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## Widmer: 'Compulsive spending' led to forgeries

*Tearful court testimony includes apology for 'pain caused to the foundation, students and faculty'*

By Matt Rasmussen  
Assistant Editor

A former Linn-Benton Community College Foundation secretary took the witness stand on her own behalf last Wednesday and told a Linn County Circuit Court judge that she was a "compulsive spender" and that she "feels the pain caused to the foundation, students and faculty," as a result of her actions.

Nance Lee Mashofsky Widmer, 29, apologized for stealing more than \$50,000 from the college foundation during a restitution hearing in which Circuit Judge William O. Lewis will decide whether she will go to prison and how much restitution she will pay. Lewis delayed sentencing until an inventory is completed of Widmer's assets as well as property obtained with the stolen money.

"I'm deeply sorry," said Widmer while wiping away the tears, "I intend to make restitution to the school as best I am able. And I hope that in time the scars will heal

for the college, because I care greatly for Linn-Benton."

In January, Widmer entered pleas of guilty to charges of first-degree aggravated theft and four counts of first-degree forgery in connection with what college auditors called the misappropriation of about \$68,000 from foundation funds over more than two years.

Michael Lewis, who conducted a special fraud audit for the foundation after a routine audit last October turned up "financial irregularities," detailed 123 check forgeries and the taking of cash from foundation accounts from December of 1985 through May 1988.

Widmer denied taking any cash, but admitted responsibility for the forged checks. "I am professing to be a compulsive spender," she said, "I agree that I am responsible for expenses incurred as a result of my actions."

Lewis totalled the misappropriated checks, ranging from \$3.64 to \$1,931.50, at \$50,600.09; counting as many as seven, but no fewer than three per month. Lewis

traced checks forged by Widmer to pay credit card bills and to purchase a load of gravel delivered to her home, as well as checks to herself she forged.

"The very first check was an act of desperation," explained Widmer as she told her story to the court, "I wasn't making enough money to make ends meet. I reacted, obviously wrongly, to the situation by writing a check. Suddenly, it became a compulsive behavior...I was unable to control what I was doing."

Widmer said she spent the money on clothing, gifts, skiing, rent, a television and "miscellaneous items." When pressed by the court to expand on the "miscellaneous," Widmer added: a stereo, charity, taxes, teaching expenses, car repair and travel. She stated adamantly that "none of it went to drugs, or to an alcohol problem." Later she testified that she hadn't saved any of the money. "I was unable to control what I was doing, although I tried desperately to stop it."

LBCC President Tom Gonzales, who ordered the fraud audit and confronted

Widmer with the evidence, testified that the defendant was slow in admitting to the thefts. But, he added, she did admit to taking up to \$10,000 of the missing funds.

"I really believed that the amount was under five figures," testified Widmer, "\$10,000 at the top. I was shocked at the final figure."

Widmer says she is currently undergoing weekly therapy sessions to "find what allowed these acts to take place, and to get a handle on this compulsive behavior." She also said she is working in Corvallis and would pay as much as possible towards restitution "as long as I have a place to survive."

Widmer has already paid \$7,200 in restitution. Of that, \$7,000 was loaned to her by her husband.

LBCC's attorney, Jim Delapoer, stated last Thursday the college foundation had already lost over \$80,000 as a result of the theft, including attorney fees, lost interest and audit costs.

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## Reagan image maker says TV manipulation necessary

By Beth Young  
Commuter Writer

Michael K. Deaver, with his muted grey suit, balding pate and slightly owl-like looks, could easily be mistaken for one of the many dads who were on the Oregon State University campus for its annual "Dads' Weekend."

But when Deaver spoke to the near-capacity audience at Milam Auditorium last Friday night, he was all politics and Washington, D.C.

Deaver, 50, is no stranger to politics. As Deputy Chief of Staff to President Reagan from 1981-1985, he was one of the three men closest to the president, which the media dubbed "the golden triumvirate." Indeed, his office was the closest to the Oval Office, formerly being the private study of Jimmy Carter. He has shared a close friendship with both of the Reagans since the mid-sixties.

During the 1980 presidential campaign, Deaver earned a name for himself as Reagan's "image maker" by using the power of television to shape public opinion of a candidate.

In his speech on Friday night, Deaver said that 85 to 90 percent of the American population gets its information about its

leaders from "60 to 90 seconds of television each night" and that, if a candidate doesn't manipulate the visual image that is projected, someone else will.

Therefore, said Deaver, the Reagan campaign simply took control of the medium, a policy which they continued after Reagan was elected.

