

A-maze-ing
Local farms dive into the Halloween spirit with corn mazes, corn canons, Moo trains, hay rides and the Trolley of Terror (and even some pumpkins).

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### Fall Ball

The boys of summer turn out this autumn to show their stuff to baseball coach Greg Hawk during the annual tryout season.

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Good To The Last Bite

olitical science major R.J. Friedman pulls out all the stops in his bid to win the ie-eating contest during last week's Harvest Pie Festival in the Courtyard. The event was won by history major Aaron Broich, while Friedman came in second.

## Reading program seeks student help

Michelle Steinhebel The Commuter

It takes only an hour a week for LB students to Start Making a Reader Today.

SMART, an Oregon-based, non-profit volunteer organization, is seeking students to read with kindergarten through third-graders at schools in the Albany, Lebanon, and Corvallis

"Ithink for anyone wanting to go into education, this is a wonderful opportunity for them to be in a school environment," said Victoria Fridley, program manager for Central Valley SMART. The Central Valley organization encompasses Linn, Benton, Marion, Polk, and Yamhill counties and there are 33 schools that

participate in the program.

Fridley and the other SMART agencies across the state have been challenged with doubling their volunteers within the next three to five years. "Our volunteer base needs to grow to make that happen," she said.

LB students can earn service learning credits for reading with the children, the program manager said. LB offers two work-study positions to support the program as well.

Typically volunteers read with children once or twice a week on Mondays and Wednesdays or Tuesdays and Thursdays. Volunteer schedules at the local schools vary. During that one-hour time block, volunteers read with two different children

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## ligh school students invade LB as ocal districts ramp up support

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n Newman Commuter

the kid sitting next to you in class looks young igh to be a high school student, there's a good

uring the past few years the number of students at Cwho are still enrolled in high school has increased

natically. Although otal number is not vailable this term, erage Enrollment isor Kathy Chafin she expects the

bers to show a hy increase over last year's total of 340 students, ks primarily to two different programs: PACE noting Accelerated College Entry) from Scio High ol; and Beyond LHS from Lebanon High School. erage students are nothing new to LB, but now they

cal school districts are footing the bill. ne goal of these programs is to give high school juand seniors a chance to get a head start on college

ot spending a dime of their own money to be here,

by allowing them to take a minimal number of classes at the high school while also taking college classes at LBCC and Chemeketa.

The school district pays for the students' tuition and books—all the student needs except for the standard school supplies. The only requirements for the students are to keep a 3.0 G.P.A. while in the program and have goals to obtain their associates or bachelors degree. The

programs help bridge the "It was a little bit of culture shock gap between high school for the first two weeks, but after a and college and help the student get used to a college setting.

"It prepared me for next year going full time,"

said Melissa Cooper, a senior from Scio High School who is enrolled at LBCC.

**Steve Rist** 

PACE is in its third year and Beyond LHS is in its second, but both have experienced a large increase in enrollment this term, jumping from 140 students during the 2005/2006 school year to 205 students so far in the 2006/2007 school year. These two programs contribute the bulk of underage students enrolled at LBCC. One of Turn to "High School" on Pg. 3



photo by Jesse Skoubo

**Pretty Bird** 

Pablo Diablo, the parrot, poses for Dori Litzer's drawing class last week. The bird is owned by art student Nicole Garret.

e Weather Through the Week

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News about issues and events from

### Women's colleges turn to testosterone to stay alive

**Patrick Kerkstra** 

The Philadelphia Inquirer

It was the sort of thing the Sisters of St. Joseph never had to worry about before Chestnut Hill College went coed in 2003: excessive student gyration.

The way students tell it, the gyrators—members of a newly formed dance team—were guilty of nothing more than a few pelvic thrusts during a halftime performance at a basketball game. But that wasn't how the sisters saw it. Some were deeply offended, and the all-female squad was disbanded.

"Everyone was cheering when we were done except the sisters," said Jennifer Melendez, a Chestnut Hill junior and one of the dancers. "Their faces looked like they were going to send us to church tomorrow."

That decision, made in February, is just one way in which Chestnut Hill, along with Immaculata University in Chester County and hundreds of other religious-affiliated colleges, is adjusting to life with male students.

