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Oregon Health Plan drops students from coverage

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Thanks to the recent changes made in the Oregon Health Plan, the financial burden associated with school became a little heavier for about 5,000 Oregon students. Starting Oct. 1, most full-time students are no longer able to sign up for the plan, and part-time students who still qualify will have to begin making premium payments.

According to Jim Sellers, spokesperson for Oregon Department of Human Resources, these changes, along with others, were made by the Oregon Legislature for two reasons. The first was to cut costs as part of the two-year plan to trim \$123 million from the state budget. Sellers added that the changes were also "good public policy," making cutbacks which affect people deemed to need the monies least.

"These changes will help to hold down costs while also doing the least harm to thousands of Oregonians

who have demonstrated a need for healthcare coverage," said Jean I. Thorne, director of the Office of Medical Assistance Programs in an Oregon Department of Human Resources press release. "We are working with current and prospective health plan members to ensure they understand these changes."

Letters were sent out a few weeks ago to affected students.

Monica Trujillo, full-time LBCC student, received (Turn to 'Health cuts' on page 2)

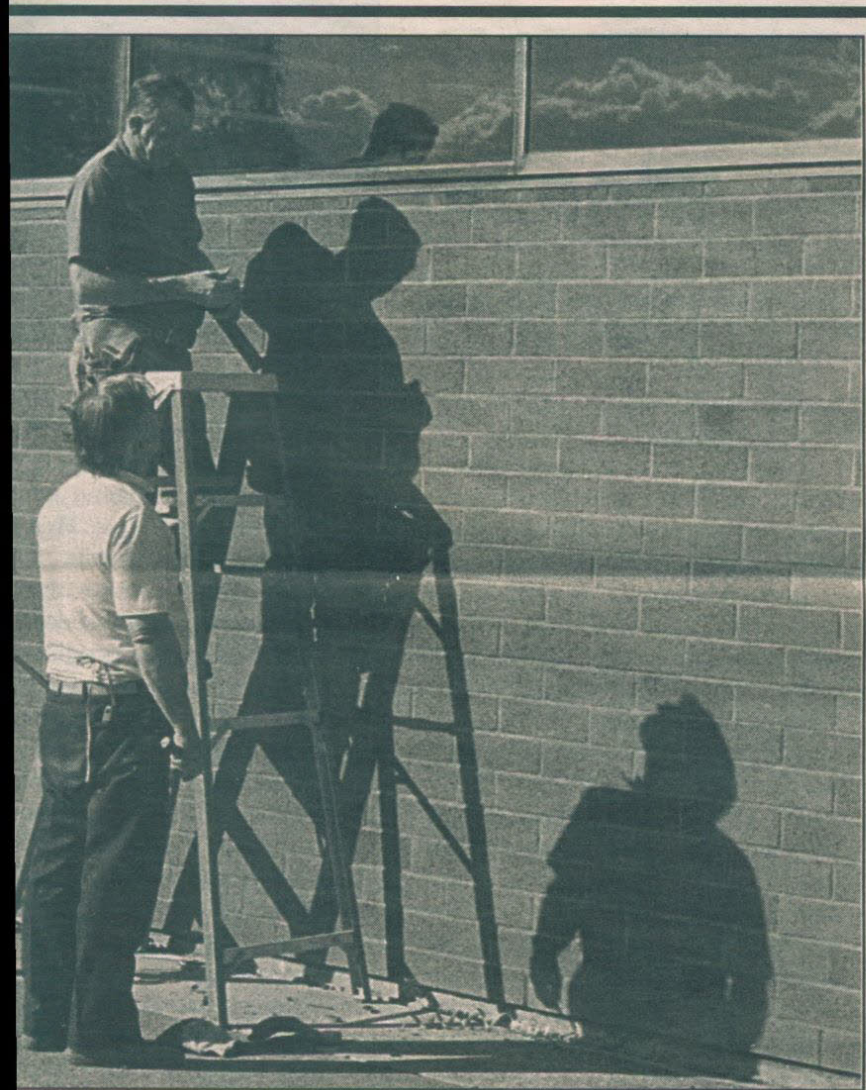


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Low Vision

By Dickinson and August Fuchs of Smith Glass replace the leaded glass with vision glass in the south wall of the LRC last week.

College considers revamping old student rights and conduct policies

Changes to be discussed by Board of Education tonight after student hearing last week

by Allen Lewis
of The Commuter

Tonight the LBCC Board of Education will meet to discuss revisions to the Student Rights, Responsibilities & Conduct contract.

Because the document has not been updated since February 1991, a hearing took place on Oct. 10 in which suggested changes were aired.

Ed Watson, dean of Liberal Arts and Human Performance; Rich Wendland, LBCC Board of Education chairman; Mike Holland, executive to the president; and David Bezayiff, dean of Student Services, answered questions from the 30 or so students who showed up at the hearing.

Questions dealt with a variety of sections in the policy, from sexual harassment to dispute resolution procedures.

Some of the students wanted just one word changed or omitted for clarification. One student, for example, suggested replacing the word "the" with "any" in a section stating that only members of the

LBCC community will be allowed to vote in the determination of membership, policies and actions of a student organization.

The effect of the change would be to allow students from other colleges to vote on policy changes. This was met with strong disapproval by the panel.

One student was concerned that the section entitled "Off Campus Freedom of Students" was worded too vaguely. He explained he was afraid the wording would allow a faculty member who had a grudge against a student to report him to the police for such things as traffic violations.

A question was raised regarding the omission of sexual orientation from the Freedom From Sexual Harassment and Discrimination section.

In response, Holland explained that since sexual orientation is not protected under the Oregon State Constitution it would be difficult to enforce, but also said that there were other laws which covered the issue.

The panel also received a request to make it mandatory that a student be present on every disciplinary panel.

Final action on the proposed changes is not expected until the Board of Education's November meeting.

Students beset with inconveniences as roof repairs continue

By Hodges
The Commuter

Students and staff have been putting up with soggy floors, leaks and objectionable smells this week on LBCC's campus.

Students showed up for class in the Industrial Building last Wednesday they were greeted with chairs piled high at one end of Room 242 and broken ceiling tiles lying in pools of water on the floor.

Two weeks ago students were met with another wet day in Takena 217, where loud fans were set up to dry the carpets.

And at the Women's Center in the IA building, an obnoxious odor drove staff members and visitors out of office for an afternoon.

It hardly seems like progress, but it is.

Last November, Linn and Benton voters passed the LBCC Bond issue request for \$11,649,000, making it possible to begin major repairs on the college's 20-year-old buildings.

The repairs began with new roofs for the college's nine mechanical core areas. This is top priority according to Kevin Nicholson, LBCC's manager of maintenance/facilities. The core areas which contain the stairs, the restrooms and the two water-soaked class-

rooms will get new "fully-adhered rubber" roofs from the concrete decking up. The roofs are being adhered with a substance similar to contact cement so there won't be the tar smell that is typical of flat roofing jobs, said Nicholson.

Umpqua Roofing of Eugene hopes to have this part of the project finished before the end of the month.

The internal rain in rooms T217 and IA242 was due to the high winds and record-breaking rains that destroyed temporary roofing allowing rainwater to enter the room.

