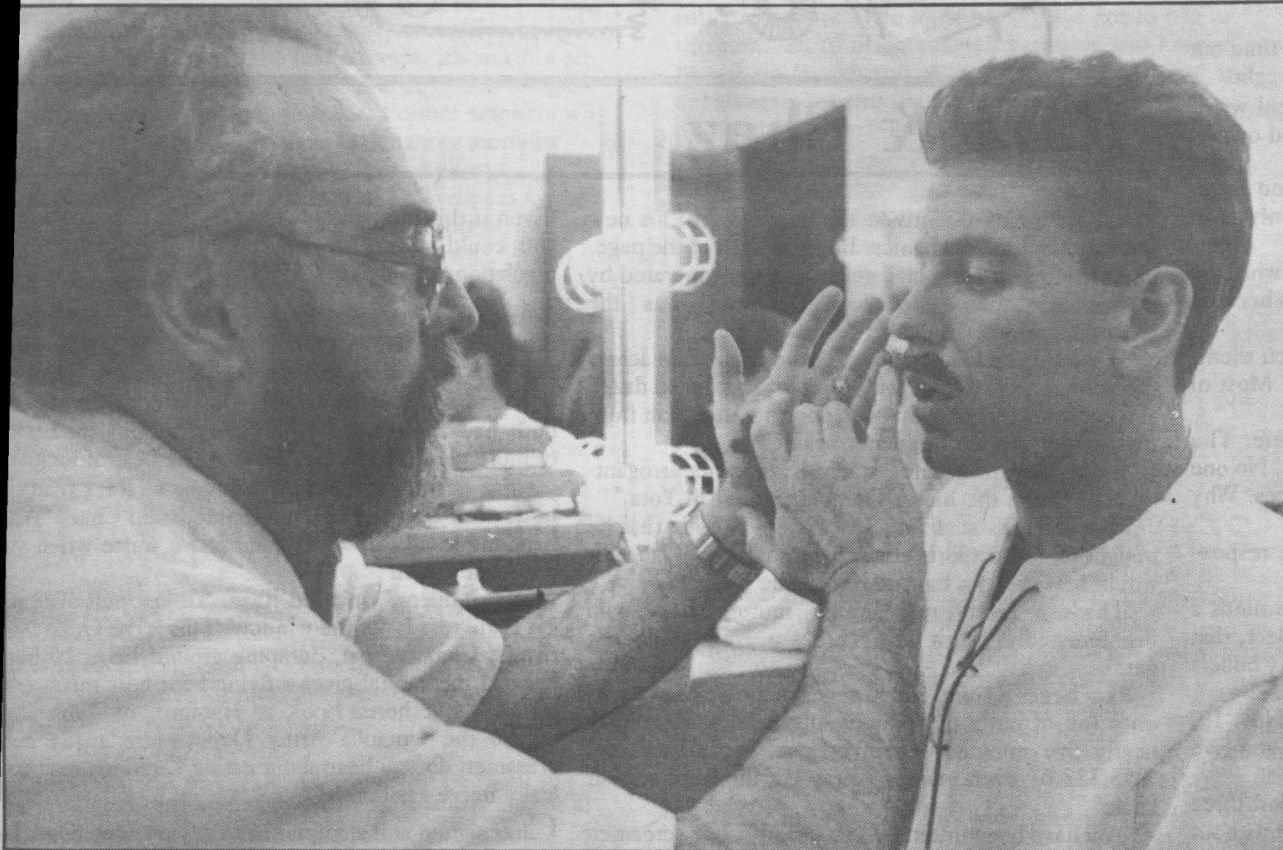


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Peach Fuzz

Carl Lofstead, teacher of theatrical makeup, speeds up the maturing process of actor Bruce Blanchard with a few age lines, a little blush, a tuft of fake hair and some latex adhesive. The final performances of "The Fantasticks" are this weekend. Curtain times are 8:15 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 2:15 p.m. Sunday.

Colleges warned to cut loan defaults

Officials worried that LBCC's loan default rate may be too high

By Pete Kozak
Of The Commuter Staff

Recent threats from the U.S. Department of Education to cut off financial aid to colleges with high default rates could become a reality if LBCC's Guaranteed Student Loan (GSL) defaults increase in the next two years.

The measures, announced by Education Secretary William J. Bennett, could suspend or terminate all federal student loan programs for any college, university or other post-secondary school with a GSL default rate exceeding 20 percent by 1990. Besides GSLs, other threatened programs include Pell Grants and work-study.

The Department of Education defines a defaulter as anyone scheduled to begin repaying a loan in a given fiscal year but who has failed to do so by the end of the following fiscal year.

According to Financial Aid Director Lance Popoff, Linn-Benton's default rate for GSLs processed through Oregon banks currently stands at 21.1 percent. The rate for loans financed through out-of-state lenders was not immediately available, he said.

However, Popoff was quick to point out that since the state of Oregon considers "delinquent" any loan repayment 120 days behind schedule, the actual LBCC default rate as defined by the U.S. Department of Education is probably lower.

Still, Popoff expressed surprise at the school's default rate and said LBCC students could be "potentially affected" by Bennett's proposals.

If enacted in its proposed form, "it's going to hurt a lot of people," Popoff said.