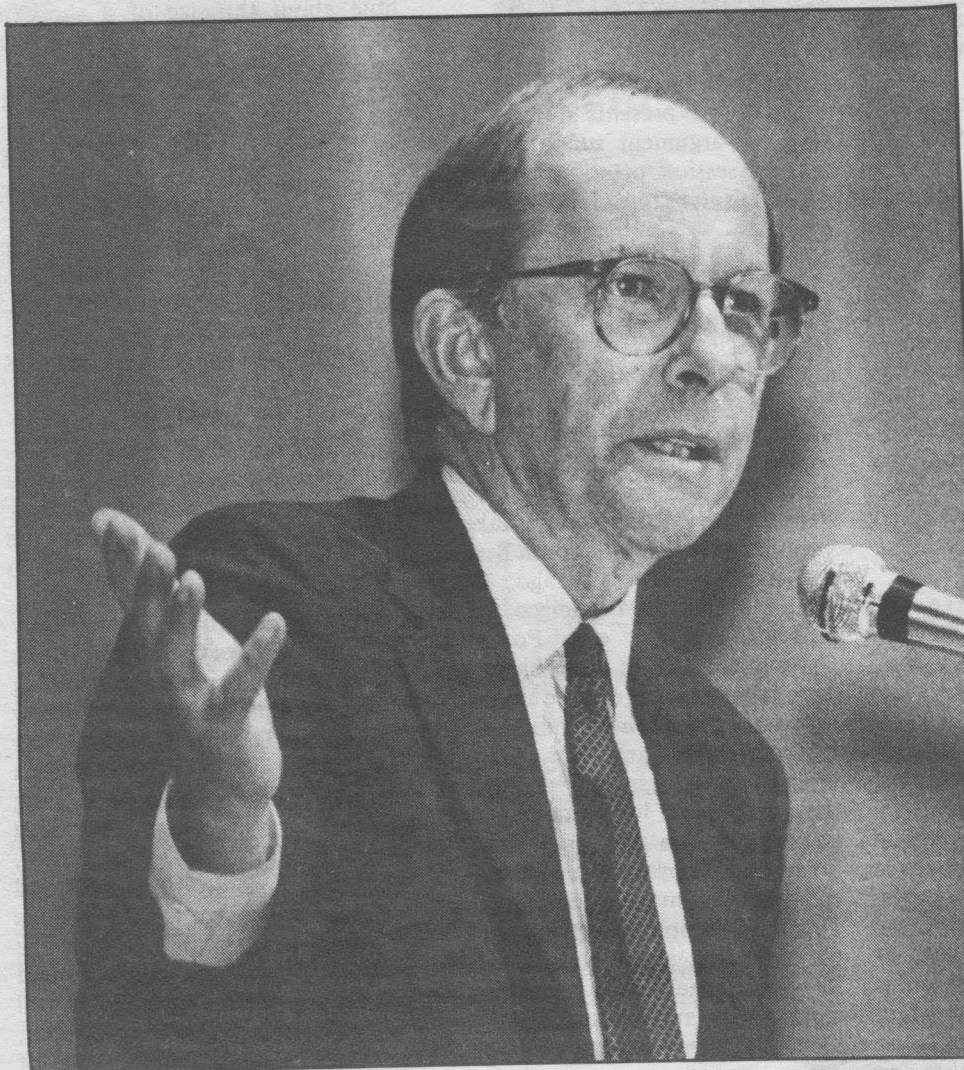
For example, in 1982 Reagan appeared with a hard hat on in front of a framed-up house instead of at the ordinary press conference room to announce an upswing in housing starts. Deaver said that he orchestrated this in order to draw attention to the recovery of the economy, which was a top priority in the Reagan administration at the time.

Said Deaver, "You can call it image-making or manipulation, but if we hadn't done that, I don't think the country would have turned around as fast as it did."

In May of 1985, Deaver resigned from his cabinet post to start "Michael K. Deaver and Associates," a Washington D.C. lobbying firm.

One of his first clients was the Canadian government, which wanted his help in resolving the acid rain issue with the

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The Commuter/RANDY WRIGHTHOUSE

Reagan aide Michael Deaver addresses an OSU audience.



# COMMENTARY

## Spotted owl debate: Man vs. Nature, or self

It seems that ever since man has been blessed with the knowledge of good and bad, man has been at constant odds with the environment and, more often than not, each other.

But, just as it is in man's nature to have knowledge and higher thought, it is just as much in his nature not to use it—or worse, to abuse it.

The spotted owl controversy shows how poorly man has used his knowledge and just how callously he can abuse it.

What started out as a fight to protect a species, a good idea, has mushroomed into a turmoil of legal bickering and political pressuring, both bad ideas, that threaten the lives of both man and owl. Man has a knack for twisting simple and sincere intentions into the complex and confusing pavement of the proverbial highway to hell.

The issue is whether or not the logging of old-growth timber will cause the extinction of the spotted owl. Environmentalists contend that the owl will only nest in the old growth and need some 6,000 acres of the taller trees per nesting pair.

The timber industry and land-use groups contend that the owl will nest in the smaller secondary growth and that it does not require as much space.

Both sides are fighting fiercely—perhaps blindly—for their beliefs. Both sides have painted the picture strictly from their own points of view, and in many cases exaggerated reality far past the point in question. Besides the occasional stretch of the truth, having million-dollar lawyers is about the only thing the two sides have in common. The word “compromise” does not appear in either arsenal.

In truth, the spotted owl controversy and its apparent sense of dire urgency has been raging in and out of the public eye since the early 70s. Back then the owl was noted by the Forest Service to be found nesting in secondary timber on Mary's Peak. The studies estimated that the birds' necessary habitat is around 300 acres for feeding—not 6,000—but they rarely nest more than 300 feet from a water source.

With these requirements, it seems that the Forest Service could develop timber sale plans that would allow coexistence between the owl and the logger—that is, after all, their job. But constant court action and needless delays have prevented this.

Perhaps a little more reason and a little less knowledge would have been more of a blessing.

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## letters

### Opinion voiced against abortion

#### Letter to The Editor:

The editorial in the Feb. 22 Commuter advances the idea that unwanted children are the ones who end up being abused by their families. Mr. Price might be surprised how many “wanted” children are in the ranks of the molested and beaten. Using this concept as a justification for systematically carving up babies in the womb is twisted to say the least. Take this idea to its logical end and we must round up all the abused children of the nation and slaughter them. After all, we wouldn't want them to have to live with abuse.

Like it or not, the child in the womb of its mother is a unique individual with his or her own DNA, separate blood supply from the mother, own fingerprints, and own life. The child may be inconvenient but what child hasn't inconvenienced his or her parents?

In reality there are no “unwanted” babies. The lists of people who want to adopt a child are quite long indeed. The child deserves a chance to live and know the joys and sorrows of life, a chance to believe in God, to be married, and to see his or her own children. Even those children who are handicapped would rather be alive than be shredded or burned in the womb.

