaze upon them without polarized lenses."

NGSN- "So you use a lot of diversion tactics?"

RAZZ- "Well, sure I mean those other teams are in pretty good physical condition. We have to play smarter. That's why we bring a photographer."

CHAZ- "Yeah, it's all a psyche. Like Razz's famous "off the chin" jumper. Hey Razzle, you even made it look like a complete miracle from where I was standing."

NGSN- "Where were you standing?"

CHAZ- "On somebody's strap I guess. I was too astounded by Razz's poise as the ball struck him square in the face and he somehow flicked it to the bucket with his lower jaw."

RAZZ- "At least it went in, and it wasn't all to my credit. Chaz gave a great assist."

NGSN- "You mean when he sat on the ball until it popped out, smacked him in the nose, bounced once and biffed you on the chin?"



RAZZ- "Yeah, it was perfect."

CHAZ- "There were no refs so we had to call our own fouls. It's had to speak up though with a sneaker rammed up your nose."

NGSN- "I could not imagine. How will you protect yourselves from such a blatant outburst of intentional fouling in the future?"

RAZZ- "Guido."

CHAZ- "Seven foot five, likes to eat fresh meat."

NGSN- "Is this too a psyche?" The Albinos refused to comment.

Letters

State rep fights Semester system

To the Editor,

How many people are aware that the State Board of Higher Educa-

tion has ordered all seven state universities and colleges (OSU, OIT, etc.) to convert from the traditional school year of three terms to a two semester system starting in late August of 1989?

I appeared in person before the Board at its Dec. 18 meeting and requested that they call a halt to all semester conversion activity until June 30, 1989. There has been limited input accepted from faculty and students. No public hearings were held by the board. At the present time, I know that at least 31 legislators are in agreement with the request to postpone conversion activity.

The Chancellor's office has assured the Board and the Education Sub-committee of Ways and Means that there are no costs in-

involved in switching to semesters. That is a very flawed claim. There has to be tremendous expense involved, both in budget dollars, and in lost teaching time, as the Professors completely rewrite every course by this June.

Most community colleges are not planning to convert to the semester system for various reasons including costs. Yet the 1987 Legislature was assured that the conversion to semesters would only be done in cooperation with community colleges. The fall semester beginning in late August will have a

very adverse effect on students who need to earn their college money by working in tourism/recreation, agriculture/food processing, timber, and construction related activities. Not only will the students be adversely affected, so will the natural resource related businesses who have need of employees only for the summer season which extends beyond Labor Day.

The 11 members of the State Board of Higher Education should reconsider their position. There is

no conclusive evidence that changing to semesters will improve the quality of education. It will reduce by at least one-third the number of courses a student can take in a four year period. There will be complications and costs galore if the conversion is allowed to proceed.

If you are concerned about the change, or want more information, please write me at 27070 Irish Bend Loop, Halsey, OR 97348.

Liz VanLeeuwen
State Rep. District

Students urged to attend AIDS events

To the Editor,

AIDS Awareness Week on LBCC Campus will be Feb. 1-5. Many activities are planned to appeal to a variety of people. Hopefully our awareness will be raised so we can deal with the upcoming dilemma surrounding AIDS with compassion and understanding. Please join us.

Missy Black, RN
Instructor, LBCC

Speakers, contest highlight week of AIDS events

By Elwyn Price
Of The Commuter Staff

Posters, pamphlets, and presentations will be familiar sights on campus next week, Feb. 1-5 as AIDS Awareness Week gets under way.

The events, sponsored by a variety of campus organizations, to promote awareness and educate students about the dangers of AIDS.

Presentations will cover various AIDS related topics. Two presentations are scheduled for Monday. At noon in the Willamette Room, Dr. Harold Bass, an Albany physician specializing in gynecology, will discuss what the public needs to know about AIDS. Dr. Charles Terhune, a Corvallis Physician, will speak at 3 p.m. in Forum 113, on "AIDS Awareness for Health Care Workers." According to Student Programs Director Annie Gonzales, health occupations students are encouraged to attend this session.

On Thursday, Wellness Coordinator Dave Bakley will talk about responding to emergencies involving AIDS patients at noon and 12:30 p.m. in the Willamette Room.

A live teleconference on AIDS and drugs will be held in the Fireside Room on Thursday from 9 to 10:30 a.m..

Student Programs is sponsoring an AIDS poster contest. Prizes of \$50, \$25 and \$10 will be awarded for first, second and third place. Posters must be submitted by 5 p.m. of Friday, Feb. 5. For more information contact the Student Programs Office in CC-213.

Information tables will be set up in the Commons Lobby all week, and "Condomgrams" will be given away. The condoms were donated by the Linn and Benton County health departments.

AIDS information will also be posted in the Library display case, and a permanent file on AIDS information will be maintained in the library.

"Spill kits" will be distributed to faculty staff members. The kits have gloves, sponges and disinfectant to help deal with AIDS infected blood.

AIDS Information Week was organized by the the LBCC AIDS Task Force, the Wellness Committee, Prospective Registered Nurses (PRN), and students from the Honors Colloquium.

The cost to present AIDS Awareness Week was small because most of the time, money and material was donated. The rest of the expenses are covered by Student Programs.

Gonzales, chairperson of the LBCC AIDS Task Force, conducted a survey of 141 health students last spring. She said the results of this survey indicated to her that students have many misconceptions about AIDS.



The Commuter/DAVID GRUBBS

Denise Hudson, left, and Asenia McConnell take time to donate blood.

Blood Drive passes state average

By Dawn Dickinson
Of The Commuter Staff

Although blood donations are down state-wide, Wednesday's LBCC blood drive brought out about the same number of donors as last year.

Bess Bonfield, blood chairperson for the Linn County Red Cross, said that the average number of donations is down about 10 per bloodmobile.

"This year has really been a hard year," Bonfield said. She believes that numbers are down due to the lengthy screening process necessary because of AIDS. She says that people don't like to spend the time it takes to answer the screening questions.

Bonfield stresses that the questions are necessary and they are a federal law.

"We are using education in school and corporations as a means of reaching the public and educating them on aids and the blood donation process," Bonfield stated.

LBCC patrons, however, have risen to the occasion—106 pints were donated this year, which is about

the same as last year.

One donor, Terry Rand, a student in the water/wastewater program, said that experience with friends needing blood is what prompted him to donate. Rand has donated six times and says that he is a little nervous prior to donating, but that the experience itself is not unpleasant.

Jim Thomas, the student chairperson for the blood drive, added, "I think the stick in the finger is more uncomfortable than the actual donation." Thomas has donated 11 times.

Another student who donated blood is Dawn Marie Dickerson of the In-Home Care program.

She said that for her the experience is restful and that afterwards she feels great. A four-time donor herself, she recommends that everybody who can donate should do so.

Dickerson emphasized, "It makes you feel good about yourself."

Condoms given to students nationwide

By College Press Service

CHARLESTON, S.C. (CPS)—In what may well be the most radical campus AIDS policy yet adopted, The Citadel announced it will require all its applicants to undergo tests to see if they have the fatal immune system illness.

Applicants who test positive for the disease "most likely would be denied entrance to The Citadel," reported Dr. Joseph C. Franz, the military college's physician.