While agreeing that some action is needed to curb GSL defaults, which average 13 percent nationwide, Popoff nonetheless expressed concern at the government's plan to penalize schools for problems caused by some borrowers.

"On the one hand, legislation is probably overdue," he said. "On the other hand, there's not much an institution can do" to prevent loan defaults.

Secretary Bennett has said that while individual borrowers are chiefly responsible for the program's ills—estimated to cost the government \$1.6 billion in fiscal 1988—schools must also be held accountable for failing to administer the program properly.

While this may be the case with some institutions, Popoff said this does not explain LBCC's high default rate. Even if a school complies with the program's regulations, as LBCC has done, it can do little to insure that loans are repaid.

"How can you hold a school responsible for administering a program the way the federal government wants and then be responsible for students (to repay)? That doesn't make a lot of sense to me," he said.

Popoff explained that schools are responsible for verifying a loan applicant's eligibility and for determining whether that student has a previous default record.

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Student workers in short supply

By Michael Calunod
Of The Commuter Staff

An unusual shortage of work study students this year has put a strain on campus services and could lead to an increase in food prices in the cafeteria.

"The people just aren't coming in," said Sally Wojahn, Financial Aid coordinator in charge of work study. Normally, there is a rush of work study applicants at the beginning of school, she said, but it was obvious by the third day of fall term that something was wrong.

Approximately 253 jobs are available for the 426 students eligible, she said. But only 195 jobs have been filled, leaving 58 openings—about 25 more than usual, she said.

Workstudy is a financial aid grant that allows students to earn up to \$1,500 working for approved jobs in college offices, labs, and grounds.

Consequences of the shortage are that some offices are taking longer to perform services, and—in the case of Food Services—a possible increase in cafeteria prices.

"If I don't get more work study students soon," said Gene Neville, Food Service manager, "I'll have to hire outside help." Funds for part-time workers aren't in the budget, he said, so the money to pay for the help to maintain current services would have to come from increasing food prices.

Of the 29 workstudy openings in Food Services, only about 14 are filled, Neville said, adding, "Everybody has had to pick up the additional load."

The library and offices in Takena are feeling the pressure of lack of workers as well, said Wojahn. Staff members have to take the time to do some basic tasks formerly done by work study students, which makes it hard to keep up with their regular work.

By re-allocating unclaimed workstudy grants to new students, Wojahn said she is confident the shortage of workers can be cleared up by the start of winter term. Financial Aids is currently canceling the grants of students who fail to use them, she said. Thus freeing the funds for other students. Students interested in becoming eligible should fill out a form at Financial Aids in Takena Hall. It takes about six weeks to process the paper work to determine eligibility.

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Editorial

Hunger haunts the holidays

There barely thrives a ravenous creature in the wild city. A more terrible beast than addiction, it makes the street its habitat and the alley its feasting ground. Drug abuse is a disease, and so is poverty.

Usually alone, sometimes in pairs but almost never in groups over three, hungry human beings return to the primal quest of hunting and gathering. As winter digs its icy fingernails into the neck of the earth, some will stalk through the forest in search of a brown-eyed buck to fill the freezer.

Other less fortunate people will huddle on street corners and seek shelter from the wind in doorways, picking through restaurant dumpsters for their daily bread.

One of the street creatures, who called himself "O-gu-la" took time out from his afternoon breakfast of discarded broccoli to share a thought.

He said, "The cooks throw out a lot of good food. Sometimes I wait, I hide and they bring warm food. That is good because it is cold outside. I know what time to be here."

What kind of a society would allow even one of its own kind to go hungry without lifting a finger to help? Many lift a certain finger only as an obscene admission of apathy.

"Fend for yourself!" the lucky and employed say. That is just what the street creatures do. They are forced to gather and eat garbage not because they are lazy but because they exist in limiting circumstances.

Most of them could learn a skill but who will volunteer to teach them? Most of them would like to work but who will give them a job? Most of them lack the self-esteem. Who will build their confidence?

The source of the problem lies not with these individuals alone. The greatest factor is a national attitude of discrimination against them. No one should be thought of as less than human on the grounds of finances. Why kick a man when he's down?

When a hunter wounds an animal, that creature becomes the responsibility of the hunter. It was his bullet.

When a society, based on possessions and centered on self, wounds a fellow human spiritually by discrimination and physically by neglect, that society is responsible for the person's well being. Count how many bullets you have fired without tracking the wounded.

In the news there is word of an event happening on Thursday, Nov. 19, designed to help the hungry. People are asked to fast all day long and give the money they didn't "eat" to the Oregon Food Share.

Is it so much to ask? Have you ever made a bag of potato chips last three meals between three people? What is the longest you have gone without eating? Have you ever felt the pain of a shrinking stomach or suffered the dehydration that comes with malnutrition?

As you prepare for Thanksgiving and ponder all you have to be thankful for, think on this. O-gu-la will be eating something if he is lucky and will bow his head in thanks saying, "Oh God, thank you for this food and thank you for keeping me alive. Amen."

Enjoy your turkey.

-Chuk Bacon



Razz & Chaz

Razz sat gazing intently at the centerfold of his new Popular Nuclear Mechanics. In the middle of the page, underneath a sparsely clad geiger counter (operated by a heavily armored female technician), was the N-Reactor of his dreams.