Some of the changes are merely structural: higher food bills for the cafeteria and "sturdier" furniture. Others, including a stronger emphasis on athletics and more attention to clothes, makeup and behavior, are creating what many call a livelier feeling in classrooms, lunchrooms and dorms, particularly on weekends.

"It's the energy. It's intangible, but it's here, and it's wonderful," said Sister Patricia Fadden, president of Immaculata, which went coed last year.

The schools are two of about 250 women's institu-



photo by MCT Campus News Service

Chestnut Hill College Seniors Amie Simpson and Steve Tamburo goof around in the college dining hall recently.

tions nationwide to have made the coed jump since the 1960s, when women's colleges were at their peak. Many are faith-based and, like Chestnut Hill and Immaculata, opened their doors to men somewhat reluctantly after years of weak enrollment left them with little choice.

Fewer than 1 percent of female high school graduates are willing to consider a faith-based, single-sex college, according to a study commissioned by Chestnut Hill before it went coed. That trend, and the decision it forced, has had a profound impact on the culture of institutions that have gone coed.

Instead of heading home for the weekends, studer at the two schools are much more likely to stay on car pus, mingling and going to parties, giving the school a new 24/7 buzz.

"I never had anybody bounce a basketball over n head at 10 p.m. before the men moved in," Fadd

And athletics have boomed. With Title IX require ments mandating roughly equal athletic opportunitie Chestnut Hill and Immaculata have been rapidly addimen's teams. Indeed, both schools used athletics as major recruiting tool for male students.

The schools also put together slick marketing cau paigns—Chestnut Hill hired good-looking male at female models for its photos-that portrayed the campuses as thoroughly coed. The first few male st dents were offered generous financial-aid packages( a further inducement.

And as male enrollment shot up, so did student her lines. One of the most obvious and immediate effections of going coed has been a dramatic change in the w female students dress for class, a number of professo and administrators said.

They wear shorter skirts. More makeup. And pret much no pajamas.

"They used to come rolling in in their slippers ar robes in the old days," said Bob Meyer, who has taug biology at Chestnut Hill for 25 years. "There's clearly male-female tension there that wasn't there before, a I guess some of the energy is a sexual energy."

### Anger management tips can help lengthen a short fuse

MCT Campus News Service

Anger is a normal human emotion. But sometimes it can boil over at inopportune or inappropriate moments.

If angry outbursts occur on a regular basis, that may be a sign of an anger-management problem.

If you find yourself fuming over the smallest thing, it might be a good idea to practice some calming measures to get your anger under control.

Here are some anger-management tips, courtesy of the Mayo Clinic:

• Take a self-imposed "time out." Count to 10 before reacting or leaving the situation.

• Pour your anger into physical activity, such as exercise—go for a walk or a run, swim a few laps, hit the weights or shoot off and monitor your reactions. some hoops.

exercises, visualize a relaxing scene, or repeat a calming word or phrase to calm and soothe you. Listening to music, painting or writing in a journal can also reduce the anger level.

 Consider what you'll say carefully before you speak.

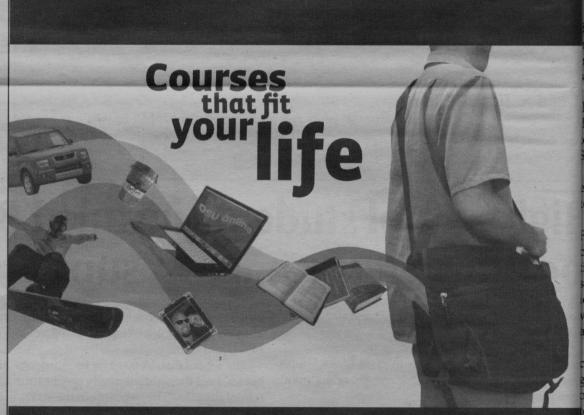
 Practice a bit of syntax. Use "I" statements when describing the problem to avoid placing blame. For instance, say "I'm upset you didn't help with the housework this evening," instead of, "You should have helped with the housework."

•Let bygones be just that. Forgive the person that caused you stress and anger. You can never expect everyone to behave exactly as you'd like.

 Unleash some humor in a heated moment. Brevity can work wonders in defusing an-

• Maintain an anger journal to identify situations that set you

• Finally, if your anger seems • Practice deep-breathing on the brink of becoming a violent episode, seek counseling from a psychotherapist or an anger management professional.