Cadets already enrolled can seek AIDS testing on their own or on a doctor's recommendation, Franz added. If a cadet is infected with the AIDS—short for acquired immune deficiency syndrome—virus, he will be subject to a mandatory medical evaluation and may be discharged if he develops AIDS.

A survey by the school newspaper, The Brigadier, indicated most cadets favor the policy.

The announcement came soon after other campuses throughout the country also struggled with questions raised by the AIDS epidemic during October, billed as national AIDS Awareness Month.

The University of Utah committee developing the school's AIDS policy said mandatory AIDS testing is no solution to the AIDS crisis. "We prefer, if testing is to be

done, that it be done on a voluntary, informed basis," said Evelyn Hartigan, a Utah health sciences center administrator and member of the committee.

- Central Missouri State University considered distributing coupons for free condoms during the school's Safer Sex Week, but nixed the idea. "Placing a coupon in the (safe sex information) packets might have offended some people, and it is of no educational value," said health center director Merle Charney. "We feel it was more important to educate people about condom usage rather than place the coupon in the packet."

- The University of Colorado decided to install condom machines in dormitories, although the move contradicts the school's housing policy that prohibits sex in the dorms.

- Students at the University of North Dakota grabbed up 6,000 condoms distributed with Safer Sex kits at an information booth in the student union.

- An AIDS education class at Ohio State has gotten mixed reviews from students because three videos shown to the class contain often-graphic sexual scenes. Some students also took offense because condoms were distributed to the class.

Half-million with AIDS virus will die of disease

By Mitch Martin
Of The Commuter Staff

Half a million Americans infected with the AIDS virus are expected to develop the disease and die, according to a world health official.

Dr. Robert Biggar, international AIDS coordinator for the National Institute of Health, presented a talk entitled "Bananas About Aids?" to a packed house at Wilkinson Auditorium in Corvallis last Thursday. Biggar, whose lecture was the last in a series of four sponsored by Oregon State University, switched his research specialty from cancer to AIDS research in 1981.

"Ninety-five percent of the people infected with the virus will have an abnormal immune system by the end of five years," predicted Biggar.

The best way for an uninfected person to avoid contracting AIDS through sexual contact is to engage in an exclusively monogamous relationship with another uninfected person, Biggar advised.

"If you're going to have sex, use a condom," Biggar said. "Condoms with Noxonyl-9 (spermicide) do an excellent job of destroying the virus."

Amnesty group fights for human rights world-wide

Local chapter screens apartheid film Feb.3; discussion to follow

By Patricia MacDougall
Of The Commuter Staff

Imagine you are wearing handcuffs that tighten as you move your hands.

Imagine they are fastened behind your back. Diagonally. One arm stretched over your shoulder and the other one under.

"It is quite a mild form of torture, but the effects are long-lasting and pressure builds up gradually. In the end it's as though they're going to pull your shoulders off, and you feel your ribs will crack."

Now picture that you are suspended from a hook on the wall with only the tips of your toes touching the ground.

"At first, of course, I took some of the weight on my toes to ease the pain on my shoulders. But my feet had just been beaten and they were swollen and very painful. Gradually, as my legs became tired, my body slumped down and the pressure on my shoulders began. This happens after only a few minutes."

This experience, reported by a former captive of Iran's Revolution Guards, is not an unusual one, according to Amnesty International. The world-wide non-profit organization says it hears many thousands of these accounts every year.

Since 1961, Amnesty International (AI) has combated all manner of human rights violations with massive letter-writing campaigns. AI works for the release of all prisoners of conscience, fair and prompt trials for all political prisoners, an end to torture, and the elimination of all executions—including capital punishments. In 1977, the organization received the Nobel Peace Prize for its efforts.

LBCC has had an Amnesty International chapter for the past two years. According to this year's head advisor, Beth Camp, the group currently has on its mailing list the names of 40 students, staff and area citizens.

The campus chapter will sponsor a film and discussion about apartheid on Wednesday, Feb. 3, in Forum 104. The one-hour documentary, "Last Grave at Dimbaza," will be shown free of charge at noon and again at 7 p.m. Shot secretly in South Africa during the 1970s, the film presents information about the socio-political and economic effects of apartheid. Through interviews of people living in several African reserves, the movie contrasts black and white communities, focusing on overcrowding, discrimination, employment, military status and civil unrest.

A discussion led by Leon Valk, a Fulbright Exchange Teacher from the Netherlands who currently teaches political science at LBCC, will follow the second screening. Valk, a member of the Anti-Apartheid Committee in the Netherlands, plans to discuss the global perspective



of apartheid and the responsibility of the international community. For more information call Beth Camp, 928-2361, ext. 208, or Charlene Fella at 928-2361, ext. 395.

Camp, who became an Amnesty International member earlier this year, writes an average of three letters per "Urgent Action" bulletin. The bulletins, which may be mailed to members several times a month, contains case histories of AI "adoptees." Members may send telegrams, telexes, express letters or airmail letters to the authorities specified on the bulletins.

"It's not unusual to have one in the United States," says Camp, referring to a recent flyer calling for action on behalf of a Florida man facing the electric chair for the sixth time. Amnesty International opposes the death penalty unconditionally, considering it arbitrary and an inappropriate punishment.

Camp related the emotional difficulty some people experience during writing campaigns by saying, "It's hard to get these (Urgent Action appeals). Most of us live in a very protected world and we don't like to think this goes on. But writing a letter can make a significant difference."

A British lawyer, Peter Beneson, began AI after reading about two Portuguese students who were arrested and sentenced to seven years in prison for raising their glasses in a toast to freedom.

Today, Amnesty International has more than 750,000 members in more than 160 countries. Amnesty USA has coordination groups (co-groups) covering all regions of the world. Co-groups are composed of experienced Amnesty members with knowledge of human rights issues in particular countries or regions. They report human rights violations to the AI research department in London, based on information received from contacts here and overseas, and from publications they monitor. Co-groups also work closely with local community and campus groups.

In June of 1986, there were roughly 250 college and high school campus groups operating across the country. To date this year there are 645 campus groups operating, 330 of which are on high school campuses.

Each month they receive "Student Action," a special newsletter that contains useful information and human rights work tips. High school members receive a different letter than college members and separate bulletins are produced for the five national regions of Amnesty USA.

Student groups aren't given specific cases because individual prisoner work often means correspondence that goes on for years and cannot be interrupted for school vacations. They do, however, take part in larger campaigns.

"At first, a lot of kids questioned what good letter-writing would do," says Debbie Mancuso, a Milbrae, Calif. high school advisor. "I tried to answer by telling them how embarrassing it must be for a government to know that a high school in California knew what they were doing, and how we were just part of a bigger group of people writing all over the world."

Prisoners of conscience adopted by volunteer groups are jailed because of their beliefs, color, sex, ethnic origin, language or religion. These people have not used or advocated violence, but many have either dissented from government policy or are related to a dissenter.

Concerned about the deportation and repatriation of political refugees, the organization assists prisoners of conscience in emigrating to other countries. While Amnesty is not a refugee organization, refoulement, or forced return of refugees, is of concern under the organization's mandate.