"What are you reading now?" asked Chaz from across the table, eager to learn why Razz was acting so dazed and confused, "Have you been snorting the freon from the bottom of the refrigerator again?"

"It's my new magazine," stated Razz rather arrogantly, "and this is the motor I'm going to put in Yota."

Yota is Razz's screaming red Toyota Corolla that he bought off some sports editor from the Daily Planet. It would have been a bargain at half the price.

"That's a pretty neat lookin' motor," Chaz said disinterestedly. "How many miles per gallon does it get?"

Razz began a complicated series of integral equations on a roll of puffy pink double-ply toilet tissue. After nearly five minutes of conversions, he blurted out, "955,322.6—even more if you've got the wind at your back."

"You have been into the freon again!" Chaz screamed as he grabbed the magazine out of his friend's hand and began reading the text. "What in the name of Ford and everything else that's holy, is a water cooled, 4000cc, double over-under plutonium injected, Redball Mark II?"

"That's my engine," said Razz rather nonchalantly, "that is if those Arabs don't get to it first again."

"You're crazy," Chaz said as he rolled on the floor.

"Even if this monster would fit in that heap out there you could never get it licensed. They have strict regulations of this kind of thing."

Just as Razz was about to speak, the postman came to the door with a registered letter for the junior Einstein. It was a letter from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the Department of the Interior saying that both had approved the necessary permits for his intrepid endeavor, and wished him the best of luck.

Chaz nearly swallowed his tongue as Razz read the news with a smile. "Wait a minute," said Chaz, "What happens to all that nasty radioactive waste when you put in new fuel?"

"No problem," quipped Razz, "I'll just pull over at a 7-11 and toss it out the window! This is the Great Northwest Chaz ole pal, dumping ground USA. Nobody back in the capital gives a flying hoot how much crap piles up out here. Look at Hanford, or Trojan, or maybe the Umatilla Army Depot—how many congressmen do you hear about eating C-rations next to a leaky nerve-gas bomb?"

Chaz sighed and slumped back down to the floor. He knew how bad things could get when Razz was on one of his righteous trips. Only time and a sedative or two could bring him back around. Then there would probably be a lot of explaining to do; perhaps a telegram to Donald P. Hodell, or a phone call to Howard Baker.

It really didn't matter, Chaz picked himself up, grabbed the chain saw and headed outside to help Razz make a few alterations on his car.

Letters

Retired teacher knocks Commuter

To the Editor:

I made a grave mistake when I was on campus last Monday night. I picked up a copy of The Commuter, and now I must address the problem of awful journalism.

This year's paper suffers from a variety of inadequacies which I will

address only on the copy which I am returning to you.

Let me say that there is no virtue in change for change sake only. There must be good reason for change. When one has a winning paper, what is the point of a change just because the editor is new. I think you need to consult your textbook on what makes a good paper.

Shirley Call
former LBCC English Teacher

ASLBCC thanks business class

To the Editor:

We would like to thank the students in Larry Schuetz' statistics class for the exceptional job they did in acquiring signatures on the signal light petitions. We feel that this class out did themselves, and should be an example for LBCC to follow.

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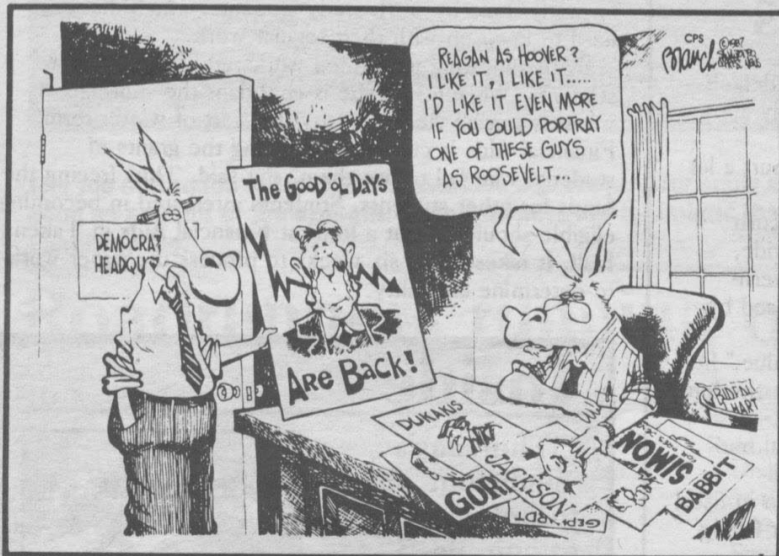
Why are we paying students money to fill the school newspaper with their personal ego-support? These editor's photos, personal editorials, and personal bylines ("Razz 'n Chaz") surely would not be allowed in any ethical publication, much less funded with taxes. Isn't someone responsible for supervising these "wits"?

Mike Z. Bennett

Humor is in the eye of the beholder. I'm sorry if you don't agree with some of our editorial decisions, but I'm glad you at least read the paper. To clear up a few misconceptions: Although we do receive student monies, we are not tax funded. I'm not sure what "ethical" publications you read—we're not the Christian Science Monitor, or the Plain

Truth—in any case, I see nothing unethical about any column on our editorial page. Personal bylines have been around since the first newspapers. (Does this mean Mark Twain is unethical as well?). If you fail to appreciate the humor on page 2, feel free to read the other 7 pages; there's a little bit of everything for almost everybody.