The closure of the Women's Center at 1:40 p.m. (Turn to 'Repair' on page 2)

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one such letter stating that she would qualify for the plan only until January 1996. Like others who signed up before Oct. 1, Trujillo's coverage will lapse six months from the sign up date. If still a full-time student in January, she'll be reevaluated and will only remain on the plan if she meets other requirements, such as pregnancy or being on the displaced worker's program.

This places students in a Catch-22 situation. If they drop to part-time status in order to maintain health care, they will be disqualified from most financial aid. And if they work part-time to pay for coverage, they still must be below poverty level to qualify.

Although other changes were made at the legislative session to cut spending, full-time students were the only group that was dropped from the plan entirely. The decision, according to officials, was based on the thinking that many students are carried on their parents' insurance plans and that affordable group insurance is offered through most major colleges, some of which also have student health centers that offer affordable care. At this time, however 22 percent of Oregon students have no insurance of any kind.

Most affected are "non-traditional" students, like Trujillo, who are older than 25, may have children and do not depend on parents.

These students are considered more likely to begin their higher education at such colleges as LBCC, where there are no affordable health care options. The one community college plan made available to students costs a total of \$812 per year for students over 35. Adding a spouse and a child would raise the amount to \$2292 annually, but, under the OHP children may still be covered, even if their parents are not.

Robert Nosse, assistant director of the Oregon Student Lobby, whose organization lobbied legislators against dropping

students from the plan, feels that in the long run more money will be spent.

"Now the state will subsidize two times longer," he stated, explaining that students who are in school for an extended period of time will be forced to stay on the plan longer.

States Trujillo, "I don't want to stay on the plan forever. It's just to help until I get through school." She currently takes 12 credit hours and has 15 work study hours per week.

Before becoming a full-time student she was married, worked 12 years at Bi-Mart and had double coverage. At that time, she said she lost custody of her children in a divorce because the judge felt that when she became a student she would not be in a position to adequately support her children. By OHP standards, however, she's not deemed to need health care coverage.

If Trujillo drops to part-time and goes to work she can only qualify if she makes less than \$623 per month, says Sellers.

Nosse feels that there was nothing insidious about the cuts, and that mostly people agree that the state needs to balance its budget.

But he also felt that Gov. John Kitzhaber was under pressure to accept the changes, and he would have liked more students to have involved themselves when this issue was being decided.

Last year's student council moderator, Randy Brown, organized a lobby day where 50 students phoned and faxed appeal letters all day, letting representatives know that they were against cuts to students on the OHP.

This year's student council moderator, Angela Rivera, says that these kind of changes happen because more students don't get involved and voice an opinion.

She is a part of a task force in which she, along with other student body presidents, will soon meet to discuss and learn more about the changes to the OHP in order to keep students informed.

Repair work continues on campus roofs

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Thursday was due to complaints of a smell similar to airplane glue, said Kris Childress, Women's Center staff. Staff and visitors complained of difficulty breathing and burning eyes. She walked one woman down to the Security Office to file a complaint, said Childress.

Women's Center staff felt they should have been warned about the smell so that people could have avoided exposure. It took awhile to find out that the roofing project was the source of the smell, she said.

Another inconvenience occurred when the LBCC main satellite dish was disconnected for two weeks. Fortunately, an older dish was capable of being upgraded so no services were lost, said Paul Snyder, LBCC's media specialist. The satellite dishes are used for teleconferencing, workshops, previewing materials and recording programs for use as videos.

Trucks used to haul away roofing debris have been blocking sidewalks in certain parts of the campus because the heavy rains of the past weeks made the lawns too wet to drive on.

The first project to be completed this summer was the resurfacing and restriping of the South Central parking lot, which included the new zigzag design for the pedestrian lanes. This design is intended to cut down on cars parking in the pedestrian lanes.

Before, when the stripping would get faint, drivers would inadvertently park

in the walkways. Also new in the parking lot is the addition of compact car spaces making it easier and safer to drive and walk in the parking lot.

The other outside project to be finished this summer was the steam cleaning and resealing of the exterior brick walls.

Inside projects began with new carpet in the Health Occupations, Activity and Business buildings and will continue with plumbing repairs this winter.

Galvanized pipe will be replaced with copper pipe in the Industrial Arts and the Science/Technology buildings. LBCC was originally plumbed with a poor quality imported pipe causing corrosion and leaks to become major problems, said Nicholson.

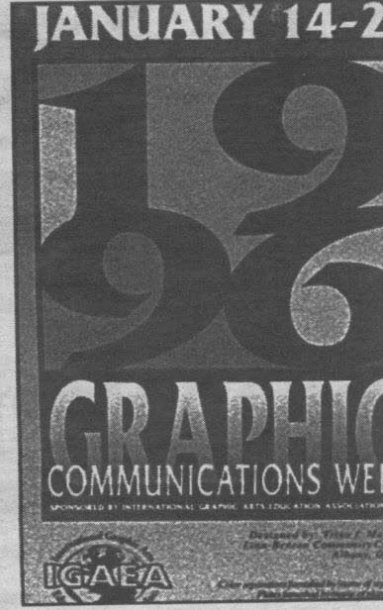
Because part of the plumbing is in the halls, some repair work can be done while classes are being held. Other pipe replacement will be accomplished between terms.

Repairs are being done at the Benton center, simultaneously. An elevator is being installed, bathrooms are being remodeled and ramps are being added to make that center more handicap accessible.

The roofing project will cost between \$2.5 million and \$3 million, comprising 20 to 25 percent of the total bond. A moisture analysis is being done on the remaining roofs to establish priority replacement for roofs next summer. College administration is presently deciding the priority for the other projects.



Electronic and prepress majors, Justin Martin and Trina Masanga (b) recently received awards for their poster designs. Martin's design left and Masanga's is at right.



Students design winning posters

by Josh Burk
of The Commuter

Two students in the Electronic Imaging and Prepress Technology program have received national and state recognition for their poster designs.

Justin Martin, 22, of Dallas, Ore., won First Place and \$300 in the International Graphic Arts Education Association (IGAEA) annual contest in Pittsburgh. The design will be used as a cover for the Visual Communication Journal.

Trina Masanga, of Albany, was presented an award by the state of Minnesota for her design to be used in conjunction with the Minnesota State Job Fair. Masanga's poster was considered for the national award also. However, her design was topographical, so the judges decided that it wouldn't be the best to use on a cover.

Both Masanga and Martin plan to graduate this year with degrees in the Graphic Design field. Masanga could have already moved on, but she chose to continue at LBCC to further her knowledge in Electronic Imaging. When she first started in the graphics program computers were not used, but now they are virtually universal.

The two students already have plans for the future. Masanga hopes to get an internship this winter and a job in Portland by summer. Martin



has been doing some business and fliers. One of his professors told him about a 3D information studio in Eugene where he might get an internship. "This would be awesome," says Martin.

Martin and Masanga agree that their instructor Dennis Bechtel, graphic arts program coordinator, has been an outstanding teacher. "He knows what we need to know," says Masanga.

Bechtel, who has 15 years of experience, believes that all the students who have worked hard, making it difficult to choose just three entries for the poster contest.

Bechtel is proud of how the program has risen. In fact, the program is "bursting at the seams." We need to accommodate right now all the students that want into the program," says Bechtel. "It's understanding the impact of diminishing resources that is the real challenge to fund a program like this."