"Disappearances," first practiced in Latin American, are now occurring in such places as Morocco, Ethiopia, Sri Lanka, and Iraq. This tactic intimidates government opposition by kidnapping people who seemingly vanish without a trace. AI assigns groups who persist in inquiring about the missing persons whereabouts if there are reasonable grounds to believe that the victim has been taken into custody by the authorities.

AI also acts to bring about fair trials for all political prisoners. The organization may send lawyers to countries where trials aren't conducted according to international standards or suspects are held without charge.

From page one

Crews Restore water after all-night effort

that didn't get emptied or floors that didn't get vacuumed, but were open and that's the important thing."

Once water was restored on campus, Jean and maintenance crews worked on cleaning areas that were affected by the lack of water; kitchens, restrooms and labs with sinks. Jean then toured the campus removing closure signs and purging air from drinking fountains.

On Tuesday the only remaining effects of the water stoppage were in the Commons and Camas Room, According to Bob Miller, Auxilliary Services Director, there were no baked breads or pasteries as there was no water for the bakers the night before.

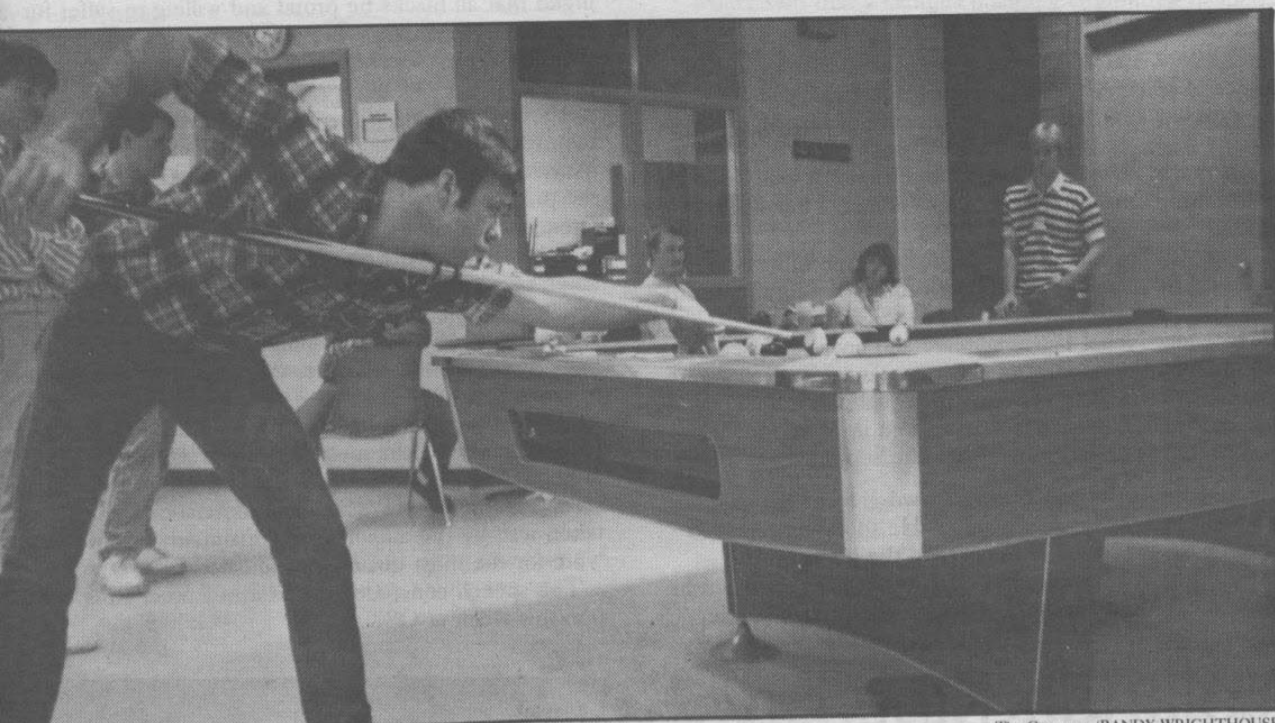
Neither the city, nor the school have come up with cost estimates as of yet.



Foul Ball

LBCC groundskeeper, Jim Camarata pulls a few nails while salvaging pieces of the home dug-out that was destroyed two weeks ago during freak winds. Baseball coach Greg Hawk is still pondering the options he has for replacing the dug-out.

Spotlight



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Side Pocket

Roger Hamilton sizes up the nineball during a recent ACUI tournament billiards match against Russell Redfern. Redfern won the

match. Tournament action included: billiards, bowling, darts, foosball, chess and backgammon. Winners of each section will advance to regional competition in Boise, Idaho.

Pizza King site of LBCC talent show

An informal celebration in honor of LBCC's 20th Anniversary will be highlighted by a talent show on Feb. 18 at Pizza King on the corner of Lyons and Third in downtown Albany. The festivities begin at 5:30 p.m.

Auditions for the talent show will be held on Feb. 3 between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. in the Willamette Room. Almost any type of act will be accepted as long as it is in good taste. Applicants are asked to keep it clean because of the "family" nature of the anticipated audience.

Anyone interested in entering should limit the length of

their act to an average of five minutes. Talents ranging from music to dance, and from juggling to comedy are welcome. Sign up for the auditions in CC218 or talk to Steve Hyre at the P.E. desk anytime before Feb. 3 at 1 p.m.

Everyone who participates will receive a prize of some kind, probably food. Winners will be awarded free pizza. Organizers for the celebration would like to see as many people attend the function as possible, whether they participate in the talent show or not.

Channel 8 airs visit to post-war Vietnam

Hanoi. Ho Chi Minh City. Da Nang.

The names of these Vietnamese cities have haunted many Americans over the past 15 years. But Vietnam has changed, and in a recent visit Channel 8 Reporter Tim Daly found that this once war-torn country has made a surprising comeback. The Vietnam of today is explored in "Return to Vietnam," a five-part series scheduled to air Feb. 1-5 on KGW-TV's "Channel 8 News at Five."

Part one of the series will explain why the welcome mat is out to Americans so soon after the war that devastated Vietnam. It is a younger country, and visitors from all countries are greeted heartily by those whose memories of the war have dimmed.

On Tuesday, Daly looks at tourism as a growth industry in Vietnam. This beautiful country has enjoyed a renewed popularity with tourists looking for a unique vacation spot or those wanting to return to work out problems relating to the war.

When visiting Vietnam, Daly was surprised to find very few signs of war. Tanks, trucks and airplanes have been torn apart for the scrap metal.

But for one Oregon veteran, Joe, visiting the recovered Vietnam doesn't erase his memory of war. In part three of "Return to Vietnam," viewers follow Joe as he tries to come to terms with memories that haunt him.

Vietnam's national focus used to be winning independence. But a growing economy has become the new center of attention. Vietnam is looking toward growth in business, trade, industry and tourism.

On Thursday, Daily explains why the country may not be as poor as it appears to be and finds out what role the United States can play in Vietnam's economic progress.

Country singer performs today

By Farris Beatty
Of The Commuter Staff

Have a little country with your coffee today when singer-songwriter Joni Harms plays in the Fireside Room.