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Come exchange ideas and help set remodel priorities. Free pizza will be available at both forums.

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## CAMPUS NE

News about Linn-Benton Community College, including the administration, faculty and students on campus.

### Honor student wins national award and plans trip to China next year

Cara Cady

From LBCC News Service

Cara Cady, an Oregon Transfer psychology major, has been named a recipient of the 2006 Phi Theta Kappa National Dean's List Scholarship.

Recipients of the National Dean's ist Scholarship are chosen by a andom search and each receives a 250 scholarship.

"The National Dean's List Scholrship rewards students who have lemonstrated academic excellence nd a commitment to improving

heir communities," explains Rod A. Risley, Phi Theta Cappa executive director.

"Cara exemplifies the outstanding students enrolled ot only at Linn-Benton Community College, but at ommunity colleges everywhere."

Cady, a Corvallis resident, was also nominated by TK to attend an International Scholarship and Literaure Program heading to China next summer.

She will be part of a delegation on anthropology and archaeology and will participate in an archaeological dig in China. The group will also tour the Great Wall of China and visit the famed Terra Cotta Statues.

"This is an exciting opportunity for me," said Cady. "It shows how getting good grades really does count."

The National Dean's List is a prestigious compilation of honor students in two-year and four-year degree programs. Community college students from states and nations hosting Phi Theta Kappa chapters were chosen to receive this award.

Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society, headquartered in Jackson, is the largest honor society in American higher education.

It boasts 1,200 chapters on two-year and four-year college campuses in all 50 of the United States, Canada, Germany, the Republic of Palau, the British Virgin Islands and U.S. territorial possessions.

More than two million students have been inducted since its founding in 1918, with approximately 100,000 students inducted annually.

### SMART: Young children penefit from readers

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or 30 minutes apiece.

"All we ask from a volunteer is one hour a week. We o have some volunteers who are seniors who read two three hours a week, but we just ask that volunteers ake a one-hour commitment just once a week," Fridley

There is also a need for Spanish-speaking volunteers in e program. "We have a number of schools in Corvallis at have bilingual and emersion approaches. We need have someone who can read and speak to them in panish," Fridley said.

During the course of the school year, children can orn free books through the program as an incentive

Although LB students' schedules change each term, ridley asked that students commit to reading to their ildren once a week while the program is in operaon. "It's really important for that bond to form," she id. "We really encourage people to volunteer with the ea to complete the SMART year with the kids. When plunteers don't come or stop volunteering, the kids

Those who are interested in volunteering with SMART n fill out an application online at www.getsmartoren.org. The application takes about 10 minutes to fill t, Fridley said. Applicants will be asked to submit a criminal background check. Applicants who are t comfortable with a computer can call the Central lley SMART office at (541) 754-4965 or inquire about program at the school of their choice.

### High School: Enrollment jumps due to new law

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the main reasons for the increase in enrollment is heavier recruitment by the schools. A lot of this drive comes from Senate Bill 300, passed by the state Legislature last year, which forces high schools to help students who want to continue into secondary education to achieve their goals.

"It's a win-win-win: a win for the student, a win for the high school and a win for the college."

**Kathy Chafin** 

Chafin said, "It's a win-win-win: a win for the student, a win for the high school and a win for the college."

She explaiend that the students in these programs are getting free college credit, the high schools are getting higher test scores and are receiving more money for having more students enrolled full time, and the college has 65 more enrollments.

Many of these students are from smaller high schools and have never been at a school as large as LBCC.

"It was a little bit of culture shock for the first two weeks," said Steve Rist, "but after a while I got used to

Rist and other students enjoy being a normal part of the student body and not being treated any different than any other student. "Not many people know I'm younger," Rist said, "and when they do they're shocked."

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### **PERSPECTIVES**

"What's the scariest movie you've ever seen, and why?"



"The Exorcist, It's extremely real and it deals with heaven and hell, God and the Devil."

"Texas Chainsaw Massacre (the remake). because it was a little gory and it was about murder and being murdered is one of the scariest things."