Bechtel believes that the students are the key to the program, and they are the ones that deserve recognition.

Both Masanga and Martin attribute their success to their faith in Christ for giving them the opportunity to win the contest.

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CAMPUS NEWS

Canine etiquette helps working guide dogs do their jobs

Dorothy Wilson
The Commuter

was always an easy walk down this street—a light path, no obstacles. So why was Charles Coe's guide dog pulling him toward the curb?

"Forward," Coe commanded, but the young German Shepherd pulled him toward the curb again. The times Coe commanded Jem to go "forward," but she refused.

Finally, with no one to trust but his new companion, he decided to obey his dog.

He led Coe off the curb, around parked cars, and up on the sidewalk. Coe was baffled.

It was only later that he learned a construction crew dug a hole five feet deep in the sidewalk. The only warning for passersby was a plastic tape suspended between two sawhorses, invisible to blind pedestrians.

That was four years ago. Coe now rarely questions the dog's judgment.

Although nothing as serious has occurred recently, Coe continues to depend on Jem's abilities to help him move around campus. He also depends upon his new students to recognize that when Jem is on the sidewalk, she shouldn't be distracted by well-intentioned people on the head and scratches behind the ear.

Coe, a business/management major in his second year at LBCC, said the relationship between a guide dog and its owner is one of continual training. When changes occur in his environment, such as moving to a new classroom, he gives Jem more basic commands before, during, and after the new experience. He says this helps Jem feel more secure and in control. It also helps her to handle unusual or unexpected situations, like the construction now going on at LBCC, with more ease.

Coe says it is necessary for the guide dog to stay focused on its job.

Debbie Pierce, an LBCC student who is training a guide dog puppy on campus, explains the importance of minimal distractions. "When a guide dog is working, it is essential that the dog remain in control. Distractions can break the dog's concentration, creating problems for the owner."

Although experienced guide dogs can quickly re-establish control, Pierce says a lot can happen in a few

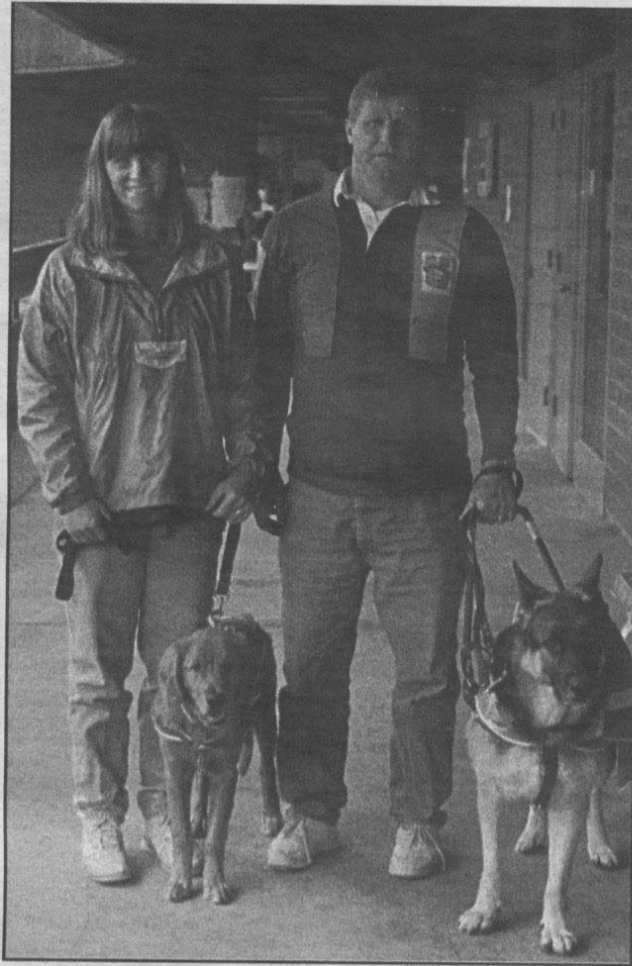


Photo by Joe Hergert

Debbie Pierce and Charles Coe take a walk down the balcony around the courtyard with their guide dogs Hardy and Jem.

seconds—the owner could trip, fall or run into a wall. The owner's safety depends on the dog's ability to concentrate.

Pierce is currently training Harding, a golden retriever puppy. She shares a common concern with Coe that people will be offended if they are told not to pet the dogs. Although they are both flattered that people find the dogs so attractive, in the interest of the dogs' performance on the job, they offer this advice:

- Always ask before petting any guide dog. You

never know what kind of temperament any one dog has. Although Jem and Harding are gentle dogs, some guide dogs are not.

- Avoid using a high-pitched voice when addressing the dogs. The high pitch can be interpreted by the dog as "Time to play."

- Do not offer food to any guide dog. Guide dogs are usually on a special diet. Besides, it breaks their concentration.

- Do not allow children to approach any dog. Ask first.

- Do not whistle.

- Do not grab the owner's arm.

- You may talk to owners/trainers. They enjoy talking about their dogs. It's a good icebreaker.

A guide dog is "working" when the owner has the harness in his hand. However, even when on an ordinary lead, the owner needs to be asked if it is OK to pet the dog.

Even a puppy in training has some restrictions. Pierce occasionally enforces a "No Pet Day" for Harding. "Puppies need to learn control. If they are constantly petted, they come to expect it from everyone," she explained.

She often keeps Harding in a "Sit-Stay" while he is being petted to teach him self-control.

Her pup "makes eyes" at passersby, hoping for attention, Pierce says. Such antics are expected at his age, five months, and they are hard to resist, she admitted.

Puppies also go through a "fear period" from five to seven months, when they are easily startled by a student on roller blades, someone in a hat, someone flying a kite, workers on a roof, or other unusual sights. Pierce says people can help the puppy overcome these fears by stopping and backing up until the pup no longer feels threatened. In general, you should always let the trainer and pup come to you, she said.

Dogs enjoy training, say Coe and Pierce. They are descended from wolves and need a "pack leader" to look up to. Coe says Jem can hardly wait to get into her harness in the morning.

Their lives are not all work and no play, however. At the end of the day, there is rest for owner and dog and time for more intimate camaraderie.

Trick-or-treater sites sought

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The Commuter

In order to reduce the stress put on students and staff, the Family Resource Center has changed its plans for celebrating Halloween this year.

In the past, "Trick-or-Treat" activities drew children from the center to the offices on Halloween, but this year it was decided that a Center-wide celebration would not take place.

The decision to take children to "Trick-or-Treat" at the college's offices will be left to the individual instructors at the

According to Liz Pearce-Smith, Events Coordinator at the FRC, helping all of the center's children into their costumes, to keep the costumes clean and to make sure children wanted to play in costumes and taking them around to the offices and then back to the center proved very difficult.

There was also concern that the celebration endorsed Halloween

in a way no other holidays were endorsed by the center.

"We wanted to leave the decision up to the individual instructors," Pearce-Smith said. "That way any problems which might come up can be handled by the instructor of that particular group."

Some parents will still be bringing their children to LBCC's offices on Halloween.

Offices which would like to be visited by the children are encouraged to call Charlotte Houser of the FRC (ext. 4898), who is compiling a list of open offices for parents.