The concept of “letting the individual decide” the life or death of a human baby ignores the individual most affected by the decision—the baby. The idea that a mother (or father) has the right to destroy their own children is sickeningly bizarre,

and the law which has given this concept its power should have been overturned a long time ago—about 25 million babies ago.

**Jason Woodrow**  
Corvallis, OR.

### Writer criticizes assault weapons

#### Letter to the Editor

Mr. Price presents nothing new with his argument supporting sale and possession of military assault rifles. It's the same old N.R.A. propaganda we've heard for years reverting back to an interpretation of an amendment to the constitution written some two hundred years ago.

Our founding fathers, I am sure, had no idea that the interpretation of the words “a well-armed militia” would some day lead to full scale warfare in the streets of America. Perhaps Mr. Price should take a vacation to Miami, the south Bronx, the south side of Chicago, Gary (Indiana), San Francisco, Los Angeles, and yes, even Portland, Oregon to witness first hand the drug related carnage in the streets of lower solid-economic communities in these cities. Mr. Price, Albany, Oregon is a far cry from the devastation of life, families and communities, in these major metro areas, caused by drugs and easy access to violent weapons. “Guns don't kill people, people kill people” is about as simple minded as Reagan's slogan of “just say no.”

As a Vietnam veteran of combat duty I have seen the true purpose of military assault weapons such as the AK-47. The only purpose of producing these weapons is to kill peo-

ple as fast as possible in mass quantities. Great sporting guns? Give me a break!

No, Mr. Price, the AK-47 is not like a 30-30 hunting rifle or a 12 gauge shotgun. I enjoy hunting with these weapons against fair game.

Have you ever witnessed, Mr. Price, just exactly how the AK-47 kills? Clean swift, and precise. A hole about the size of a shotgun shell is cut usually completely through the body. Some sport eh?

Let's be reasonable Mr. Price and not ignore the facts. In a recent Los Angeles Times article it was stated that assault rifles were used in over half the drug related crimes committed during 1988. In addition, over 70 percent of all crime in America is now related to drug use and abuse.

Let's follow the lead of Los Angeles and ban these weapons once and for all. Let's join the increasing number of sheriff associations and police chief associations and give our law enforcement a fighting chance against this military assault from drug gangs who are armed to the teeth and have no value for human life.

We are not talking about a few 1960s throwbacks who smoke a little pot now and then. We are talking about a war. A war against the new “American Dream” for inner city youth. That is, make 300 dollars a day selling crack while brandishing assault weapons against other drug gangs and innocent citizens. yes, Mr. Price, “people kill people” and the easier we make it for these goons to purchase assault weapons the more people will be killed around the country and eventually it will happen right here, in Linn County, the methamphetamine capital of Oregon. Think about it!

**Linn Maxwell**  
U.S.M.C. Retired



# Amnesty office helps 523 aliens become residents

By Kami Horton  
Commuter Writer

When her uncle and two daughters invited her for a visit, Alicia Buckley quit her job as a legal secretary, packed her bags and left Chile for America.

Six months later her traveling visa expired and she had to decide between going home or staying illegally.

She decided to stay and for ten years she remained an illegal alien. She supported herself in the "underground economy" by housecleaning, babysitting and other untaxed employment. It was not until six months ago that Alicia became a legal citizen through a program at Chemeketa Community College to assist illegal aliens.

She waited nearly a decade before gain-

ing her residency because "There were no programs to become legal before," she said.

Now Alicia helps others in similar situations through LBCC's Immigration/Amnesty office.

Programs to help illegal aliens began in 1987 when LBCC and other Community Colleges decided to form a consortium to assist immigrants in taking advantage of the Immigration Reform and Control act of 1986.

LBCC opened its Immigration/Amnesty office in June of 1987 with three part-time people trained to help clients. Since then 523 people have filed papers to become legal residents.

Charlene Fella, coordinator of the program, said contacting the illegal aliens was difficult. "They had to be invisible all the years they've lived here." She added that language barriers also presented problems when radio announcements, articles in the paper and fliers were their main source of advertisement.

It was the first successful client that got people interested, she said. Then news spread by word of mouth.

"The people who went through the program were the most patient people." Fella said, adding the many had to return again and again to complete all of the paper work.

"I can tell you some really heartbreaking stories," Fella said. "I saw things I didn't know existed. Things I wish I still didn't. People that were cold, poor and hungry. Not just adults, but little children."

The program lasted 18 months until midnight of Nov. 30, 1988 when the deadline for applications arrived. Since then paperwork had been completed and files closed.

Those who have applied through the office have come from Mexico, China, Germany, Iran, and Malaysia to name a few.

Now the successful residents are preparing for permanent residency and LBCC is continuing to help. Many are attending language, civics and history classes and some, like Alicia, are helping others through the program they went through.

On Thursday Feb. 23, the office held an open house in the LBCC boardrooms to celebrate the work accomplished through the program.

LBCC President Tom Gonzales told the group that community colleges provide a needed service to their communities. He said the program allowed new people to become a part of LBCC.

"Now they can get the education they need without being intimidated," Gonzales said. He called the work "symbolic of what we can do."

Becky Ecklund, a representative from the governor's office, read a message from Governor Neil Goldschmidt welcoming the new residents and thanking them for their efforts to become Oregonians.

Coordinator Charlene Fella stated in a speech "In the end, the United States will thank them for being here."



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Alicia Buckley, a Spanish tutor in LBCC's Immigration/Amnesty Office, chats with Annie Gonzales, coordinator of Student Programs, during last week's open house for the 523 people the office helped gain resident status.

## Three candidates vie for 2 seats on board in March 28 election

By Bonnie Stutzman  
Commuter Writer

The filing deadline for the two seats on LBCC's Board of Education has passed and several candidates are in the running.

Rich Wendland, a student at OSU, runs unchallenged for re-election to the four-year zone 5 position. Zone 5 covers rural Benton County.