Felipe Eversule



"The Exorcist still gives me the heebie-geebies. It's the whole good and evil thing. It's so scary that it could actually be

"Teletubbies. Things that make no sensehave no purpose in the world. Their ourpose could be like to destroy little kids."



Shawn Clark



"Ten Little Indians (based on a book because there were a bunch of people at this camp and they died 10 different ways. The killer revealed himself to one of the people at the end of the movie."

"E.T., when I was like 8-years-old. It frightened me. I was scared because of the military people."



Colin Morris

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## OPINION

Send letters to The Commut Turn into Forum 222. Please sign th and keep them at 300 words or le

### Voters must ignore the mud-slingers to find best candidate

"I am Darlene Hooley and I approved this message." These most irritating words have become very famous in this off-year election.

Campaign commercials are so repetitious and ridiculous that it has become a vote for the person with the best advertisement.

We fill our brains with the constant rumors and idiotic catch phrases, as if television isn't pointless enough.

How can you possibly trust candidates that are continually insulting, smearing and lying about each other? It is as if political candidates harass and bludgeon voters with their niceties and their opponents' so-called mistakes into choosing them for the office where they wish to be seated.



You wouldn't buy a car without a test drive; you shouldn't cast a vote without the facts.

#### KASANDRA STARR

Common sense tells us that those who tell lies about others should be trusted with great caution, if trusted at all. Therefore, how is it even fathomable that a liar could possibly make a trustworthy and positive candidate?

If a mayoral candidate lies about their opponent and their opponent's policies, then who's to say that they will not lie about the way money is spent and the things they plan to do while in office? There is no such thing

Yes, in fact, I am stating that a lot of campaigns are a malicious and hateful act of cruelty aimed at the opposing candidate, but I am not stating that all campaigns are purposed that way.

I am aware that politicians are only doing this to earn support on Election Day, but that does not justify harming the reputation and possibly stealing the candidacy from someone else.

It honestly just baffles me that after a candidate could openly lie repeatedly, people are still standing fully behind and voting for a liar.

Not only are the candidates at fault but so are we as the voters. We often choose to listen to and endorse the rumors and lies we hear on these "harmless" advertise-

The voters choose to be lazy, and we do not research the things we hear. We tend to assume that since the words came from an authority figure that they must be true. As the great rebels of our time and times past would say, "Question authority!"

As children we never believed we would get old, have kids and get married. We would have never believed that by this time in our lives we would be where we are at now. We knew to question authority then, why can't we do it now?

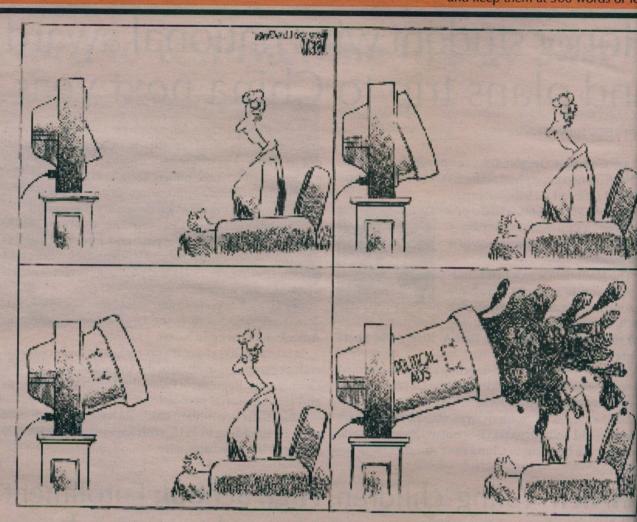
We have become so irresponsible that we will do our deed as citizens and cast our very valuable votes, and when we vote for a useless candidate and they are elected it all turns to moans and groans about how terrible he or she is and how they are depleting the ozone layer. That whole process seems a little silly to me.

Think of it in this perspective. It is time to purchase a car. A new one is far too expensive for a college student so you are choosing to buy one used. You finally decide on a 1998 Ford Explorer. The salesman tells you that the car is in perfect running order. He offers a test drive but you decline because he is so nice and would not lie to

You did not do your research, so you do not know that '98s have a short in the battery cable and you break down in an abandoned town. You should have done your research.

You wouldn't buy a car without a test drive; you shouldn't cast a vote without the facts.