The FRC, which provides full-time childcare for seventy-five children between the ages of two to five years, also teaches a course, Living and Learning with your Preschooler, to their parents.

Visitors are encouraged to attend the Center's Friday morning breakfast and sing-along. Breakfast is served at 9 am and the sing-along begins at 10 am. Visitors are asked to call extension 4898 to schedule their visit.

Student council hosts Education Reform forum

Ye Haima
The Commuter

The student council will be holding a forum event on Thursday Oct. 19, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Alsea/Boia Rooms. Refreshments will be provided.

The forum will be discussing education reform and how it will affect the lives of college students in this state. Inviting speakers will be Ray Houser from the Department of Educa-

tion, and Doug Jantzi from the Greater Albany Public School District. The speakers will discuss facts about the education reform and answer questions of concerned community participants.

The political liaison, Dianna Howell, has been working hard to let the community know about the event, and that they're welcome to attend. "I have advertised on radio, through churches, high schools, and junior highs," said Howell, who is also the organizer.

Students seek seat on Academic Affairs

by Kay King
of The Commuter

The Student Government will propose two seats representing students be added to Academic Affairs Committee, which next meets on Oct. 24.

The Academic Affairs Committee is a college-wide committee made up of administration and faculty.

At the present time, it has no students. Dealing with issues from graduation requirements to internet access, nearly every decision the committee makes affects the student body.

"It would help both the students and the faculty if we could get feed-

back from faculty and give them our feedback," explained Mark Federick, who is one of the two Liberal Arts and Human performance representatives on the student council. The other Representative is Jennifer Hogansen.

The Student Government would also like to be voting participants on the committee.

Co-Chair Patsy Chester explained that she didn't have a problem with the proposal. "We look at each proposal individually."

After the proposal on Oct. 24, the committee will wait a week to discuss it before coming to a final decision.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Author says writers can find support from many sources

by Mary Hake
of The Commuter

"It's impossible to write in solitude," said author Anita Sullivan at the "Writers on Writing" series Thursday, Oct. 12, at the Corvallis Public Library.

About 60 people attended her noon hour presentation entitled "Writing With Writer Support Groups."

Even if a writer does not belong to an official support group, each one does have a support system, Sullivan said. All an individual has learned and all the people encountered provide support, even for those who prefer to write alone, she explained.

Sullivan, a Corvallis resident since 1981, has a master's degree in English from Clemson University. She writes poetry, fiction and nonfiction. Her book "The Seventh Dragon: The Riddle of Equal Temperament" won the 1986 Western States Book Award, and her poetry chapbook "I Hear the Crickets Laughing" will come out this fall. She is also a regular commentator on National Public Radio's "Performance Today."

"There wasn't all that self-conscious stuff about writing when I grew up," Sullivan said, recalling that she was "always a writer" and known as the class storyteller. Writing for her is a way of living, as natural as breathing or walking.

"Don't hesitate to show your work to others," she advised the writers in attendance. Start with friends, then move on to sharing your work in a more official group, she said.

The process requires an author to develop a tough skin, she said, adding "We all fail regularly." Sullivan cautioned that support groups can tend to purify writing too much, and warned that an individual's work needs to keep its own quirks.

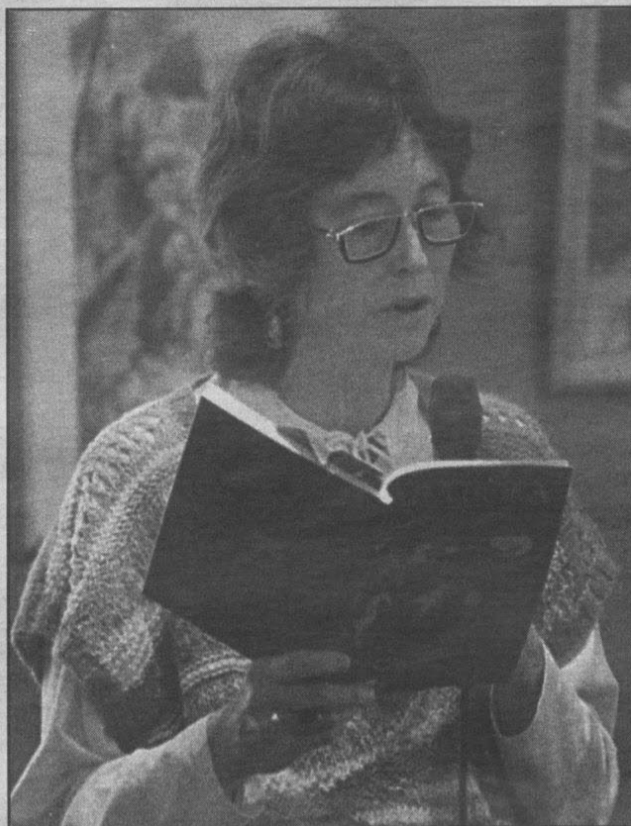


Photo by Treaver Gleason

Anita Sullivan reads from "Parabola Magazine."

*"There wasn't all that self-conscious stuff about writing when I grew up."
—Anita Sullivan*

Every writer needs an audience, Sullivan says. She always gives and takes. Talking with people about their author ideas which may alter the planned work.

She used Homer as an example. Although judged by contemporary standards, he produced a work that has been translated and recited and may have changed over the centuries to please the audience.

Sullivan said that language can be so powerful in the sound itself. "There is something magical in the rhythm and pronunciation of words," she said.

Using excerpts from "Parabola Magazine," she told about oral tradition—the language and the way it is passed on from generation to generation. She said it is important for preservation of complex data and said to encourage a habit of thoughtlessness. "The soul's business is to reflect."

Even the look of language is important, she said. Spoken words go by quickly, but written words are more slowly so the writer might pause and think about them, she said.

Sullivan advises all writers to read and write because it is the highest form of language. She said that a life of life leads to literature.

At the next Writers Brown Bag Lunch session, Oct. 19, 12:15 to 1:05 p.m., Corvallis author Anita Sullivan will give a slide presentation about her experiences and research. Her children and young adults include the Corvallis Honor Book and Children's Book Award winners "The Children of the River." A book about the Tillamook "Fire On the Wind" will be published this fall.

On Oct. 26, Sandra and Peter Jensen will discuss how they work together to support each other's writing.

'Rhythm on Rye' provides lunch time entertainment for LB students

by Angie Kincheloe
of The commuter

If you want some entertainment at lunch time, keep your schedule open for the second Wednesday of every month.

The Student Programs department has a series of noon musical entertainment planned for the rest of the school year called "Rhythm on Rye." Now in its second year, "Rhythm on Rye", is organized by Heidi McKinney, the new series events specialist on the student programming board.

McKinney plans to give this year's

program a little wider variety of musical talent, such as last week's group "Oboe Madness," who kicked off the program on Oct. 11 and returning Boulder, Colo. guitarist Jon Sirkis, who will perform on Nov. 11.

Sirkis plays a variety of folk latin and rock and should be extremely enjoyable, said McKinney.

The shows take place in the cafeteria from noon to 1 p.m. and are free to the lunch crowd.

If you are involved in or know about a musical group who might like to play in February or May, contact the Student Programs Office located in CC213.