Harms is the second performer showcased in the new entertainment series brought to you by the ASLBCC.

According to activities chairperson, Tami Paul, guitarist Eric Tingstad was greeted last week with a successful turnout of between 75-100 students. Having already established a reputation as a country artist, Harms should be no exception.

The blond blue-eyed Harms is a native Oregonian, born in Canby, who started performing at the age of four.

Once a Miss Rodeo U.S.A. finalist, Harms is on her way up in the world of country music. She has already recorded two albums of original material, titled "Thoughts of You" and "I Want To Sing For You." The former includes her song "Baby, You're My Blanket" which climbed the Canadian country charts to No. 2.

She has opened for some of the top names in country music, including Ricky Skaggs, Tommy Overstreet and George Strait.

Though fast becoming a star in her own right, Harms says if there is one thing she hopes her music accomplishes it's this: "If I can make people leave my show smiling and feeling life is not so bad and they are glad they came, then it is all worth it."

Ms. Harms will be performing in the Fireside Room today from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. There is no cost for admission, and that alone should leave you smiling.

Bowed beam found in Theatre ceiling

By Chuk Bacon
Of The Commuter Staff

Oversights in architectural design are responsible for a three inch bow in a forty foot steel support beam, on the east end of Tadena Hall's Mainstage Theater.

The beam supporting the stage backdrops has suffered a horizontal deflection as a result of the net vector load of the horizontal component, according to a letter from Tom Gonzales, prepared by George Kurtz, to the LBCC Board of Education. In other words, there is too much strain on the weakest section and the center of the structure is being pulled away from the wall.

Officials contend there is no immediate danger but the problem will not go away on its own. Steps must be taken in the next few years to reverse the damage, which to this point has only caused minor inconveniences. Danger might develop.

"A couple of the ropes are rubbing a little," said Technical Director David Apple, "and there's quite a bit of weight on them."

It is estimated the cost of the total job may approach \$8,000 if it is necessary to unload the backdrops and counterweights supported by the beam.

If it is determined that the deflection can be corrected and the beam secured without taking the load off, then the total job might be less than one half of the estimated maximum.

The engineer responsible for the original design, Bill Wilson is being consulted regarding the most cost-effective solution to the problem. He is expected to evaluate the situation on Friday and determine how the twenty-four inch I-beam with twelve inch bevels can best be "popped" back into place. Once the bend is corrected, a support can be welded to the beam to compensate for the miscalculation some ten years ago.

The letter recommends that the board authorize the president to contract for a cost-effective correction of the deflected beam, with authorization to transfer up to \$8,000 from the contingency fund to cover the cost of the job. The LBCC Board of Education has "OK'd" the transfer according to Kurtz.



Joni Harms, an up and coming country music star, will perform at 11:30 a.m. today in the Fireside Room. Admission is free as the concert is part of a new entertainment series sponsored by ASLBCC. Harms hails from Canby, Ore., and was once a Miss Rodeo USA finalist. Her hit single "Baby I'm Your Blanket" made it to No. 2 on the Canadian country charts.



Sun Break

The Commuter/RANDY WRIGHTHOUSE

Lorenza Chavarrin takes time to soak up some sun with a book during a rare lull from the usual fog and rain. Chavarrin is a freshman at OSU and taking transfer courses at LBCC. Foggy mornings are expected to continue through the week, with a chance of afternoon sun break-throughs.

Jim Carter hired to assist director of LB's Albany Center

Jim Carter of Brownsville has been hired as assistant to the director of LBCC's Albany Center. This part-time position is in addition to his job as Community Services Volunteer Coordinator for the Albany Parks and Recreation Office.

Carter said, "I enjoy being in a learning environment. I have been associated with community colleges for over 20 years. In fact, the first job I had was similar to what I'm doing now at LBCC; I've gone full circle. I am very proud that I began my college training with an associate degree from the College of the Redwoods in Eureka California."

Carter holds a bachelor's degree from Humboldt State College, Arcata, California. He earned his Master's in Adult Education from Oregon State University in June of this year.

Carter's wife, Sandy, is employed by Good Samaritan Hospital in Corvallis. Carter said that he moved his family to Oregon because he liked "the more natural, less crowded feeling" they found here.

LBCC's Albany Center is located in Takena Hall.

Abernathy commemorates King's death

By Chris Taylor
Of The Commuter Staff

The Rev. Ralph Abernathy brought the struggles and hopes of black America to Corvallis last week in a series of speeches commemorating the death of Dr. Martin Luther King.

Abernathy, a close colleague and friend of King, told an overflowing crowd in his final appearance Thursday about his fight to "save the dream."

"Make a choice, stand up for righteousness, or be a coward," he roared. "The dream cannot be forgotten until it is fulfilled."

Dr. King, Nobel Peace laureate and civil rights leader who moved the nation to legal acceptance of the doctrine that all citizens are endowed with equal political, social and economic rights, was assassinated in Memphis, Tennessee, on April 4, 1968, by a white supremacist.

The LaSells Stewart Center crowd greeted the reverend with a standing ovation. He spoke on troubles of the past, problems of today, and the hopes of the future. "I have no apologies. God was at his best when he made me," Abernathy told the appreciative crowd. He

Yolanda King says dream still elusive

By College Press Service

BOULDER, COLO.—Martin Luther King Jr.'s dream of racial equality hasn't come true, his daughter Yolanda King told 350 people at the University of Colorado a week before schools around the country prepared to celebrate Martin Luther King Day.

She blamed the "widening gulf between the haves and have-nots" in the United States.

But campus resistance to mark her father's birthday as a federal holiday seems to be disappearing.

When President Reagan authorized King's birthday as a federal holiday in 1983, some campuses didn't want to add a holiday to their tight schedules, with the debate peaking in 1986, the first year King's birthday was celebrated as a holiday.

Most of the calendar issues surrounding the slain civil rights leader's birthday have been settled, although at North Carolina State, for example, administrators provoked reactions by replacing an Easter Monday holiday with King's birthday.

Some students remain angry about the decision. James Jones, president of the N.C. State Interfraternity Council, said the school should celebrate both days. "King helped whites as well as blacks. Martin Luther King is important and his civil rights helped all minorities: women, handicapped, gays. His insight helped us all out."

urged that all blacks be proud and willing to suffer for their God-given rights. He added that when King was slain the dream was not, and that it is up to "you and I" to fulfil it.

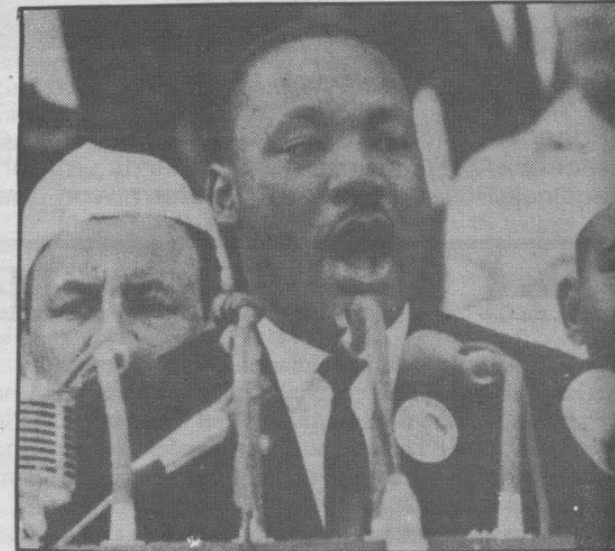
Abernathy, along with King, was involved in the Montgomery, Alb., bus boycott of the 1960s and was jailed many times for his stand on black rights. He is currently the president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

In his fight for the rights of blacks, Abernathy has taken on much of King's philosophies and practices. He recalled a Bible passage in his lecture as he described the assassination of King. Recalling that, tragedy, Abernathy said, "If we kill the dreamer, we will see what happens to his dream."