So this year forget the commercials, forget being a Republican or a Democrat, forget what other people say and vote for what you believe and what you think is right. If you don't you may not notice the perfect candidate even if they hit you right between the eyes.



### To toke or to tipple: One can get you locked up, the other can get you killed

early every college student in the U.S. today drinks alcohol and/or smokes marijuana. The largest distinction that people view between the two is that one is legal and the other is not. But there are many more differences than this.

When one drinks alcohol, at least nowadays, one doesn't stop at just one or two drinks. Binge drinking is a common practice, classified as four or more drinks for a female and five or more drinks for a male. When

one becomes completely inebriated with alcohol, stupid behavior almost always follows. Often this stupid behavior not only affects the individual, but also those around them.

Marijuana smoking can also lead to stupid behavior. But the degree of intoxication is nothing compared to

that with alcohol use. Marijuana also has many fewer adverse health effects than alcohol. Excessive smoking for years and years probably isn't great for the lungs, but the incidence of cancer isn't nearly as high as that with tobacco, since you don't have to smoke as much to get the desired high.

In addition, marijuana has many health benefits. It is ed as a medicine to treat chronic nausea and vomiting, especially that associated with chemotherapy of cancer patients. It also helps pain relief, glaucoma, and depression.

Alcohol can severely damage the liver, brain cells, stomach, throat, teeth, etc. Also, the behavior associated with alcohol use is far more dangerous than that with marijuana. You smoke a bowl, you relax, eat a bit more, and ramble on about random things that ha happened the last time you were high. You binge dri you stumble around, laugh until you start to feel I vomiting, and the likelihood of violence toward of ers is far higher than if you'd smoked marijuana. A probably the worst part about alcohol abuse is that y don't even remember half of it the next day. The o obvious sign is the hangover.

When one becomes completely inebriated with alcohol, stupid behavior almost always follows.

**ELIZABETH URIARTE** 

It's one thing to have "fun" during the college ye and engage in drink with friends. But ma people don't stop drinking when they s school, and move on become alcoholics.

> True, many peor who smoke marijua move on to become p heads, but those peo are generally far mo

functional in society than drunks. I've never been beat or abused by someone high on marijuana, but I mo definitely have suffered as a result of others' alcor abuse, and I am far from alone in this.

Why is marijuana illegal then, when alcohol is legal There is a stigma associated with marijuana that is let over from the 1930s, which began as a false assumptly that only Mexican-Americans used the drug.

The government, as a means to prohibit marijuan used the already present racism against these people

Unlike the alcohol prohibition, that of marijua continues to this day. It has absolutely no logical scientific basis. It is purely an ignorant governmens statute that persists in our culture. I don't think evo the legislators know why.

#### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Younger students' help older students feel accepted

To the Editor:

As I sit here and ponder doing my homework, I am moved in a different direction. As a 54-year-old returning student, I had many fears. Would my brain work? Could I keep up with the demands of working and attending college? How would the kids treat me?

As a second year student I have learned that the brain still does work, the demands are rigorous but with determination they can be met. What really amazes me is the way I have been treated by the students on campus that are younger than my own two daughters.

Your acceptance and friendship has complete astounded me. Never once have you made me feel of of place because of my age. You have encouraged i in the learning process.

Daily I look at many of you with awe and think w bright, intelligent young people these are. You ha your whole lives ahead of you to make a change in the society and from what I have experienced from you am sure we will be in good hands.

> Nancy Shadon LBCC Stude

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## ARTS ENTERTAINMENT Information about plays, movies, books, artwork, and other entertaining or artistic endeavors.

# MAIZE CRAZE

## ocal farms offer up cornucopia of fun

ran Nash e Commuter

With Halloween just around e corner everyone is finding mething spooky and fun help celebrate this holiday ason. One way of doing so taking a hay ride at a nearby mpkin patch or maybe walkthrough a corn stalk maze at

e of many farms in the area fer lots of fun for the entire

 Davis Family Farm, located rth of Corvallis on Highway , has many activities to offer, ch as hay rides, a pumpkin tch, a hay bale pyramid and orn maze. A hay ride and a p through the corn maze will st you \$2. You can also purase your choice of pumpkins m the large pumpkin patch. e farm is open Saturdays d Sundays from 9 a.m. to 6 n. through Oct. 29. For more

 Heavenly Harvest, located ween Albany and Corvallis Highway 20, includes hay-

ormation call 752-0697.

rides, unlimited duck races for kids that are only \$1, a corn box, a hay bale maze, pumpkin ice cream, cider and an opportunity to take a family photo. For \$1 you can have four shots with the corn cannon which shoots ears of corn about 500 feet. There are prizes for shooting corn into a barrel. This farm is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sundays.