David Schmidt, the new Linn County Commissioner, is running for re-election of zone 2 and 3, which covers north and west Linn County.

Stuart Gourley, a resident of Albany for fifteen years, challenges Schmidt for the zone 2 and 3 seat.

Gourley grew up in Linn County and graduated from Lebanon High School in 1970. He attended LBCC for two years and transferred to Western Oregon State College where he received his degree.

Gourley has worked as an Oregon State policeman and established the Figaro's Pizza Company. He currently owns Gramma Dama's Donuts in Albany and works for State Farm Insurance.

Gourley, 36, feels he has a lot to offer LBCC's Board of Education. "I would be bringing young blood onto the board," he said. The candidates will be up for election March 28.

## Volunteers sought to build kids' park

By Chris Albee  
Commuter Writer

Volunteers are being sought to donate time and effort in the construction of a new public playground in Corvallis.

Both skilled and unskilled workers are needed to participate in building "Wildcat Park" to be located at Wilson Elementary School, 2701 NW Satinwood Drive.

The construction will take place on May 3-7, and will be done in the old "barn-raising" style. Food will be provided.

Barb Pastega of Corvallis heads up the group in charge of building the park.

Designs for the park have come from children in Corvallis elementary schools and have been molded into shape by Bob Leathers, an architect from Ithica, N.Y. Leathers has been designing playgrounds for 18 years and has been instrumental in the construction of 450 parks around the nation.

Funding for the playground has been through both private and public donations, including \$20,000 from the City of Corvallis. So far, donations have reached approximately \$55,000.

The playground will contain a large number of toys including five slides, a maze, and tire swings. Six picnic tables are included.

The biggest attraction will be a 150' x 135' wooden play structure. All of the equipment will have handicapped access.

Once the playground is completed, the school district will maintain it. The district has allocated \$250 a year for this.

Pastega also plans to set aside \$4-5,000 for any maintenance work that the district would not be able to do, given their budget.

Anyone interested in volunteering can call Barb Pastega at 758-3406, or Catherine Inman at 753-0078.

## Parking permit policy changed to 2-year expiration

By Beth Young  
Commuter Writer

Campus Security and Services office has changed its parking permit policy in an effort to better serve the students, staff and faculty at LBCC.

Permits, which previously were issued without expiration dates, will now have two-year expiration periods. According to

the office, this policy was enacted to keep the records current and to improve response time in location a vehicle's owner.

Current permit holders are requested to go by the office at CC-123 to ensure that their records are up-to-date and to be issued new permits. Members of the LBCC community without permits are encouraged to sign up for this free service.

Through the parking permit program, permit holders will be notified should their vehicle be damaged, broken into, or have the lights left on. The office will also contact a permit holder in case of an emergency.

The Campus Security and Services office phone number has been changed to 967-6552 or ext 322.



## Rough Ride

The Observed Trials event at the Mudslinger Race Feb. 19 saw participants climbing over logs and other obstacles. Observed Trials is one of three events put on at Peavy Arboretum for mountain-bike enthusiasts. The second event, the Mountain Bike Race, includes a 20-mile course for the pro-am and expert classes and a 15-mile course for the sport and beginner classes. The third event is a Fun Ride. The next Mudslinger Race is Sunday. Information is available from Randy Pratt at 758-4601.



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# Rising embezzlement cases reflect more reporting

By Teresa Hess  
Commuter Writer

An unusual jump in the number of embezzlement cases in Albany last year may not indicate a trend toward more embezzlement, but rather a trend in reporting the crime.

The Albany Police Department handled five major embezzlement cases totaling approximately \$200,000 last year, including about \$68,000 embezzlement from Linn-Benton Community College's Foundation. These figures compare with two cases in 1987, which totaled about \$62,000 said Alan F. "Al" Sprague, a detective at the Albany Police Department.

Other area businesses too, have reported their losses to the police, including two fast food restaurants, one lawyer's office, and one doctor's office in 1988, Sprague said.

In the past, rather than risk bad publicity, many businesses reasoned it was safer to cover up the crime and try to recover the money from the criminal privately, said Douglas M. "Doug" Reed, a detective at Albany Police Department.

Many businesses and non-profit organizations are unwilling to report or prosecute embezzlement cases because they fear a "tainting of (their) reputation," Reed said.

Thomas Gonzales, the president of LBCC, and the LBCC Foundation did

not seek to hide the fiscal irregularities that turned up in an audit recently.

Rather, Gonzales and Dave Schmidt, chairman of the LBCC Board of Education, announced the audit and investigation.

Gonzales worries about the bad publicity but, he assures the community that it (the embezzlement) doesn't indicate an "insincerity of the foundation, but only the actions of one individual."

Reed suggests the economy is another factor explaining the recent willingness of victims to report embezzlement to the police. Businesses are less able to absorb losses, both because of the economic climate and larger sums of money are involved, Reed said.

Even when businesses report the crime, owners ask the police to maintain confidentiality and we honor their request, Reed said.

Another reason many victims and the police are reluctant to talk about embezzlement is that when a case is pending, no one wants to say or do anything that might jeopardize the case. Even after a case is settled, it still may be subject to appeal.

Some businesses who are victimized, resist talking about the crime because they are embarrassed about the ease with which embezzlers have taken funds, Reed said.

Malcom Baker, Albany certified public accountant and the chairman of the LBCC foundation, agrees. Business owner's accounting control systems are (often) not adequate to safeguard the assets, Baker said.

"Sometimes the embezzlement has gone on for years before it is detected."

Some business owners don't wish to talk about the crime because of concern for the embezzler. Many embezzlers were long-term employees who were accepted as a "trusted part of the family," Reed said.

"The scenario of the typical embezzler is of the least likely suspect," Baker said.

There are general tell-tale signs of embezzlement that a business owner can watch for, Baker said.