Matt Rasmussen, editor



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Local efforts promote 'Smokeout'

By Matt Rasmussen
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If you have ever wanted to kick the smoking habit and get that tobacco monkey off your back once and for all, then tomorrow could be your lucky day.

Thursday, Nov. 19, marks the 11th annual Great American Smokeout, sponsored by the American Society.

The smokeout is an upbeat, good-natured effort to encourage smokers to give up cigarettes and other forms of tobacco for 24 hours. According to the Cancer Society, during last year's smokeout a record-breaking 23.8 million smokers tried to quit a day.

Although many former smokers report not being able to give up the habit on the first attempt, it's worth a second or third try as doctors state that cessation of smoking reduces the risk of lung cancer. Former smokers who quit 15 or more years ago have lung cancer mortality rates only slightly above those for nonsmokers.

ASLBCC, Student Programs and the Wellness Committee are sponsoring the smokeout on campus with a variety of events.

According to ASLBCC Representative Jim Thomas, Student Programs is sponsoring an "Adopt-a-Smoker," program for Thursday, along with an information table highlighting the risks of smoking. Students also stuffed recent payroll envelopes with monsmoking hints.

"I think it's a cause worthy of a lot of student and staff interest," said Thomas, "and we're going to do our best to

get the word out."

The American Cancer Society offers tips to smokers trying to quit for a day, such as: destroy all cigarettes by breaking them in half and wetting them down; exercise to relieve tension; put all your match books in jar to save for a power failure; throw your lighters away, or ask a friend to hold on to them; clean and hide ashtrays to remove sight and odor reminders of cigarettes; stock up on treats that will make your success easier, such as sweets, fresh fruit or vegetables, fruit juices or diet drinks.

They also suggest tips for friends who are helping smokers to quit. The most basic tip is not to nag or threaten, but to make yourself available and keep in contact. A tip for the end of the day is to offer praise and encouragement and urge the smoker to stay off smoking now that they have made it through a day.

An interesting fact offered by the society is that only one third of smokers gain weight when they give up cigarettes, one third actually lose weight as a result of combining a fitness program with their efforts to quit.

Lung cancer is the number one cause of cancer death among both men and women. An estimated 92,000 men and 44,000 women will die of lung cancer in 1987, says the cancer society.

"Get in the pink," urges the poster. "As soon as you stop smoking your lungs start repairing and cleaning themselves. It could just be your lucky day."



Overseas jobs offered for credit through ICE

LBCC students don't have to settle for an ordinary summer job. They can earn academic credits by assisting refugees in Thailand or working for a Turkish newspaper, a Japanese preschool, or a bank in Germany.

International Cooperative Education (ICE) is a program offered by LBCC Cooperative work experience Program through the Northwest International Education Association.

The association, which is dedicated to the promotion of international and intercultural education, is comprised of over 30 colleges and universities in the Western United States.

This is not the first time the program has been offered through LBCC, but it is the first time the program has been properly promoted, according to Richard Horton, ICE/CWE coordinator.

ICE provides students with the opportunity to increase their cultural awareness by working in a foreign country and living with a host family. Although many positions do not require foreign language, some require eligible students to be enrolled in a foreign language class, or have studied a foreign language in high school.

Prior to the summer experience, classes, seminars, and meetings will familiarize students with the country's social customs and language.

Some of the available jobs are in: Germany—banking, chemistry, computer technology, and export trade.

England—social services.

Japan—YMCA summer camp.

Thailand—social services.

Turkey—Advertising, publishing, and hotel management.

Students interested should have their applications for next summer turned in by Dec. 15. For more information contact Horton at the Career Center. 967-6102.

ADN program alters entrance policies

By Jim Finch
Of The Commuter Staff

Changes in admission procedures for the Associate Degree in Nursing will become effective winter term, according to Jacqueline Paulson, R.N., nursing department coordinator.

"Our intentions in changing the procedure are to provide students with a flexible program of study, and to increase enrollment," Paulson said.

Changes in the admissions process include: an extension of the application deadline, the addition of the National League for Nursing/Pre-Nursing and Guidance Examination (NLN) to Spring term, and the addition a third "track," or program of study, when space allows.

A meeting will be held Dec. 2 from 12-1 p.m. in the Willamette Room to provide information on the application process, the changes and how to get into the program. Paulson encourages those with questions to attend.

The application deadline has been changed from the March deadline of previous years to April 29, Paulson said.

The winter term NLN will allow people in Track B to

complete minimum requirements by the end of summer term so they can enter the program fall term.

By offering the exam spring term Paulson said students will be able to enroll in preparatory classes fall and winter terms to prepare themselves for the exam.

Also being added to the program is Track C, which is considered a "last track," she said.

"If space allows we will be adding Track C for those who miss the April 29 deadline," according to Paulson.

Because Track C is dependent on the availability of space, Paulson stressed that those interested in entering the program should depend upon the NLN's offered in February and March.

Arrangements to take the NLN can be made through the LBCC Student Assessment Center, extension 277.