Abernathy paralleled that, as "Jews do not forget the holocaust, the blacks must not forget segregation."

Abernathy also endorsed Jesse Jackson in his campaign for the Democratic Presidential nomination, which was taken well by the audience. He maintains that we should "vote for the most qualified candidate."

The speech concluded the Martin Luther King celebration this week at OSU.



Martin Luther King Jr. in a 1966 photo.

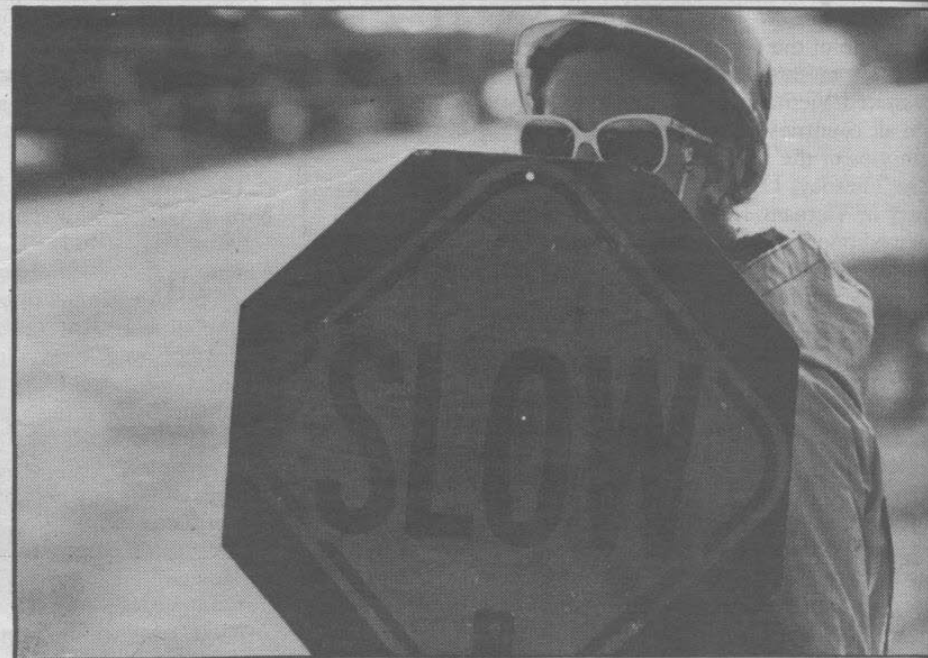
"We should have both days," Jones continued. "I'm in favor of the holiday, but do not like giving up Easter Monday."

In general, however, the controversy about adding the holiday—from bureaucrats complaining the holiday would be too costly and from opponents claiming King was not worthy of a national celebration—appears to have faded from the national scene.

But if the holiday has gained acceptance, his daughter noted in her Boulder speech Jan. 10, King's vision still hasn't become the norm.

Pay Attention

"People don't pay attention," says Pam Hines, who works as a flagger for J.C. Compton Construction Company on the bridge project near campus. She said Albany is the worst town she's ever worked in: "People don't slow down."



The Commuter/DAVID GRUBBS

College delays decision to expand Camas Room

By Pete Kozak
Of The Commuter Staff

LBCC officials have temporarily shelved plans to relocate and expand the Camas Room.

"The college doesn't think it's prudent at this time" to make changes in the facility, said Bob Miller, director of Auxiliary Services, which operates the school's food services.

Plans called for either enlarging the Camas Room at its present location in Takena Hall or moving it to the west end of the Forum's main floor.

The plan to relocate—developed last year by the Facilities Users Committee—was seen as the more likely of the two because the vacant space created in Takena Hall could be used to enlarge the restrooms on the main floor and install an elevator, thus giving handicapped students easier access to Takena Hall's upper levels. The addition of an elevator at that location has been discussed by school officials for several years, Miller said.

Relocating the snack area would also mean increasing its seating capacity from 40 to 138—providing enough space for a smoking area—which is not available at its present location.

Miller said that a campus planning committee headed by George Kurtz, vice-president for business affairs, is being formed to study LBCC's future facility needs, including any changes in the Camas Room.

The school needs a comprehensive long-range plan in by 1991, Kurtz said, explaining that the ad hoc Committee—representing "a cross-section of the college"—will be assigning priorities for facility usage, including building repairs and renovations, as well as any new construction.

The Camas Room project is only one of many items to be considered by the committee, he said.

Kurtz said the issue of enlarging the Camas Room was first raised in 1984, when the school designated smoking and non-smoking areas on campus.

Because of its limited seating, the entire room was placed off-limits to smokers. To accommodate those students, school officials began looking at ways to expand the area.

Miller said increased business in the Camas Room provided another reason for the proposed change.

"It's an ideal location but it's too small," Miller said, explaining that in recent years students have been expecting more and more from the facility.

The Camas Room was never intended to replace the

upstairs food service, said Miller. "It's a snack bar."

Miller said one way to alleviate the seating shortage for students taking night classes would be to keep the Commons area open in the evening—instead of the Camas Room.

That possibility is currently being discussed, he said.

Kurtz cited the cost of the proposed Camas Room project—estimated at \$250,000—as a factor for putting the plan on hold.

"If there was enough money to do it, it would be an ideal thing to do," he said, adding, "although we could probably fund it through the sale of revenue bonds."

However, Kurtz explained that the Camas Room, along with the school's other food services and bookstore, is self-supporting.

Repayment of revenue bonds would come from the revenue generated by that operation.

"We have to be sure the new facility would make enough to pay for it," he said.

Still, revenue bonds could only finance the renovation of the Camas room itself, Kurtz said, not the restroom expansion or elevator installation at Takena Hall. The school would still need to find other funding sources for those projects, he added.

FBI ask college libraries to scan for Soviet agents

By Mike O'Keefe
College Press Service

Soviet agents are prowling American campus libraries and using American students to gather sensitive—though unclassified—technical information for them, the Federal Bureau of Investigation says.

The FBI, moreover, has asked librarians to help it catch them by reporting the names of foreign students who use certain books or databases.

But college librarians generally don't want to help, saying it could scare students away from libraries, violate their constitutional rights and scuttle the librarians' own professional ethics.

"It's an unwarranted intrusion by the government," said Patrice McDermott of the Chicago-based American Library Association.

"To be told to look for foreign agents is frightening," said Jaia Barrett of the Association of Research Libraries. "How do you tell if someone is a foreign agent? If they have an accent?"