First, consistently late reporting can be suspect. The embezzler often wants extra time to juggle the books.

Secondly, an employee's unwillingness to take vacations. The embezzler doesn't want anyone else to discover inaccurate accounts in his or her absence.

Thirdly, an employee's lifestyle may be cause for suspicion. An elaborate house and expensive cars that would normally be too costly for that individual to afford may be cause for concern.

Baker also advises businesses to separate the duties of accounting and check writing, which eliminates much of the temptation to embezzle.

Embezzlement accounts for the second largest average material loss in Oregon at more than \$6,000 for each offense. Only arson creates a larger average loss, said Loran Davis, a training officer at the Linn County Sheriff's Office.

Business owners, as well as society in general, have a large stake in preventing embezzlement or prosecuting alleged embezzlers.

Consumers, pay higher prices to compensate for any unrecovered losses to embezzlers.

White collar crime, including embezzlement, stems from more sophisticated crooks who are well-known in their communities learning of an easy way to get ready cash, Reed said.

Reed added it's his opinion that embezzlers (and other white collar criminals) also know that even if they get caught "the price they have to pay to the legal system is much less" than many other types of crime.

The rate of embezzlement and other white collar crime cases probably won't change until we have more jail space and it becomes more risky for the criminal, Reed said.

## From Page One: College officials testify

Delapoe likened Widmer's actions to that of "stealing from the poor box." Stating that not only students and the foundation were victims, but also the members of the community who donated to the foundation.

Chief Deputy District Attorney Larry Houchin, representing the state, recommended a minimum six-month prison sentence over suspension, arguing that "although this may appear to be a first-time offense for Widmer, it is indeed some 123 separate offenses."

Defense attorney Mark Donahue requested the judge be lenient, saying his client "made a colossal error in judgement and is willing to pay for it—six months in prison will serve no purpose."

Judge Lewis delayed sentencing for up to two weeks for the inventory of the defendant's assets, as well those of her husband, stating "it is unavoidable that the court look at the spouse's income to determine the defendant's ability to pay restitution." Judge Lewis then pointed out that the assets of the spouse—LBCC ceramics instructor Jay Widmer—were not in jeopardy.

"I suspect that whatever the court does in sentencing will be inadequate to someone," said the judge before adjournment.

First-degree aggravated theft is punishable by a maximum of 10 years in prison and a \$100,000 fine. First-degree forgery is punishable by a maximum of 5 years in prison and a \$100,000 fine.

Widmer started working for the foundation on Sept. 30, 1985, and also taught aerobics classes through the college's adult education program before resigning on Oct. 21, 1988.



## Play tryouts open for 'Shrew'

By Eric Ishikawa  
Commuter Writer

All students are welcome to come and try-out for parts in William Shakespeare's "The Taming of the Shrew" according to Play Director David Apple.

Auditions for the 20 parts are Wednesday, in the theatre, and Thursday, in Forum 104, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

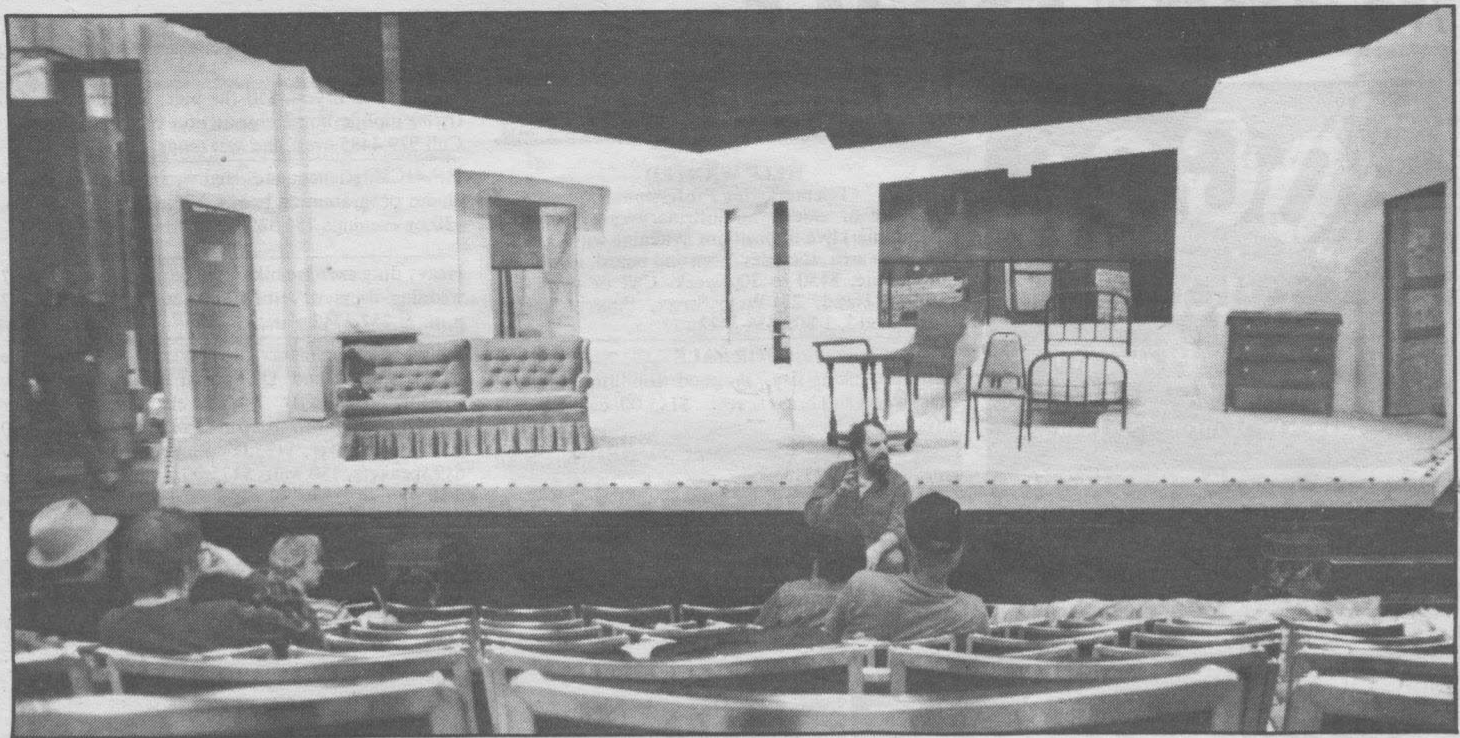
You don't need to have material prepared for the auditions according to Apple. All that is necessary is to show up and tryout.