Paulson said that she hopes these changes and changes made by Admissions in regards to the Comparative Guidance and Placement Examination will better prepare students for their chosen program of study.

Questions concerning the changes will be addressed at the meeting, or contact the Admissions office, 967-6106, or the Department of Nursing, 967-6107.

Student representatives don't like semesters

By Marco Coleman
Of The Commuter Staff

CCOSAC representatives have decided to educate their respective student bodies about the effects of the conversion from the quarter system to a semester system.

That decision came after a student representative from Clackamas Community College attempted to organize some form of opposition to the change.

CCOSAC, Community College of Oregon Students Association Commission, held their meeting at LBCC last week. It began Friday at 3 p.m. and continued until 11 p.m. that night, and resumed at 8 a.m. the following day concluding at noon.

"It would have been 'after-the-fact' to oppose the decision at this point," said Director of Student Programs Annie O'Brien Gonzales.

"Our focus is to educate people on the transition and not to take stand," said Humanities Representative Terri Rowell.

Rowell, who represented LBCC student council at the meeting, also said that some campuses are for and some are against the conversion, but the most important thing that she could do as a student council member was to

make students aware of how the changes will affect students.

The Oregon State Board of Higher Education voted to convert state universities from a quarter system to a semester system effective in the fall of 1990 last year.

LBCC President Tom Gonzales reluctantly decided to follow suit shortly afterwards.

Some of the advantages of the semester system cited by CCOSAC representatives were: Fewer registration periods are needed which would result in a savings for some community colleges; Half of the nation's colleges operate on an early semester system, therefore, textbooks, telecourses, and other educational products marketed nationally are designed to be used on a semester system; semesters offer an increase in time students are exposed to subjects allowing for more in-depth coverage.

Some of the disadvantages cited were: 30 weeks of classroom instruction as opposed 32 weeks on the current system; one third of lower division transfer classes would be dropped from the curriculum; cost of converting is estimated at about \$250,000 per college, and community colleges feel the needs of the community are better served when classes are offered in shorter blocks of time.

Commons curtails seating after 3 p.m.

Students accustomed to using the Commons for studying in the late afternoon may feel a little crowded due to janitorial shift changes.

Crowded, but not kicked out.

The first two rows of tables nearest the entrance will remain open for studying and snacking, while the rest of the Commons is being cleaned.

According to custodian Charles Mork, a curtain will separate the areas around 3:30 p.m. Students entering the Commons after that are asked to sit in the first two rows. Students already at the other tables are asked to move before 4 p.m., when the custodian returns to clean the area.

Mork explained that the change in the cleaning time is due to a maintenance shift change. Custodians used to clean the College Center on a graveyard shift from 11 p.m. to 7 a.m., but now work a swing starting at 3 p.m. in the afternoon and finishing up at 11 p.m.

Fulbright teachers adjust to LBCC

Three Europeans say teaching methods differ here

By Pete Kozak
Of The Commuter Staff

Three visiting instructors from Europe are doing their best to adjust to their new jobs, a new culture and— for one of them— a different language.

The three—Richard Greenhalgh and Yvonne Webb from Great Britain, and Leon Valk from the Netherlands—are teaching at LBCC this year as part of a Fulbright teacher exchange program.



Richard Greenhalgh,
England

of a different working environment.

Although the subject matter is basically the same, Greenhalgh said the structure of LBCC's courses are, "a bit different," from those he teaches at Paddington College in London.

"I'm working harder here," as a result, he said. Greenhalgh explained the LBCC courses rely more on textbooks to relay information while those at Paddington are lecture-oriented.

He finds advantages to the textbook approach, he said, because it allow students to come to each class better prepared.



Yvonne Webb,
England

Not only does her job here require that she learn a new approach to teaching her subject, she said, but it also requires that she learn more about the subject itself—American business and management methods, including its banking system.

"It's all very challenging," she added.

Webb, also from Paddington College, said the business courses there are "assignment-based," meaning that students are assigned problems requiring a multi-disciplinary solution and are then guided through the process by a team of instructors.

In contrast, courses here are "subject-based," Webb explained, with each aspect of business taught separately by a different instructor.



Leon Valk,
The Netherlands

classroom before a different group, he said.

In the Netherlands Valk said he teaches fewer classes for a longer period of time, which enables him to explore each topic in greater depth. And while he has studied the English language for many years, he said that teaching in English is sometimes frustrating. Finding the right words to explain a complex idea is often difficult.

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And each had high praise for the community college system in this country in general and for LBCC in particular.

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Leon Valk is from Ubbo Emmius, a teacher-training college located in Groningen, the Netherlands. Like the other two Fulbright instructors, he said he's still trying to adjust to LBCC's course structure. And while his colleagues here have been helpful, he said, the transition has not been an easy one.

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Loan default rates hard to monitor

Otherwise, any screening of the applicant is the bank's responsibility. Some banks conduct thorough credit investigations, he said, but because of the time involved in doing a credit check, many students go to banks with less stringent screening policies.

At any rate, if a bank is in compliance with federal regulations, any loan default will be reimbursed by the federal government.

"It's big business," Popoff said of the system. Because of the number of GSLs and other loan program applicants, he said it would be virtually impossible for the school to screen each student.