 Muddy Creek Maze, located South of Corvallis has a six-acre maze, a pumpkin patch, horse drawn hay rides and tractor tire corn boxes. New this year is a childern's straw play area and a moo train.

The maze will become haunted from 7:30 to 10 p.m. on Oct. 26 and 27. The cost is \$6 for adults, \$4 for children ages 6 to 11 and free for children 5 and

To get to Muddy Creek Maze travel south from Corvallis on Highway 99W for six miles, turn right on Llewellyn Road and continue 2.7 miles to the maze.



photo by Jesse Skoubo

Springfield high school student Jessica Mills is surprised by one of the many costumed spooks who haunt the Lone Pine Farm corn maze north of Eugene. Lone Pine Farm is one of the most popular Halloween sites in the mid-valley, with visitors lining up to get in by the 7 p.m. opening time. The haunted maze features several other attractions designed to startle and amuse, including a haunted bus, and a recreation of the main street from the movie, "The Hills Have Eyes." The farm is located on River Road, five miles north of **Beltline Highway near Junction City.** 

For more information call 754-6703 or 740-3869.

• The Trolley of Terror, in downtown Albany, is offering tours of "Haunted Albany" from 6 to 11 p.m. Oct. 28 and on Halloween. Trolley riders will hear ghost stories while riding downtown. Rides will leave hourly from Ciddici's Pizza. The cost

is \$10 per person. The proceeds will benefit The Monteith House Historical Society. For reservations call the Albany Visitors Association at 926-0911.

• Tennessee Thunder Railroad outside of Lebanon has a train, which is built to one-quarter scale and runs on 1,800 feet of 15-gauge rail. There is also a

straw fort and pumpkin patch. The railroad is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sundays. Other times are available by appointment. The cost is \$4 for adults, \$3 for kids 2 to 12 and free forkids younger then 2. For more information call 259-4885 or visit tennesseethunderrailroad.com.

### Old church akes on new ife as art and oga studio

e Commuter

Fifteen faces stare down from a shelf the wall and a large, open, hardwood or spans out when first entering Comnicating Vessels, an art, dance and ga studio located in an old church at rd and Montgomery in downtown

Inspired by life and artists such as dy Warhol, Jim Piercey has been ating his unique human face artwork ce 1978. Each piece has a different and ginal face incorporated in it.

He creates everything from vases of sizes, each with faces pushed into the nt, to drums in the shape of human ds. "I always wish I could make a d, then have someone walk through door and be like, 'That's you," he

Piercey is a self-proclaimed artist who nts to break out of the stereotype cred by society. "When someone tells you m a police officer,' how often do you r'Can you make a living at that?' But en you say 'I am an artist' you always r 'Can you make money doing that? you pay your bills?"

Communicating Vessels has been open four weeks, so business is still slow. rcey and his wife Brooke offer a wide



photo by Jesse Skoubo

Local self-proclaimed artist Jim Piercey displays a life-sized model of a human head at his art studio in a remodeled old church in Albany. Piercey and his wife also hold concerts and yoga classes in their Communicating Vessels Studio.

"I always wish I could make a head then have someone walk through the door and be like, 'That's you.'"

Jim Piercey

range of classes in yoga, dance and art.

Their studio also holds unconventional concerts featuring harpists and flute players. Their goal is to create a calm environment for those who just want to relax.

Piercey does create many products to try to sell. One of his first was the "Anti-Nuclear War Head." They are small, white figurines in the shape of human heads, but when looked at from the right angle they look like mushroom clouds.

The faces on the heads have no eyes, which Piercey said is meant to reflect the effects of the bomb dropped on Hiroshima, Japan, where people's eyes melted away from the radiation and heat.

Other pieces for sale are key chains with words he has created, such as "dyscalvia": the inability to find one's keys.