The auditions are being held now so students can enroll in the rehearsal and performance class. Because this is also a class, Apple wants to get scripts to the performers before spring break. Rehearsals will start after spring break.

Apple plans to add a twist to make this production different from others. The play is to be set in a saloon in America's mythical west.

The male lead, Peturchio, is going to be played as a Clint Eastwood type character. Katherine, the female lead, will be played with a Scarlet O'hara personality.

Performances are scheduled for May 12, 13, 19, 20, 26 and 27 at 8 p.m. and May 21 at 3 p.m.



The Commuter/ROBERT PUCILLO

### Prepping the Cast

Director George Lauris talks with his cast for the current LBCC production of "Room Service," which opened last Friday to good reviews and continues this weekend. The play is a Marx Brothers style comedy set in the 1930s involving the travails of a low-budget theatrical production company holed up in a fleabag hotel. Curtain time is 8 p.m. this Friday and Saturday, and 3 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$5 general admission and \$4 for students and senior citizens, and are available at the box office in Takena Hall or at the door. Seats can be reserved by calling 967-6504.

## H.S. students compete in skills contest

By Dana Woodward  
Commuter Writer

More than 900 high school students from Linn, Benton and Lincoln counties will come to LBCC Saturday for the 16th annual Regional Skills Contest.

The contest will run from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., with an Awards Ceremony following at 2:30 p.m.

The competition allows students to demonstrate their abilities in the following areas: art, architectural drafting, auto mechanics, business education, culinary arts, electricity/electronics, gas and arc welding, graphics, journalism, photography, job interviews, machine shop, marketing, mathematics, mechanical drafting, science skills and social studies.

"Individual contests range in length from 30 minutes to 2 1/2

hours and will reflect actual circumstances as near as possible," according to Barbara Dixon, assistant to the vice president for instruction at LBCC. For example, science skills competitors will demonstrate experiments done in physical science or chemistry labs. News reporting competitors will cover a press conference. The contest also features juried shows in art, photography and cabinetmaking.

Art and photography works will both be shown in the Humanities Art Gallery from March 4-15.

Cabinetmaking can be seen in Takena Hall on March 4 only.

The LBCC Foundation is awarding \$50 tuition scholarship to the winners of each individual contest. Medals and plaques will also be awarded to the finalists.

The awards ceremony and juried shows are free and open to the public.

## From Page One: Deaver defends media manipulation

U.S. government. (Northern U.S. companies had been releasing pollutants into the air which traveled to Canada, raising the acid content of the rain and snow and causing environmental damage.)

Deaver, while still in Reagan's cabinet, had met with the Canadian ambassador to set up preliminary meetings on this issue.

Because of this, congressional hearings began in June, 1986 to investigate conflict-of-interest violations. Deaver was found not guilty of these violations, but, in Dec. 1987, was convicted of lying to Congress during the hearings.

Deaver was sentenced to three years' probation, \$100,000 fine and 1,500 hours of community service.

He has not been in contact with the Reagans since 1987.

Perhaps because of his experiences, Deaver has strong feelings about Congress and the laws it passes.

For one, he feels that the conflict-of-interest laws are too vague. "Why do we have laws that require legal counsel just to understand them?" asked Deaver at Friday's press conference, adding that, in order to not violate conflict-of-interest laws, he spent \$65,000 in legal counsel during his first year out of the White House.

He also feels that Congress has become unresponsive to the people due to the fact that "97 percent (of Congress) is re-

lected automatically," adding that "Congress is not answerable to you or I."

Deaver pointed out that many of the laws that members of Congress pass do not apply to themselves.

"If they are going to restore confidence in government, then we have to have standards that the lawmakers abide by" as well as other government officials, said Deaver.

The audience at Milam auditorium was polite, and, as Deaver pointed out, "there are no signs out tonight," referring to protests that have greeted him at other campuses during his seven months on the lecture circuit.

## Photo instructor exhibits 'Interiors'

"In Search of Light: Deserted Interiors," an exhibit of recent work by Corvallis photographer Rich Bergeman, opens at the OSU Memorial Union Concourse Gallery February 26 and continues through March 25.

The exhibit includes 30 black and white photographic prints that explore the play of light and shadow in places where people used to live and work, but which have long ago been abandoned.

Most of the pictures were made in the upper floor interiors of historic commercial buildings in Albany and Baker, two Oregon communities attempting to preserve their downtowns' historical appeal. Rather than focus on restoration efforts, however, Bergeman's pictures portray the abandoned apartments, offices and old hotel rooms just as they have been left, complete with half-empty cupboards, dust covered bannisters and peeling wallpaper.

Bergeman has been instructor of journalism and photography at Linn-Benton Community College since 1981. A graduate of Bowling Green State University in Ohio and Oregon State University, he worked as a newspaper reporter, editor and public information writer before taking up teaching.

The "In Search of Light: Deserted Interiors" exhibit, by Rich Bergeman, is sponsored by the Memorial Union, Jefferson street, Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon. The Concourse Gallery is open daily to the public from 8:30 a.m.-11:00 p.m.