'Jekyll & Hyde' opens Friday night at ACT's Regina Frager Theater

Albany Civic Theater's Halloween offering, "Jekyll & Hyde", opens Friday, Oct. 20 for a horrifying three-weekend run at ACT's Regina Frager Theater, 111 W. First Ave. in Albany.

Performances are at 8:15 p.m. Oct. 20, 21, 27, 28 and Nov. 2, 3 and 4, and at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 22.

Directed by ACT's master of suspense, Oscar B. Hult (Frankenstein, the Haunting of Hill House), Jekyll & Hyde is Leonard Caddy's adaptation of the classic Robert Louis Stevenson story about a soul divided.

The ACT production stars Craig Snider of Corvallis (Our Country's Good) as Dr. Henry Jekyll, whose studies of the dark and light sides of human psyche release the demented and murderous

Mr. Hyde. Supporting players include Coleman, Michael J. Deveney, King of Albany, Aaron St. Philomath and Doug Wood. Freemark, Wendy McCoy and Rhodes of Corvallis.

Hult designed his own costumes; lighting is by Mark Sullivan.

Tickets are \$7 general admission for people under 18 or over 65. Tickets can be purchased or reserved at 514 Jewelers in Albany, 967-8144 or at Pharmacy in Corvallis, 752-7111.

When tickets remain, they can be purchased at the theater box office 45 minutes before curtain time.

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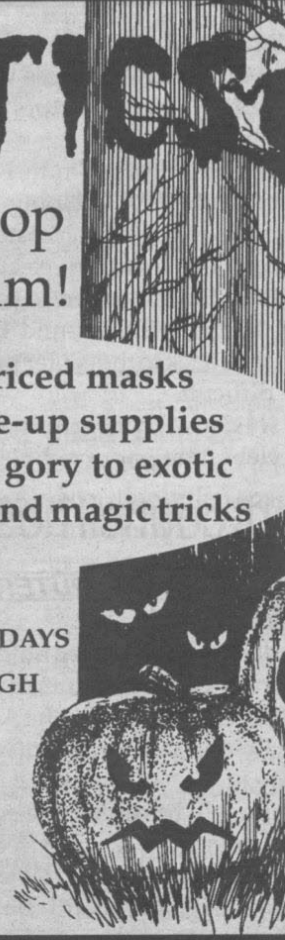
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SPORTS PAGE

Success and injury all in the same week

Carisa Troyer picked up 28 kills as the Roadrunners swept by Pacific University JV

Melissa LaBrecche
Commuter
The Lady Roadrunners swept the Pacific University JVs 15-8, 15-8, 15-7 in league action last Wednesday night. Melissa Troyer lead the Roadrunners assists, helping hitter Shelly West with 17 kills. Other leaders were Alesha with 8 kills, Stacey Bennett with 16 and Shannon Rowe and Carisa with 14 digs apiece.
In Game 1, Pacific University led out to an early 5-0 lead, but Linn-Benton battled back by scoring 12 points on their own with great serving by Tammy Ames. Pacific tried to come back, but were held by the Roadrunners' defense as Linn-Benton won to win 15-8.

The Roadrunners came out firing in Game 2, taking a 7-0 lead and limiting Pacific to eight points before going on to win the match 15-8.

In Game 3, the serving of Norton, Linn-Benton opened Game 3 with a 6-0 lead. The Roadrunners then battled back and forth with Linn-Benton before scoring their first two points. The Roadrunners allowed Pacific to score only six more points before winning it home to win 15-7.
"Overall, it was a good team effort," Coach Jayme Frazier said. "Cori and Tammy Ames both stepped in and played well off the bench."

Linn-Benton steps back into league action this Friday. The Roadrunners will play at Meketa Community College at the Activities Center. Admission is free to students.



Photo by Trevor Gleason

Shelly West pounds another kill against the Pacific JVs Wednesday. West had 17 kills in the match to go with 65 she picked up in the weekend tournament.

West makes all-tournament team, while injury claims another player over weekend

by Jessica Sprenger
of The Commuter

The Linn-Benton volleyball team finished seventh at the two-day Lower Columbia crossover tournament last weekend.

The Roadrunners finished second in pool play with victories over Pearce and Central Washington, splits with Highline and Skagit Valley and a loss to No. 1 Columbia Basin.

In bracket play, Linn-Benton faced Southern Division opponents Umpqua and Lane. The Roadrunners lost to the Timberwomen 15-10, 15-8 and fell to the Titans 16-14, 15-12.

In the final match of the tournament, Linn-Benton was without the services of Alesha Irish, who severely sprained her ankle and is out for a week and a half, defeated host Lower Columbia 8-15, 15-3, 15-10.

Shelly West paced the Roadrunners with 65 kills, 18 blocks and eight service aces and was named to the all-tournament team. Irish finished with 35 kills and 20 aces, 13 during the first day.

Carisa Norton stepped in and set for Linn-Benton because regular setter Melissa Troyer hurt her ankle Saturday and was down with the flu on Friday.

Coach Jayme Fraizer also commended the defensive play of Stacey Bennett and Shannon Rowe.

"We had some great games that if we would have won would have set us better for the bracket, but also mentally," Frazier said. "It had to be a team effort at the end."

Club sports option for those not ready to retire

Kevin Kendall
Commuter

Students now have the opportunity to organize their own "club sports" program that was started last year. According to Tammi Paul Bryant, student activities coordinator, the program was started due to the growing number of students who wanted to play sports not offered at LBCC. Though soccer is the only existing club right now, there is much interest in starting clubs for both sand and volleyball, tennis, lacrosse, basketball and roller hockey. Bryant, "All they need is for one person to organize them and there isn't any reason why these sports couldn't

start practice next week."

All it takes is eight students who want to play and one staff member willing to be an advisor and fill out a club charter form in the Student Programs office. Once recognized by the student government as a club, they receive the same privileges as other campus clubs. According to Bryant, "They have access to the vans on campus for travel, meeting rooms, and all the campus facilities if they want to do a fund raiser." The clubs also receive \$50 in start-up money put in their own revenue account.

The soccer club that was started last spring got to play clubs from the University of Oregon, Oregon State, local high school teams, and even took a road trip to Bend to take on COCC.

PUBLIC DIRECTORY INFORMATION

By law, the following information is considered public information:

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- weight and height of athletic team members;
- dates of attendance;
- school or division enrollment;
- degrees & awards received.

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MISCELLANEOUS

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SCHOLARSHIPS

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Over my dead body

Muggings, rape, beatings, hate crimes—these are some of the crimes that occur on college campuses across the nation, and more and more of these atrocious crimes occur every day.

But these crimes are likely only to increase because of one thing: Students are unarmed and defenseless against their attackers.

Students are powerless because virtually every college campus has banned outright the possession of firearms. Even if a student carried a concealed weapons permit they would not be allowed to carry their weapon to defend themselves. At LBCC, as well as OSU and U of O this is true, regardless of how it violates the Second Amendment and Oregon's own Constitution.

First let's look at what the Constitution says about the right to bear arms, not bare arms. The U.S. Constitution, Amendment 2, states:

"A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed."

The constitution clearly states in plain language that the right of the people to bear arms shall not be infringed, infringed meaning reduced or taken away. Notice that it makes no mention of Congress taking this away, as the First Amendment does. This implies that no one can take this right away.