Last year alone, 1,866 LBCC students received financial aid of some sort, according to the Financial Aid Office. Of those 1,070 were GSL recipients, who received a total of about \$2 million.

For many students, GSLs are the only aid available, said Popoff. And if LBCC is penalized by the new regulations, he predicts that enrollment would drop significantly.

Popoff suggested a number of possible reasons why so many LBCC students with GSLs—about one out of five—default on their loans.

Over the last few years, he explained, many loan programs have been unable to meet the growing demand for loans and keep pace with inflation. The result, he said, has been that more students—including those considered "bad credit risks"—have turned to GSLs.

Also, many who take out loans quit school before earning their degrees. And because they don't complete their education, "a lot of people don't feel obligated to pay back (their loans)," he said.

In addition, many students have the added burden of supporting a family, he said, and for some, paying back their GSL has assumed a lower priority.

One way to curb the default rate might be to stipulate that the loans be used only for educational and related expenses, such as tuition, books, transportation and day-care—instead of other living expenses.

But even with these restrictions and more rigid screening of loan applicants, a certain number of defaults is to be expected, Popoff said.

That's "part of the price" of making loans available to needy students, he added.

Popoff said he hopes the proposed regulations will be modified before taking effect—otherwise loans may be unavailable to those who need them the most.

Welding students hold fund-raising wood raffle

By Matt Rasmussen
Of The Commuter Staff

Dreading the thought of trudging into the cold and rainy wilderness for that much needed winter firewood?

Then the welding students may have your winning ticket with their 5th annual Industrial Technical Society/American Welding Society wood raffle.

The winner will receive one chord of seasoned fir firewood. Tickets are \$1 and can be purchased from any welding student, or in IA 101.

According to Dennis Wood, welding instructor and ITS advisor, the drawing will be held on Nov. 30 in IA 101; ticket holders need not be present to win.

The American Welding Society has had a student chapter on campus for about 11 years, says Wood, there is a national level and local levels, through which Linn-Benton is affiliated.

Proceeds from the raffle go to the ITS club's co-curricular activities in the spring. A field trip is being planned and students are reviewing possible speakers for a future lecture.

"We have no itinerary as of yet," says Wood. "We have fund-raising projects now to pay for spring activities." Students build projects over the course of the year to raise money for activities as well.

Although the winner must provide transportation for the wood, the welding club will provide some muscle to help load the prize.

Winter term registration announced

Fully admitted Linn-Benton Community College students continuing from fall term may pick up their registration appointment slips at the Registration Office in Tadena Hall between Nov. 23 and Dec. 4.

Appointments are made according to the following alphabetical rotation: S-Z Dec. 7; A-E Dec. 8; F-K Dec. 9 and L-R Dec. 10. Students who miss their appointments, or fully admitted students returning after an absence, can register Dec. 11 or 14. Students who complete the process after Dec. 3 will be given an orientation and registration appointment on Dec. 16 or 30.

Open registration for full-time or part-time students begins Dec. 15 on a first-come, first serve basis.

New students who are fully admitted and working toward a degree through LBCC's Evening Degree Program will have a new student orientation on Dec. 14 at 7

p.m. Returning fully admitted Evening Degree student may register by appointment Dec. 7-14 at the Evening Degree registration from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Dec. 14 or during open registration beginning on Dec. 15.

Credit and non-credit Community Education registration will begin on Dec. 7 at the four Community Education Center offices in Corvallis, Albany, Lebanon, and Sweet Home. Registration at the centers for main Albany campus classes runs Dec. 16-31.