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### National Shakespeare Auditions

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Actors interested in auditioning for the conservatory should call toll free 1-800-472-6667 for further information and an audition appointment.

### Opera Guild's Preview of don Giovanni

A preview of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's opera Don Giovanni is set for Thursday, March 2, at 7:30 p.m. in the First Presbyterian Church, 114 SW 8th Street, Corvallis. David Eiseman of Oregon State University's music department will play recorded excerpts from the opera and discuss the narrative.

The preview, which is sponsored by the Linn-Benton Opera Guild, is free to members and \$2.50 for non-members.

Set in the 17th century in Seville, Spain, the opera is about the legendary Don Giovanni (Don Juan in Spanish folklore) whose "female conquests," number in the thousands.

### McKenzie River Gathering Foundation

The McKenzie River Gathering Foundation (MRG) which funds peace, human rights, and environmental groups in Oregon, announces its Spring, 1989 funding cycle. MRG encourages grant applications from groups which:

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MRG does not fund co-operatives, health centers, alternative schools, and projects that are primarily social services or that involve influencing legislation or electoral campaigns. Grants generally range from \$500 to \$2,000. Recent MRG funding cycles have supported groups addressing: issues affecting people of color, women, and lesbians and gays; Central America; nuclear disarmament; progressive media; Mid-east peace; pesticide reform; AIDS; and wilderness protection.

Groups interested in submitting a project proposal should contact the MRG Eugene office to receive the foundation's application Monday, March 7th. Linda Reymers, MRG co-director, is available to answer any questions about applying for an MRG grant. MRG is located at 454 Willamette, Eugene, OR 97401. The phone number is 485-2760.

### Big Picture Series-The Shape of Things

The Shape of Things, seventh in the "Big Picture" series of free videotaped programs, will be shown Wednesday, March 1, at noon in Room 104 of the Forum Building on Linn-Benton Community College's main campus, 6500 SW Pacific Blvd., Albany.

Judy Rogers of LBCC's Fine Arts Department is presenter for the show, which takes viewers on a tour of basic shapes found in nature.

For more information, call Paul Hogood, 928-2361, ext. 425.

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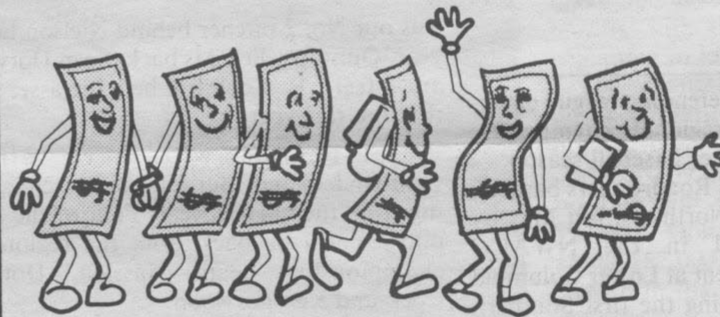
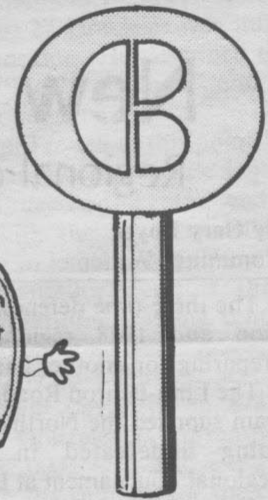
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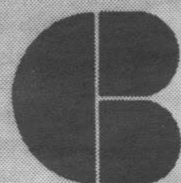
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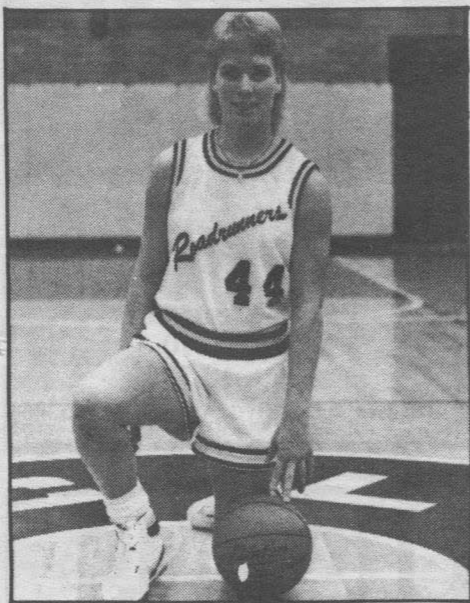


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# SPORTS PAGE

## Players receive honors



Michelle Derry named First Team All-League.

By Jess Reed  
Sports Editor

Five Linn-Benton men and women basketball players received recognition for their outstanding seasonal performances.

For the men's team forwards Dave Dufort and Chris Doscher were both named to the second team all-league. Dufort was one of the top scorers in the league, averaging 24.7 points and eight rebounds a game, while Doscher averaged 16.2 points and 8.2 boards a game. Gaurd Gamail Goins received honorable mention.

For the women, Michelle Derry made first team all-league. Lori Kennedy made second team all-league and was selected as an alternate for the NWACC all-star game.

## Women exit playoffs early

By Jess Reed  
Sports Editor

The LBCC women's basketball team was knocked out of the playoffs after suffering a hard-fought opening round loss to second-ranked Clackamas, 70-63, last Saturday in Roseburg.

Despite hard play by the Roadrunners, Clackamas applied an effective full-court press in the second half to finish off the third-ranked Roadrunners.

"It was close all the way," said coach Debbie Prince whose team came away with a final 8-6 league record and a 10-12 record overall. Michelle Derry scored 21 and had 16 rebounds while Lori Kennedy scored 16 with 6 assists.

Clackamas went on to defeat top-ranked Umpqua 74-70 to earn the NWACC championship on Sunday.