"They've got no business screwing with libraries," said Quinn Shea of the National Security Archive, a Washington, D.C., group that pursues freedom of information issues.

The FBI, in turn, says its "Library Awareness Program" is legal and necessary to keep foreign agents from piecing together technical information from university libraries that could be used to harm U.S. national security.

"We've known for years that the Soviets target university libraries," said James Fox, head of the FBI's New York office, "especially big technical libraries like you'd find at MIT or Stanford, for information."

Soviet agents, Fox said, often hire students or professors as researchers to gather information about lasers, artificial intelligence and other technology with military applications.

Gennadi F. Zakharov, the Soviet spy arrested in 1986 who was later traded for Nicholas Daniloff, an American reporter seized in Moscow, recruited students to gather information for him, Fox said. Those students "smelled something bad" and tipped off the FBI. Other students, lured by large amounts of money, are less patriotic, he said.

The agency, he said, is not asking librarians to join the espionage business. "All we want to know is if there are Soviets coming around regularly and posting cards looking for research assistants."

Librarians, however, say the program isn't that innocent.

"What's the next step?" asked Barrett. "Classifying road maps because they show where bridges are for terrorists to blow up?"



The Commuter/PATRICK GAMMELL

"The whole basis of our government and the First Amendment," added New York University's Nancy Kranich, "is the free flow of information." The attempt to control "sensitive but classified information is so broad, it could take in anything."

The Library Awareness Program is the latest of the FBI's campus activities that date back at least to the early 1950s, when agents compiled information on students and faculty members they suspected were communists.

During the 1960s and '70s, the bureau monitored campus anti-war and civil rights activists.

"It smacks of the intimidation of the left during the '60s," said McDermott. "Foreigners are an easy target, especially with the anti-Libyan and anti-Middle Eastern

sentiments prevalent today. It's easy to erode rights by going after groups to whom society is especially unsympathetic first."

Shea argued that, "just because something is not against the law doesn't mean it's a good idea, and recruiting librarians as surrogate spies is a stupid idea. It's the difference between what this country is supposed to stand for and those countries the FBI is supposed to protect us from."

So far, the FBI has asked at least 5 school—New York University, the State University of New York-Buffalo, Columbia, and the universities of Cincinnati and Maryland—to monitor who's using their libraries. Librarians, however, say the program isn't that innocent.

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Faculty Exhibit

The annual Faculty Show opened this week in the LBCC Humanities Gallery, featuring work in a variety of media by the college's Fine and Applied Arts Department.

Represented in the show are art instructors Sandra Zimmer and Judy Rogers, ceramics instructor Jay Widmer, photography and journalism instructor Rich Bergeman, and graphic design instructor John Aikman. Included in the show are oils, watercolors, pencil drawings, screen prints, black-and-white photography, ceramics and fiber pieces.

The faculty will present a gallery talk Tuesday, Feb. 2, from noon to 1 p.m. in the gallery, which is located in the foyer of the AHSS Building. The show runs through Feb. 5.

1988 Oregon Games

The 1988 Oregon Games for the Physically Limited will be held in Salem on Saturday, April 9. Any persons interested in participating in this event may pick up additional information in the Student Development office—LRC 200.

The registration deadline is March 21.

Cop Recruit

Representatives of the Salem Police Department will be at LBCC Feb. 9 to interview students interested in applying for an entry level position with the department. Students interested in careers in law enforcement, no matter what they are majoring in, are invited to drop by the Willamette Room on the second floor of the College Center between 1 and 2:30 p.m.

Gardening Workshops

LBCC is offering two landscape management workshops at the Lebanon Center. Both of the one-day workshops meet on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Lebanon Center classroom LC-2 and cost \$7 each.

"Pruning & Grafting" meets on Jan. 30 and looks at the techniques of pruning fruit trees, roses, nursery stock and shade trees. Local students may also volunteer their yards for pruning and grafting demonstrations. The second workshop, "Fruit Production," on Feb. 6, covers the culture, varieties, pest management, fertilizing, pollination and irrigation of a fruit planting.

Preregistration is required for both of these workshops and should be completed by Wednesday preceding the weekend of the workshop. The Lebanon Center is located at 2600 Stoltz Hill Road. The phone number is 451-1014.

Fax Ed

The LBCC Training and Economic Development Center is hosting a free Taxpayer Education Day Teleconference Wednesday, Feb. 3, 10 a.m.-12 noon in Boardrooms A and B of the College Center.

The teleconference is co-sponsored by the Internal Revenue Service and the American

Association of Retired Persons (AARP). It will focus on tax laws that affect older people. A telephone hook-up will allow participants to ask questions of the panel, and AARP representative will be on hand to answer questions.

The teleconference is free, but space must be reserved by calling the TED Center, 967-6112.

Free Film

A free film, "Last Grave at Dimbaza," will be shown two times at LBCC on Feb. 3 in Forum 104 on the main LBCC campus, 6500 SW Pacific Blvd. in Albany. The film will be shown noon-1 p.m. and repeated 7-10 p.m. The evening show will be followed by a panel discussion.

The film is sponsored by LBCC's Chapter

of Amnesty International, and provides a provocative look at South Africa in the 1970s. It is a documentary that was filmed secretly and presents information about the socio-political and economic effects of apartheid. It includes interviews of people living in several African reserves and contrasts lifestyles of black and white communities, considering overcrowding, discrimination,

employment conditions, military status and growing unrest.

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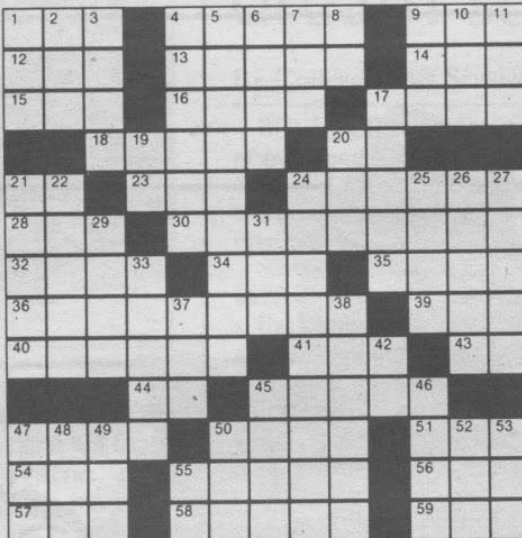
A representative from Western Oregon State College will be on campus from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. today. Students interested in transferring to the Monmouth college may meet with the representative in the College Center lobby.