The Oregon Constitution goes even further to protect our rights. In Section 27 it states:

"The people shall have the right to bear arms for the defense of themselves, and the State, but the Military shall be kept in strict subordination to the civil power."

Not very many people are aware of this clause in our State Constitution—obviously, given the meager outcry when gun controls sail through our State Legislature. This also throws out the feeble argument that the Second Amendment is for "hunting rifles."

Now that we have cleared up what the law says about carrying weapons, let me tell you why we really should be allowed to carry our guns, with few restrictions, on campus.

Let me make it clear that I advocate letting ONLY registered guns, carried by people with a concealed weapons permit. ONLY these responsible people should be allowed to carry their weapons on campus.

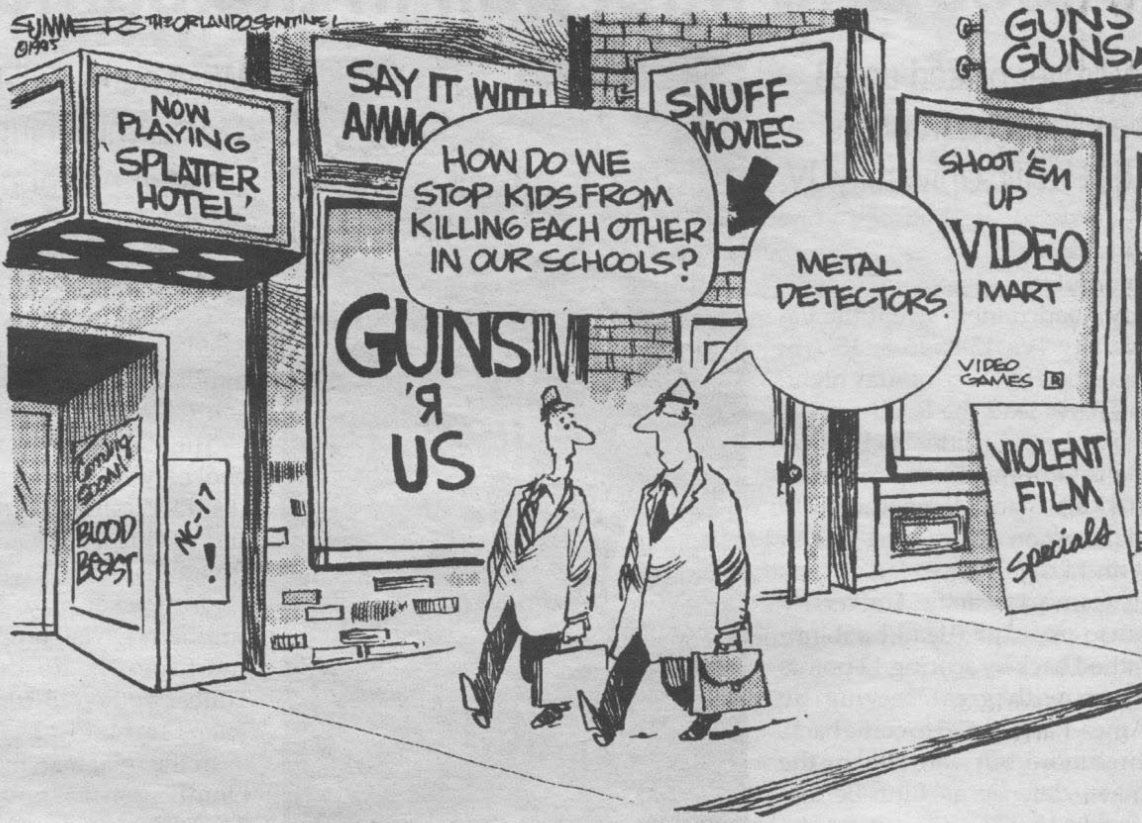
Consider if you will, that if women were allowed to carry handguns maybe violence against women may be reduced.

I would say that most potential rapists or muggers would think twice about attacking some "helpless" woman if there was some slight chance she may be packing a .45 Magnum. In fact I think the presence most all criminals on campuses would be reduced because of that one small chance their illicit behavior may cost them their life.

I would be overjoyed if LBCC and every other campus in Oregon were to lift the campus arms ban so that responsible students and citizens could protect themselves by the authority of the State of Oregon and the United States of America.

Unfortunately, most college administrations cling to the mistaken belief that guns equal violence, and I'm afraid things aren't likely to change at any time soon.

But I will continue to say what I believe, even at the risk of offending someone. But I don't care. If it takes offending someone to defend our sacred Constitution, I will do it.



paul turner

Politically correct: Often to make anything political is to render it very far from correct

When one breaks down the term "Politically Correct," it would be very easy to see it as an oxymoron. Often, to make anything political is to render it very far from correct. But the term "Politically Correct" (or PC) has become so entrenched in our modern vocabulary we don't look at the absurdity of such a combination of words—kinda like jumbo shrimp and hot water heater (why would we heat water already hot?).

But when one looks at the idea behind politically correctness, suddenly it doesn't seem so absurd. It doesn't take much to realize that our American vocabulary is littered with phrases and ideas designed to belittle and degrade women and ethnic minorities. It does stand to reason that the first step in making this a better planet for those who have been oppressed is to eliminate the language which perpetuates such ways of thinking. This is a good thing to stop.

However, there are times that it is taken too far — as with any endeavor to effect change. Recently, at another college newspaper, an article ran in which a concerned member of the editorial staff changed all the references to "black" people to "African-American." To most this would seem a natural course of action. However, the article was about black people from many different countries, not just Africa. So this attempt to remain PC ended up offending some people. Such is life. Since it was a college newspaper, almost everyone agreed that this was where such mistakes are made and such lessons learned.

Recently, one of my columns offended a few people. Normally, that doesn't warrant notice, since anytime anyone writes anything and affixes a name to it, someone is going to complain. If one writes for any length of time, one becomes rather desensitized to people who feel you didn't address their issue correctly or that this group or that group was maligned. This is a bad thing because there are times when I do make mistakes and I don't notice it.

Recently I referred to a store in which it was difficult to see shoplifters as "having more blind spots than Stevie Wonder." Since Mr. Wonder saw no reason to write me and give me hell for using his name in such a way, I figured no problem.

Wrong.

The editor of The Commuter very reluctantly had to tell me that it kinda hit the fan after that column ran and proceeded to show me some letters and tell me about the fax received. I was sorry for the distress it seemed to have caused him. The people who com-

plained used some interesting adjectives describing me. "Insensitive" was one that come up often. If that means I am insensitive, Wonder fans who think he's beyond poking then, yes, I am. Even though I did buy "S



Key of Life, "I don't anything that defies sarcasm insensitive to disabled people. Why I am not is not a damned business, but it is close to home. Even though who described themselves as disabled let my editor know I thought I was pond scum. There are those who my metaphor offensive.

To those people I do sincerely apologize. In the future I will endeavor to recognize material that may be offensive in such a manner.

Another common adjective used to describe me is "immature". To that I say: "Am not! Am not! Na Naaa Na!"

Something I did find disturbing was that I wanted to go on record as having found the article distasteful. Since I'm the one whose name is every week next to my work, I find it offensive that others will not take the same risk of ridicule. Especially when they take shots at me from the editor.