Overall, Prince was happy with the Roadrunners this season. They started league play with a 1-3 record, but came back with good team play to earn five straight victories and a playoff berth. "We played tough at the end. We did things that others (opposing teams) didn't think that we could do," said Prince.

Prince is now looking toward next year and is hoping to keep all the talented freshman from this year. She believes that good recruiting of high school players would round out a good team for the 89-90 season.

## New blood recruited to defend baseball crown

Regional champion Roadrunners snare transfers, freshmen to replace last year's standouts

By Gary Boyer  
Commuter Writer

The three-time defending league champion and 1988 regional champs are preparing for another baseball season.

The Linn-Benton Roadrunners baseball team surprised the Northwest last May by going undefeated in the NWACC Regional Tournament at Lower Columbia College and becoming the first Southern Division team to win the regionals in 25 years.

This year, Coach Gregg Hawk will try to maintain LBCC's dominance of the Southern Division, but he'll have to do it without six of last year's top players: graduating sophomore Dennis Kluss, Gary Boyer, Chad Hartsell, Ken Nielson, Sean Reed and Gary Christiansen.

Kluss, last year's centerfielder, took a full-ride scholarship to Oregon State, where he will be playing with Nielson, LBCC's pitching ace for the last two years, who also received a full-ride to OSU.

Boyer, the left-fielder, got over a half dozen full-ride offers from Division I and NAIA schools, but had to sit out for a year due to grades. Third baseman Hartsell got a full-ride to Oregon Institute of Technology, while first baseman Christiansen took a two-thirds scholarship to Portland State, and pitcher Reed was drafted in the 23rd round by the Chicago Cubs and headed to spring training.

Coach Hawk said he feels confident that new players on this year's team will take up the slack. "I feel we have fine talent, due to the fact of our past ballclubs performance people want to come and play for a winning program. On paper we're an excellent ball club," Hawk added. "But you don't play on paper."

The strongest part of this year's team will be the pitching, said Hawk. "Pitching is a big key for this club. We have a lot of fine starters, including Phil Hasslen, who

was our No. 2 pitcher behind Nielson last year. Our top reliever is back (Sean Doty), and I feel J.R. Cock will be a big asset to the club this year."

Linn-Benton will have nine righthanders and four lefthanders chucking from the hill this year. Four of the 13 pitchers will be back from the regional championships team—Hasslen, Doty, Cock and Ken Earwood.

Four of the pitchers are transfer players—Derek Atwood (OSU), Erik Dimmick (WOSC), Dave Dufort (OSU) and Mark Hammond.

The other 5 pitchers are in-coming freshmen—Trevor Rust (Churchhill) Ron Espindola (Clatskanie), Sean Hickman (Taft), Nick Bonnenfant (Aloha), and Mark Dennis (Springfield).

Coach Hawk feels that two out of the five freshmen will be throwing in the starting rotation right off the bat.

"Rust and Hickman both had a good fall and a good winter and both have been very consistent throwing strikes."

Defense will also be a strong part of the Roadrunner's game this year. "Our defense is super," Hawk said. "We'll have Rosso catching and up the middle we're very strong."

A few of the returning sophomores had comments on this year's ballclub compared to the club that won regionals last year. Rosso played high school ball at Aloha High, which he was selected All-League and played in the state-metro series game his senior year and was the MVP and outstanding hitter in 1987-1988 for his American legion team. Rosso was also the only freshman on the 1st team All-League selection last year.

"We seemed to have a lot more depth than last year," said Rosso, who was the only freshman on the All-League first team last year. "We seemed to have a better team than last year, but how much bet-

ter can we be?"

Demetri Kalomiris, last year's "Mr. Clutch" at shortstop, said "Our defense is a step above last year's team, but our hitting is a step below.

Hasslen, selected 2nd team All-League as a freshman pitcher last year, agreed with Hawk regarding the strong pitching staff on this year's squad.

"Our pitching staff is stronger and has more depth than last year," he said. "Last year we only had a few people in the starting rotation and only a couple of relievers. This year we have a lot of quality pitchers and a lot of quality relievers. We need to improve our hitting."

Linn-Benton picked up an unusually large crop of transfer baseball players this year, and Hawk feels that will strengthen the team and find it more depth.

Kelly Krammer, who went to high school at Crescent Valley, transferred from Mt. Hood after sitting out one year to be eligible. As a catcher-outfielder, he expects to fit into LB's line-up very nicely, due to the fact that LB lost two of its outfielders from last year and has only one other catcher—Rosso.

"This team has the best overall talent and the best potential than any team I've ever played for," Kramer said. "Looking at the schedule, the California trip will be our toughest competition face until regionals. We should go undefeated in league."

Matt Krebs, a second baseman/shortstop transferred from the University of Nevada—Reno, went to high school at Lakeridge where he was selected All-League his senior year. Other transfers are lefthanded pitchers Atwood and Dufort, who both transferred from Oregon State and went to Sheldon High in Eugene; right-hander Dimmick, who transferred from Western Oregon and attended Corvallis High; and Hammond, who graduated from McNary High in Salem.



Coach Gregg Hawk looks forward to working with a new crop of baseball players this season.

"We don't have the power hitting team we had last year," Coach Hawk said, "but we'll score runs when we need to. We're going to be a pitching and defensive team."

He added that the team has already put in many hours of conditioning. "We've been working out all fall and all winter. We've been falling out of bed at six in the morning to get to practice at seven on Tuesdays and Thursdays. We're conditioning by the time most people are just getting out of bed."

The team is not only working out during the fall and winter, but they are also selling ads for the baseball program. The money is going to new uniforms, concrete grand stands on the grass mound and a new fence.

The Roadrunners will open their season against Sierra Community College at Rockland California on March 19. Their first home game will be April 4 against Lane Community College.