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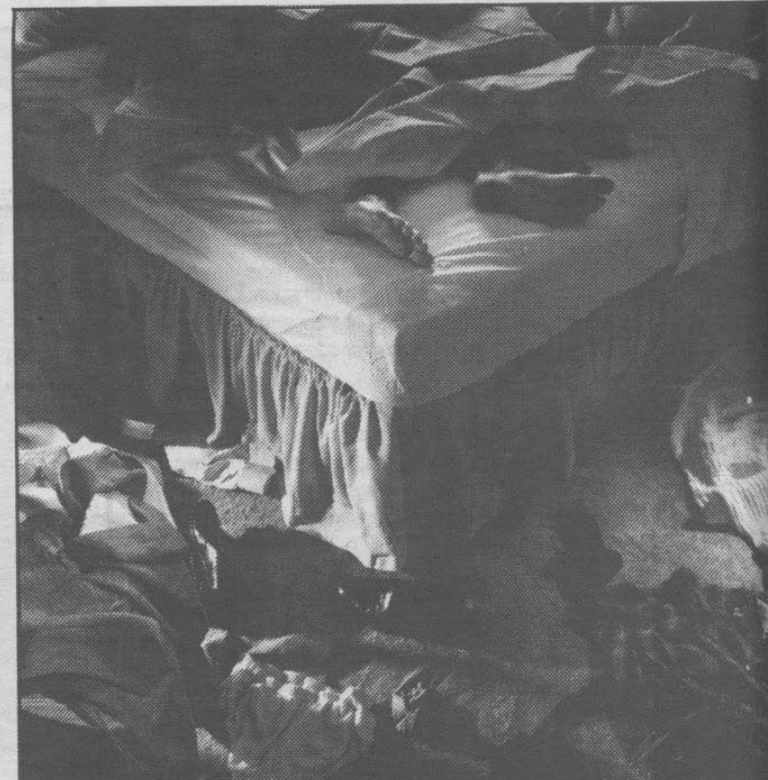
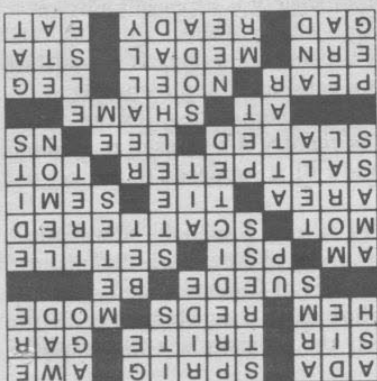
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Antiam Buffet

The Culinary Arts and Hospitality management students are presenting a Winter Term Buffet in the Alsea-Calapooia room, CC-203, on Tuesday, February 2, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The all-you-can-eat buffet is featuring roast beef, chicken chasseur, sole and a wide variety of appetizers, soups, vegetable, and a dessert bar. The cost is \$4.75 per person. Reservations are appreciated but not necessary. Call 7-6101, ext. 101.

Great Decisions

"U.S. and the Middle East" is the fifth in a free "Great Decisions" discussion series sponsored by LBCC's Albany Center. The group will meet on Tuesday, Feb. 9, from 7-9 p.m. in room 209 of the Health Occupations Building. "U.S. and the Middle East" is an overview of Middle East history since World War II. It will cover interests of the U.S. in the region, shifts in the U.S. policy and conclude with a look at current U.S. policy in the area. Blair Emery is facilitator for the "Great Decisions" discussion program. Other topics and dates include: Feb. 16— "The Global Environment"; Feb. 23— "South Korea"; and March 1— "Western Europe." No preregistration is required.



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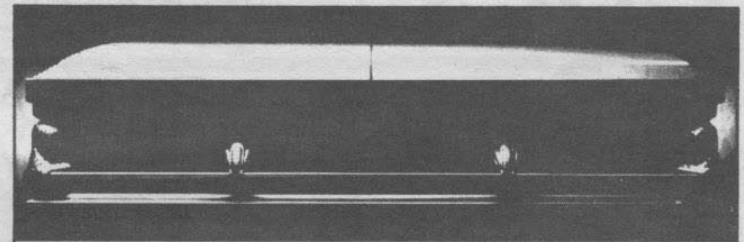
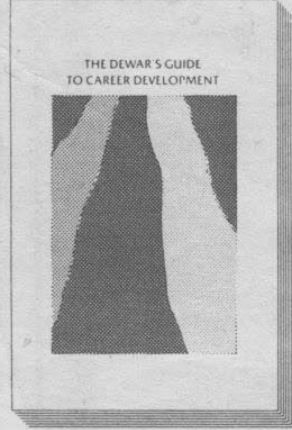
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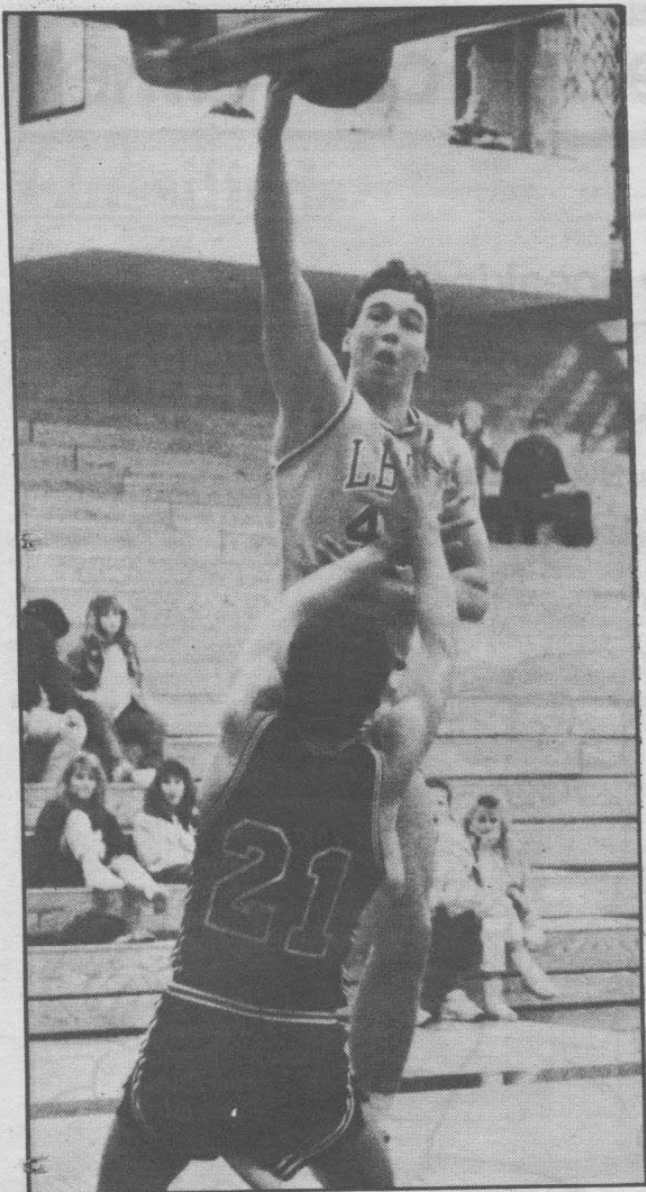
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Men split weekend B-ball games

Linn-Benton's strong second half free throws led them to Saturday's 72-68 victory over Clackamas.

Gamail Goins hit 2-2 from three-point range for a total of 16 to lead the Roadrunners offense. Goins was followed by Mike Loftis with 11 and Chris Doscher with 10. Doscher also was 6-6 from the line.

Clackamas led by one at the half with almost identical statistics.

Friday night the Roadrunners played to a different tune. LB's excessive turnovers keyed Chemeketa's offense whipping the Roadrunners 64-3.