The point is, this is a college paper. The college paper is to give writers a place to make mistakes before they head out into the world. Feedback is important for this — but there is a difference between feedback and hypersensitive analysis which serves no purpose except to unnecessarily attach a string of adjectives to a word.

For those of you who cannot understand why my column appears on the editorial page, well, this is not hard news. It is just an opinion column. If you can't handle it, look for my byline, then don't read it.

Next time I do choose to use Stevie Wonder in a comparison that the PC crowd finds offensive, I will publish the letter to me or to Letters to the Editor. I will not be published. While you're at it, send one to "Saturday Night Live" does things to Stevie that would make the anally-retentive PC type the most negative epithet. It should be noted that Mr. Wonder has personally appeared in many of those commercials that make fun of both his ethnicity and disability.



EXPRESS YOURSELF

Readers are encouraged to use The Commuter's "Opinion" pages to express their views on campus, college, and national issues. The Commuter office is College Center Room 10. Submissions may be in the form of a letter to the editor or, for topics that require deeper analysis, guest columns. Letters should be no more than one page and will be edited for grammar and spelling. In order to confirm the authorship of letters, they must include a phone number and address included (phone numbers and addresses will not be published).

OPINION PAGE

Perot: A gorilla in the midst of donkeys and elephants

Petryszak
Commuter

baseball season winds down, and the football season begins to heat up, some key players are indicated for the upcoming political season could be the things we've seen in almost... well, almost two

age of sensationalism and exaggeration, even if it is made out to be a "fundamental shift in the mind of the American people... blah, blah, blah," in reality the only shift to take place will be a shifting from the BIA to the CIA, or a shift of money from the NEA to money wasted on the DEA.

However, the election of 1996 could prove to be one of the most exciting due, again, to the actions of Perot's favorite eccentric (some say paranoid, megalomaniac, or just plain crazy) Texan, H. Ross Perot. If he accomplishes nothing else, Perot has at least managed to elevate politics from a two-dimensional game to deceive voters and prey upon their fears with high rhetoric and dire predictions of life without the other party to a bizarre and twisted form of entertainment, where voters watch the candidates vie to see who can say the craziest things while maintaining a straight face.

In an apparent attempt to keep the two major parties on their toes, Perot has announced his intention to create a third party which he insists is not a furtherance of his own political agenda, but a legitimate alternative party; "the big gorilla", to use Ross' words, which will be active in the '96 election and will be appearing on CNN's "Larry King Live," Perot insists that he would not be the party's presidential pick, and that the party was searching for the man for the job. When King suggested Colin Powell, Perot responded by saying that the party's pick would be "someone of that stature."

Other possible candidates that have been mentioned (though not by Perot or themselves) include basketball star and Senator Bill Bradley and Nixon and Reagan speech writer and reaction-



ary buffoon Pat Buchanan (remember, the guy in '92 who wanted to build the "Tortilla Wall" between Texas and Mexico).

Another possible, but unannounced, candidate is Perot's remarkably thoughtful and articulate running mate from the '92 campaign, Jonathon Stockdale. With prospects like this, the party's success seems almost assured.

Before we get too carried away celebrating the return of qualified leadership and honest, efficient government in this country, there are a few questions which need to be answered.

First and foremost, how is this new party to be funded? Perot bankrolled his own presidential bid in 1992, and has been providing the cash to fund his true-believers' petition drive to get the party on the ballots in time for the '96 election.

But he will be severely limited in the amount of his own money that he can spend on the party's political endeavors if it becomes a legitimate political party. Without access to Perot's deep pocket, the party will have to solicit donations from other sources.

Then the leaders of the party will have to decide whether to accept corporate donations, take money from PACs, ask the party's supporters to each send in a modest contribution a la Jerry Brown, or a combination of the three.

Most likely, the party will end up taking money from corporations and special interest groups. These contributions will not only reduce Perot's influence and importance within the party, but will also make it just like the Republican and Democratic parties: a big-money operation run by a clique of slick, shortsighted accountants more concerned about retaining the party's financial backing from the lobbyists rather than doing what is best for the country.

One wonders if this new party, once it receives some fat donations from the NRA or Morton-Thiokol, will be any more likely to address issues such as term limits, lobbying reform, or campaign-finance reform.

When the amount of work the party has ahead of it becomes clear, it makes sense that some one may think that Perot doesn't really want to get involved in the mechanics of government, but prefers to play the role he played in 1992- standing on the sidelines telling the major-party candidates that they're full of it. His party doesn't even have a name yet.

Perot first called his gang of merry men the "Independence party", but apparently a bunch of white supremacists down in California has already banded together under that moniker, so Ross changed its name to the "Reform Party", which, if you ask me, sounds like a political group made up of juvenile delinquents. Why not just keep the name "Patriot Party" from '92? And how about a campaign theme song? Anyone with a suggestion should call 1-800-96-PARTY and tell them to change the name, too).

All kidding aside, I would welcome the chance to vote FOR something in '96 rather than voting AGAINST the most incompetent schmuck and hoping the slightly less incompetent schmuck I vote for doesn't turn out to be a psychotic imbecile bent on playing the part of one of the four horsemen of the apocalypse.

Unfortunately, not enough is known about Perot's party for me or anyone else to welcome it as a breath of fresh air on the political landscape. For the party to truly be the "big gorilla" on the political scene, it needs to step out of the mist and let the voters take a good look at it.

commentary

Student fees help make the small voices heard on campus

Bjornson
Commuter

Week Erik Bootsma used a third of a page of the newspaper to declare that mandatory student fees violated his First Amendment right to freedom of speech. He used this paper, a product of the very institution famous for denouncing. The axis of his argument is that fees are being spent to support narrow agendas.

Bootsma argued that spending money toward programs such as intramural sports or educational lectures is not worthwhile. Then let me ask you this: What is the narrow agenda?

Are there any people on this campus regularly participating in intramural sports? Do the lecture halls become empty when a visiting speaker? And does the majority of the student body read this paper? The answer is yes, and unfortunately, no.

Do these groups have a narrow agenda? Of course yes, that is why they attract certain people who have distinct interests. Yet in his polluted and politeness-trained mind, he can single these out as worthwhile while shunning others that are equally important.

There is a huge secret that most groups on campus do not know about: their agendas, with the exception of student fees, which attempts to be all-inclusive. Person-

ally, as a fairly well-informed student, I don't know of any unethical or unconstitutional political fringe group on this campus.

What are these phantom political fringe groups that Bootsma is terrified his money will be spent to support?

Are they real, or just a product of a conservative individualist who is trying to make his views known (or a starving student who wants to hang on to a couple of bucks per term)?

Student fees are used to support livestock judging, the performing arts, the culinary department, the Women's Center, graduation, the student handbook, athletics, auto technology, "The Eloquent Umbrella," the Valley Writers Series, the Children's Winter Festival, automation of the library and the sand volleyball courts. These programs are hardly unworthy of support, unless you believe them to be political fringe programs.

"Any reasoning person," Bootsma writes, "would agree that if student governments and other groups are good and worthy, an optional fee would be adequate to fund them." What turnip cart did he fall off? If he really believes that, then his ideology needs to go back to the shop for a tune-up.

Who decides what is good and worthy? Him? Or the students who are involved in clubs and academic

functions that aren't included on the conservative-political-agenda list of worthiness? And another thing, would that plan, in all fairness, work?