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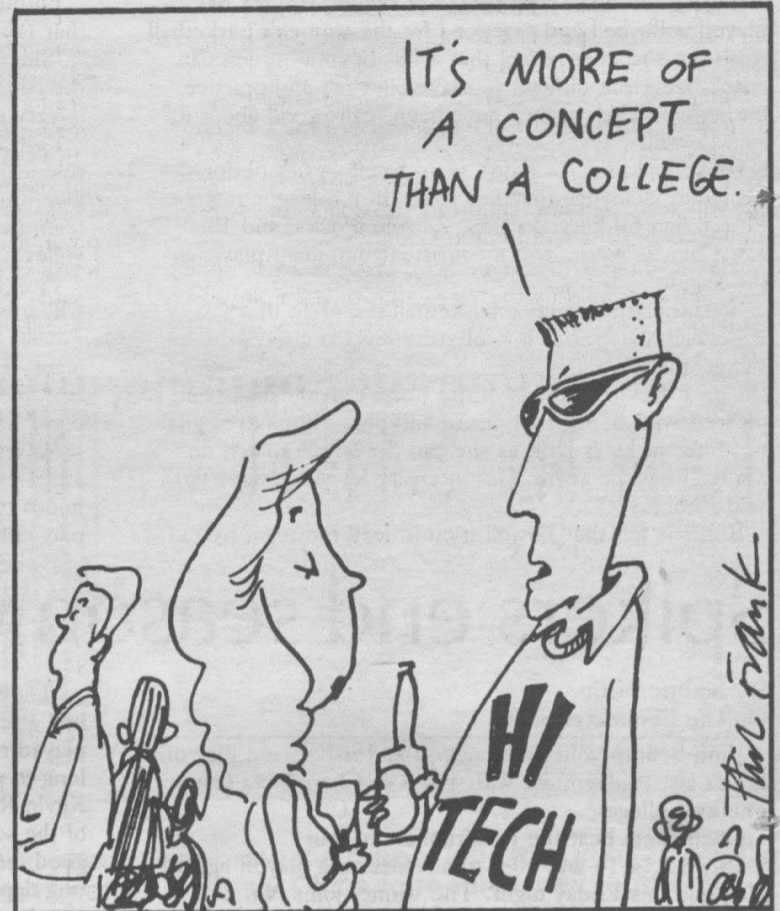
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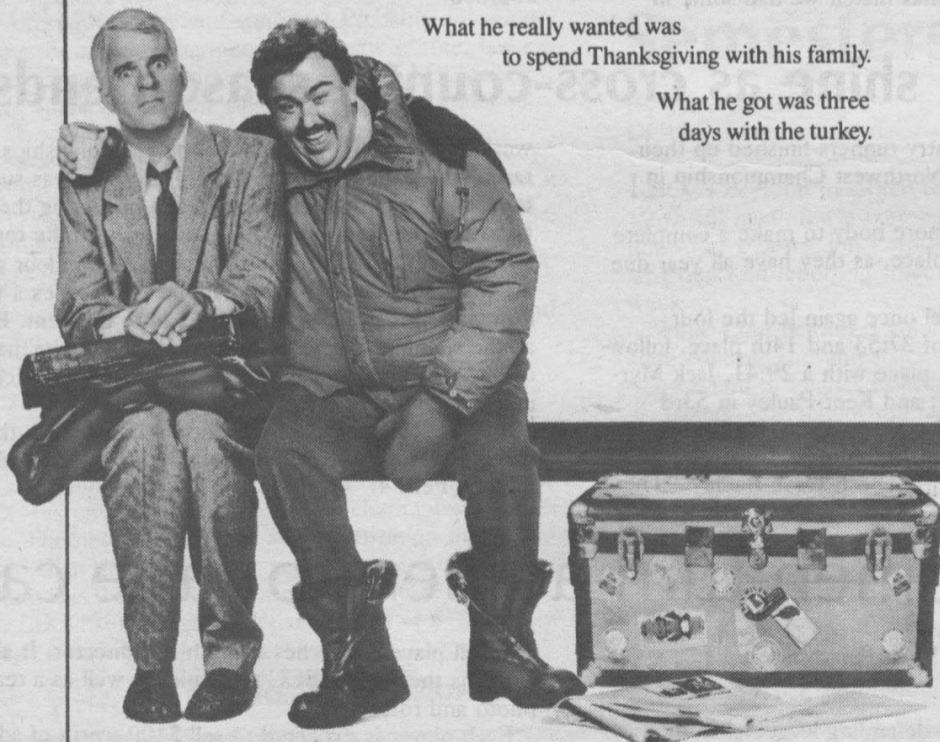
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Powell stars in volleyball, hoops

By Richard Meek
Of The Commuter Staff

Sophomore Andrea Powell has started two consecutive years for the women's volleyball team and is prepping for her second year as a starter for the women's basketball team—the only sophomore to have played both sports last year and this year.

During the first seven weeks of school, Andrea has played volleyball and practiced for the women's basketball team but she doesn't feel that it has been a burden. "It hasn't been that difficult to play volleyball and practice basketball. The coaches have been really good about it," said Powell.

Basketball practice didn't seem to effect her performance in volleyball matches at all. In ten league matches Powell had 69 kills, 25 aces, 22 solo blocks, and 19 assist blocks as she was a consistent dominant player in the league.

"It is tough to practice basketball the night of a volleyball match, but my intensity level is always the same," said Powell.

Coach Kevin Robbins of the women's volleyball team is pleased with her overall desire and play. "She never gives up. She works as hard as she can the whole match no matter what the score. Her intensity level is always up," said Robbins.

Robbins felt that Powell tried to lead the team by ex-

ample. "She was our best passer in the beginning of the season and her passing has improved more. She works hard in practice and concentrates on what she needs to work on," he said.

Last year Powell started on the women's basketball team and finished the season averaging 12.5 points and nine rebounds per game. She was second team all-league as a freshman.

Former women's basketball coach Greg Hawk feels that Powell will be quite improved this year.

"She is in excellent condition. She will be able to run the court better and that will add to her inside game. She is very physical inside and aggressive," said Hawk.

Powell wants to make some definite changes in her role as a player from volleyball to basketball. "I want to give leadership to the basketball team. I want to help the team become a unit and not become individuals like the volleyball team," said Powell.

Powell is working on her outside shot and rebounding, which will improve her aggressive play inside. Last year Powell was awarded the Most Physical award by her team. This year her goals are to make it to the playoffs. "I want to be able to feel good about every game we play," said Powell.

Powell has two simple reasons for participating in athletics: "I love to compete and I love to win." She hopes to transfer after this year to a four year college to play either basketball or volleyball.



Andrea Powell stares from the bench in disbelief during last year's final home game.

Spikers end season with tough four-game loss

By Kaline Miller
Of The Commuter Staff

Linn-Benton volleyball ended the 1987 season play-off hopes last Friday night with a loss to Chemeketa Community College.