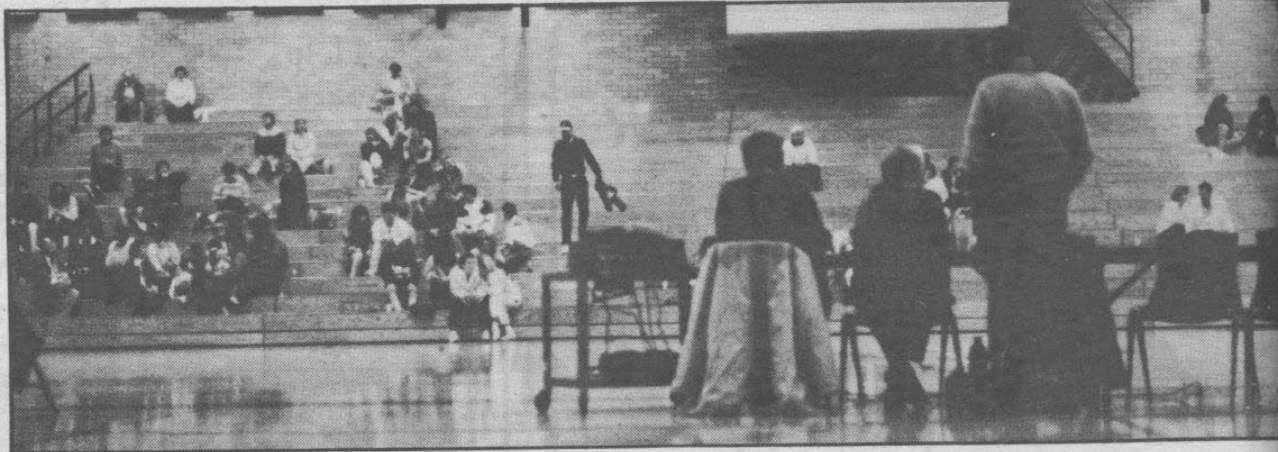
Doscher hit 7-11 from the field with 16 points and Jeff Stevens added 13.

"We actually played fairly well but the score doesn't show it," said coach Al Wellman.

LB 1-4 tips off against Lane tonight in the Activities Center following the conclusion of the womens at 8:00p.m.

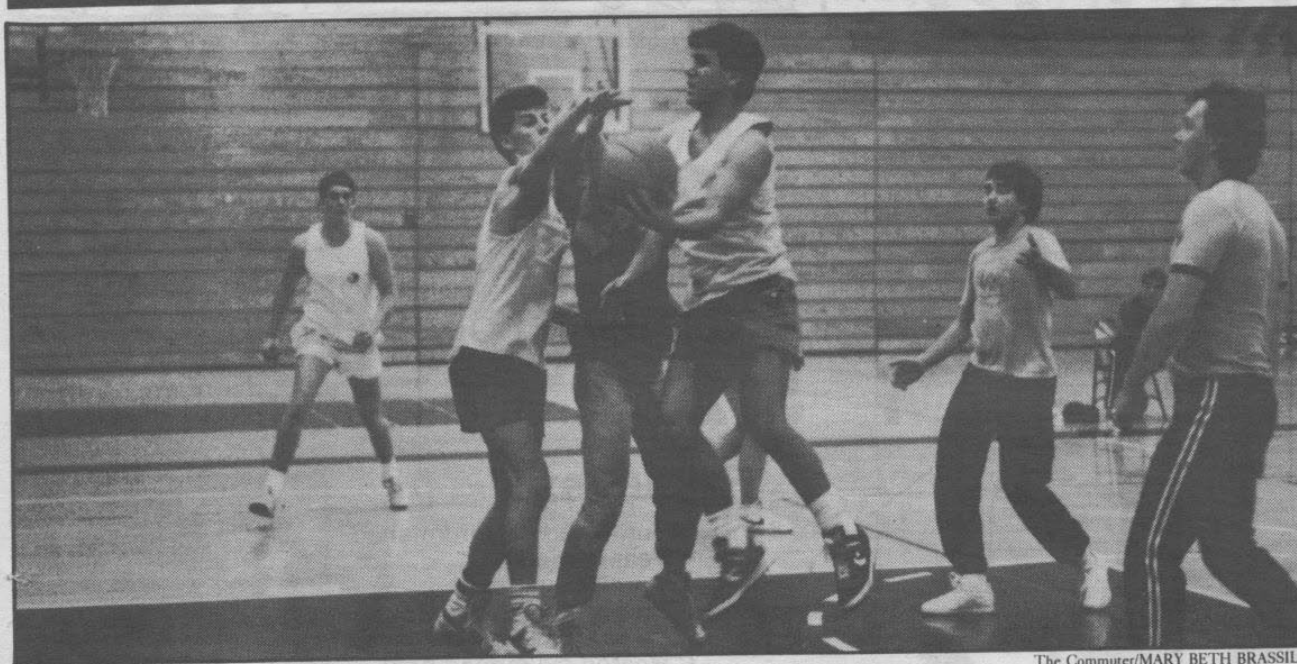


The Commuter/RANDY WRIGHTHOUSE



The turnout is light but the action heavy at LBCC home basketball games, as was the case last

weekend when the men battled to a 72-68 victory over Clackamas. It was the men's first league victory.



The Commuter/MARY BETH BRASSILL

Hack Attack

Patrick Gammell displays proper hacking procedures as Brad Staten attempts a legal check on an unidentified Runnin' Rebel. The Flying Albinos took advantage of substitutes stretchers and overt fouls to edge the Rebels 72-96 in last Wednesday's season opening intramural games. In game two, the Zone Busters II squeaked past the No Names, 79-77, in a slightly cleaner game. Due to the break in the water main, all intramural activities will be bumped up one week.

Lady Roadrunners knocked out of first place

By Richard C. Meek
Of The Commuter Staff

The women's basketball team lost two important league games last week when Chemeketa snapped the Roadrunner's perfect league record on Friday night and then Clackamas knocked them out of first place on Saturday, 63-55.

Even though the women were coming off Friday's surprising 19-point loss to Chemeketa (in Salem,) Coach Debbie Prince felt the team was ready for Saturday's home tilt against Clackamas.

"I felt we were ready mentally. They just took us out of our game. We didn't handle the ball and the pressure,"

said Prince.

The women started the game slowly, falling behind by 11 early in the first half, but came roaring back behind the hot hand of Tracy Turner, who was 3-3 from the three-point line in the first half to close the margin to just three, 28-31, at the half. "I thought we played a good first half," said Prince.

The second half was all Clackamas. The Roadrunners never led.

"We lacked intensity the last 12 minutes of the game. We rebounded well but missed some easy two-foot shots," said Prince. The women shot only 29 percent from the field but out rebounded Clackamas by 12.

Andrea Powell lead the team with 17 points and Tracy

Turner had 14. Kris Kiester grabbed 11 rebounds with Cheryl Kundert, Denise Schumaucher, and Lori Denedy each getting seven rebounds.

The women play tonight at home in another league game against Lane. Prince feels that the team needs to work on offense.

"We need to start working on our offense against man-to-man defense because that's all we're going to see now," said Prince.

"To win against Lane we need to take care of the ball, be patient, hit the boards, and get better play out of all our perimeter players, not just one player every game," said Prince.