The handful of student writers who want their literary works published couldn't possibly afford the cost of producing "The Eloquent Umbrella," but thanks to those infamous student fees their voice is heard. I want to call out for what is right, I want a choice in this matter. I want to go to a school that is known for its wide array of student-sponsored and supported programs. I want to be associated with an institution that strives to make the small voices heard.

But it doesn't really matter what I or anyone else wants to individuals who need a political cause—for those who want to promote their own personal agendas. (Not to be confused with narrow agendas, a Bootsmalesque catch-phrase.)

And really, is the \$24-per-term fee that we pay really that large in comparison to all that it is used for? How can you measure the value of the student fees by numbers when the benefits of the programs are so individual?

If Bootsma and his band of merry scaremongers truly feel that student fees should be abolished, then fine. Let's stamp a big red C on their foreheads and bar them from student-fee sponsored plays, sporting events, the newspaper, graduation. . . .

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Don't make me use this—my dog is loaded

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — A woman faces a variety of charges, including animal cruelty and driving under the influence, after allegedly using her small dog like a club on a Tulsa police officer.

Tulsa County prosecutors charged Debby Louise Wiggs, 37, Thursday for allegedly using her brown Pomeranian to pummel Officer Charlie Tapper during a traffic stop.

In addition to animal cruelty, she was charged with assault and battery on a police officer, transporting a loaded firearm and driving under the influence of alcohol.

At one point, Tapper said the woman held the dog by one of its legs and flailed him with the animal.

"I had one hand under control, and she used the other hand to grab the dog by the scruff of its neck and started hitting me with it," Tapper said.

Tapper said the episode began when the woman drove up next to him and started honking and yelling. She also made an obscene gesture, he said.

The woman then swerved off the street, drove over a curb and parked on a sidewalk.

"When she got out of the car, her first words to me were, 'I have a weapon on me. Go ahead and shoot me,'" Tapper said.

The animal yelped as she swung it, Tapper said.

Ms. Wiggs, reached by telephone Friday, declined to discuss the incident but said the animal was not harmed. She reclaimed the dog from animal control officers following her release from jail.

"The dog is just fine," she said. "He was just trying to protect me."

Tapper, who was not seriously injured, said a .22-caliber pistol was found in the woman's car.

"In 15 years in the police department, I've never had an encounter like this," he said. "It was strange."

So you say you want to go to a small college

EUGENE, Ore. (AP) — There is no skipping class at Gutenberg College, and no zoning out in mid-lecture, either. If any of the school's students were to be absent, it would be noticed.

There are, after all, only four of them.

With a student body of such size, the entire campus is a former fraternity house shared with the McKenzie Study Center near the University of Oregon.

It has no football team, although the faculty and students recently put together a soccer team that goes by the catchy name of "Gutenberg College Soccer Team."

"OK, we don't have a mascot yet — we haven't really thought about that," explains Gabe Miller, a 19-year-old sophomore from Snohomish, Wash.

In its second year of operation, Gutenberg is a radical experiment in education struggling to survive despite near-zero name recognition, a lack of funding and facilities, and a trend in higher education toward specialization rather than general liberal arts.

David Crabtree, 42, is the president of this college, where faculty outnumber students by a two-to-one ratio. "That's got to be the best student-faculty ratio in the country," said Crabtree.

The intense attention given to students is stimulating, said Kristina Rediske, a 21-year-old sophomore from Portland.

"There are days I wonder, 'What am I doing here?'" she said. "Then you find yourself in a discussion, your brain actually breaks into a sweat and you say to yourself, 'Hey, I've learned something today — really learned something.'"

There is no specialization at Gutenberg. In fact, faculty members say there really is only one class at the college—one massive, long-running dialogue, the "Great Conversation," which shifts constantly from science to math, to literature and to the classics.

"I've spent 15 years of my life in college and have had some excellent professors," reflects Crabtree. "But there were just too many times when, quite frankly, the system got in the way of learning."



Jet powered mowers leave Toro in the grass

HAVRE De GRACE, Md. (AP) — The "Dixie Chopper" is the big daddy of all lawn mowers, a grass-exterminating monster powered by a jet helicopter engine.

It will have to contend with the likes of "The Turfinator," "The Lawn Ranger" and "Shake, Rattle and Mow."

They will be rumbling around a Harford County airport Sunday, competing for bragging rights, not money. The winner gets a trophy and the chance to compete next year in the national lawn mower race in Chicago.

The race is the last in a series of 12 regional lawn mower races this year sanctioned by the U.S. Lawn Mower Racing Association and sponsored by STABIL, a gas treatment product for small engines.

The association's 300 members are self-admittedly a weird lot.

There's the guy from Texas who wears a helmet-cam during races. There's the guy from Chicago who

CHAOS by Brian Shuster



It looked like the chase had come to an end, until Rusty stumbled onto the long-lost McGregor chain-saw.

has printed his own trading cards though it's not clear if he has anyone to trade them with.

And then there are Art Elsner, 61, and Steve Steyer, 34, both of Havre de Grace. Elsner owns a lawn care service in Webster near Havre de Grace. Jones is a chief mechanic. They took a scrap-heap 1972 riding mower and rebuilt it into a gleaming racing machine.

The motor's governor, which limits power, was removed, and the gears were changed to allow for faster speeds. A motorcycle brake was added to the front.

The five-speed, 18-horsepower mower now goes 40 mph, they said.

What's its top speed?

"We really haven't opened it up," Elsner said. "We know it'll do 50, but beyond that, we don't know."



Cool cat spends eight hours in one night

SEATTLE (AP) — A brown tabby kitten named "Chilly" after surviving a night in a freezer, is now living to mew about it.

Seattle police believe two boys are responsible for turning on the refrigerator in the basement of a Park apartment building, sticking the 4-month-old kitten in the freezer portion and leaving her there overnight. A city animal control enforcement supervisor said he was called to the scene.

An apartment manager heard mewing in the morning and called 911.

The kitten's paws were stuck to the bottom of the freezer, so an animal control officer unplugged the refrigerator, then placed Chilly in a heater in his vehicle for about an hour.

Had her rescuers been any later, Chilly might not have made it, said Dr. Stanley Coe, the veterinarian treating her at Elliott Bay Animal Hospital.

On Saturday, Chilly still was recuperating. Coe wanted to see how much tissue damage she had received from the thermal-like burns. Depending on how deep it goes, Coe said he might have to amputate her toes. Her tail seems to be quite painful, too.

But overall, her prognosis is good, he said. "Cats have remarkable healing abilities," he said. "She's alert and getting lots of special attention." "All of my employees are spending more time with her than on their regular job," Coe said.

"She seems to be kind of a little fighter," he said. "She doesn't give us any problems — she's a good patient."

Jordan estimates she spent seven or eight hours in the freezer, but he speculated that the freezer had been running at full capacity since the boys turned it on. The refrigerator was one of several in a laundry room of this apartment building.

Animal control said it would recommend criminal charges be filed against the boys, ages 12 and 13, who live in the building. Police questioned the boys Thursday and released them to their parents, Jordan said.

Animal control will cover Chilly's vet costs. The boys' parents have already had a lot of calls from people who want to donate money.

The 911 operator who took the call reported the incident to adopt Chilly, KIRO-TV reported.