Chemeketa beat the Roadrunners in four 9-15, 7-15, 14-16 and 10-5 to advance to a playoff against Umpqua this Friday night. The winner joins No. 2 SWOCC and league champs Mt. Hood in representing the Southern conference at the NWAACC Championships at Yakima Valley.

"They finally started playing as a team, of course we had a few mental lapses during the last match but we played real hard with a tough defense we just waited to long to put all the right pieces together," said coach Kevin Robbins. "Andrea came on real strong the last half of the season, she and Denice Schumacher had a real good match. Andrea did real well in the passing and hitting department and Denice had her best defensive match of the season. Marnie Branstitter and Tami Bickett also played well. Tami was still injured but she played tough. During the Clackamas match we had some in-

credible blocks more than were registered in the books."

Powell had 12 kills with 12 digs. Schumacher racked up 12 kills also with 11 digs and Branstitter had 8 kills. LB posted a 2-10 conference record, and an overall 5-14 record. But the team faced many tough matches taking teams to four and five matches before plundering.

Coach Robbins has planned a team banquet to be held sometime in the next week or two. During the banquet awards for Most Valuable Player, Most Improved, Most Inspirational, Best Offense and Best Defense will be awarded.

Mascots under fire

(CPS)—The university of North Dakota, responding to complaints by Native American students, has limited the use of the school's "Fighting Sioux" nickname and logo, and banned sports cheers that parody Native American rituals.

Native American students said t-shirt caricatures of Sioux Indians sold on campus depict Native Americans in a negative way. The Varsity Bards, a UND choral group that closes its shows with warwhoops and parodies of Indian dancing, also has been criticized as racist by Native American students.

UND thus joined several other schools in dropping mascots and names that minority groups found offensive.

In recent years, both Dartmouth and Stanford dropped "Indians" nicknames for their sports teams, replacing them with "Big Green" and "Cardinal," respectively.

In 1977, Florida State replaced its "Savage Sam" mascot, a character dressed up as a Native American and encouraged to whoop on the sidelines, with a Seminole character students found less objectionable.

Somewhat less successfully, the University of Mississippi in 1984 formally asked fans to stop waving Confederate flags and singing "Dixie" at football games, out of deference to black students.

At North Dakota, Native American students generally supported UND President Thomas Clifford's memo outlining how he wanted to keep the Sioux nickname and use more carefully the school's logo of a geometrical Indian head.

Leigh Jeanotte of UND's Cultural Awareness Committee said the logo is acceptable as long as Indians are not depicted as savages or in other disrespectful ways, and as long as the Bards' warwhoops and dancing are out.

The limitations "make for more campus racial sensitivity," Jeanotte said.

Individuals shine as cross-country season ends

Linn-Benton cross country runners finished up their season last Friday at the Northwest Championship in Spokane, Wash.

The team needed one more body to make a complete team, so LBCC failed to place, as they have all year due to an incomplete team.

Individually, Karl Zweifel once again led the four Roadrunners with a time of 27:53 and 14th place, followed by Brad Staten in 38th place with a 29:41, Jack Myrtue in 47th place at 30:57; and Kent Pauley in 53rd place with a time of 33:33.

"The meet went real well. I was pleased with our performance," said cross-country coach Dave Bakley. "They

worked real hard all season for the championships. Karl ran a very good race he did every thing he was supposed to. I think if he had increased just a bit during the second mile he would no doubt have been in the top 10."

The team now will start training for the indoor and spring track seasons. "They run about 40-60 miles a week now but we'll start working out a little different. Because all the running will be done on the track rather than set courses, we'll work on the short quick steps and cornering," said Bakley.

Two indoor meets are currently scheduled for the upcoming season: one in Portland Jan. 23 and the other in Eugene Feb. 4.

Diamondmen turn admen to raise cash

By John Sullivan and Matt Rasmussen
Of The Commuter Staff

Linn-Benton's two-time defending league champion baseball team is not in season yet, but the players are working out anyway.

This time, however, the players and coach Greg Hawk are working for the facilities and not on them.

In order to raise money for field improvements, the baseball program has come up with a "Linn-Benton Baseball Bulletin." The team members are soliciting businesses in their home town communities, as well as the Corvallis/Albany area.

The team hopes to reach their goal \$3,000, and possibly more. LBCC mentor Greg Hawk said the money raised will be used to put up a new fence, some bleachers, possibly a press box, as well as equipment needs and field maintenance.

The bulletin will contain information about the LBCC

baseball players, coaches and athletic director. It also contains the 1988 LBCC schedule, as well as a team photo and roster.

Each player is expected to sell \$100 worth of advertising. Those selling over the minimum will receive an incentive bonus.

The bulletin will be printed in an 8x10 format and contains three sizes of advertising: 3x2 (business card), \$25; 3x4 (1/4 page), \$50; 5x4 (1/2 page), \$100. All contributors will receive an LBCC Baseball Bulletin and the cost of the ads is tax deductible. Three graphic design students and a journalism student are working on the publication's format.

Team participation is starting out slowly according to Hawk. "There are some mixed emotions here. Some of the players are all for it, while others seem to think its just something else that gets in the way of their spare time."