He also makes coins with faces that he calls "Jimpis" and small peapods with human heads for the peas, which he calls "pod families." Pewter figures in yoga positions and pewter animals to hold open books are other pieces he has

"Some people say trying to make money off of your art is 'selling out," he said. "They should try living off of 'selling out; 'it isn't any easier than if you hadn't." Piercey does not believe art has a definite value. "Whether a piece sells for \$20 or \$20 million, what does it matter?"

### Floater unveils latest CD at Eugene event

**MaryAnne Turner** The Commuter

On Saturday Floater will release their new CD "Stone By Stone" at a concert will be held at the McDonald Theatre in Eugene.

Tickets start at \$13 in advance and can be purchased at any TicketsWest located at most Safeway's customer service desks. The show begins at 8 p.m.

The band will play "Stone By Stone" from cover to cover during the first set and will switch to a second play list in the second set

Floater released their first CD, "Sink," in 1994 and their second, "Glyph," the next year. After three years they released a tribute album to a close friend who died of a heroine overdose called "Angels in the Flesh and Devils in the Bone."

Between 1999 to 2002 they released a new CD every year--"The Great Release (live)," "Burning Sosobra," "Live at the Aladdin," and "Alter."

The cover of "Burning Sosobra" shows a man on fire with a beach sunset background. For that photo they made a 10-foot-tall paper maché man and set it on fire on the Oregon Coast.

In 2004 they released two albums, "Acoustics" and then "Lives," which is a compilation of "The Great Release" and "Live at the Aladdin" that was in high demand among fans.

Now, 12 years after their first release, the fans have been getting louder and so has Floater.

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News about Linn-Benton Commu faculty and students on camp



#### **Bunko Party seeks** prize donations

American Association of Women in Community Colleges (AAWCC) is looking for donations of prizes for the 7th Annual Bunko Party. If you have any prizes you would like to donate contact Ginger Peterson at ext. 4258 or Tammi Drury at ext. 4530. The party raises money for the annual Thanksgiving Food Drive. This year's party will be held on Oct. 27 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the Albany Senior Center. The cost is \$5.

#### Author speaks on local history

LBCC's Valley Writers Series hosts Oregon native and historian Ted Cox as he presents "Writing Local History: Uncovering the Toledo Incident of 1925" today from noon to 12:50 p.m. in North Santiam Hall Room 209. Cox recounts his journey researching, writing and publishing the Toledo Incident, in which resident Japanese sawmill workers asserted and won their civil rights after a mob intimidated them and ran them out of town. The event is free.

#### Center opens door to the Internet

Learn to navigate the Internet by taking the class "Open the Door to the Internet" at LBCC's Sweet Home Center. The class covers Internet terms and definitions, how to confidently navigate from site to site, and how to use a variety of browsers and search engines. Class will meet on Thursdays from 1 to 3:50 p.m. starting Oct. 26 in the LBCC Sweet Home Center, Room 104. Cost is \$33 with a \$1 lab fee. Oregon residents 62 years and over receive a discount of half-price on tuition. For more information or to register, call (541) 367-6901 or visit online at www.linnbenton.edu.

#### **Culinary students** present Fall Banquet

It's time for the annual Fall Banquet presented to you by the LBCC culinary arts students. This year the theme is "A Taste of the West Coast" and will feature foods from the coastal states of Washington, Oregon and California. The banquet will be held Nov.3 at 6:30 p.m. in the College Center Commons Dining Room and will cost \$21.50 per person. For menu information or to purchase tickets call (541) 917-4391 or go to College Center Room 214.

**OFFICE HOURS** 

### **Unusual questions** keep LB's Darci Dance on her toes

**Elizabeth Uriarte** The Commuter

If you take a psychology class at LB, chances are you'll run into Darci Dance, one of the college's two full-time psychology instructors. Dance's educational background mirrors that of the average college student today. She "danced" around from subject to subject before settling on psychology as her ultimate career objective.

#### Why did you choose psychology as your field of expertise?

I went through quite an evolution. When I went to college, I really had no idea. And so to pretend I had an idea, I decided to be an accountant like my father. And that lasted all of two semesters. Then I moved into the field of mass communication. Believe it or not, I wanted to be a journalist. It was fun, but then I decided that I really didn't want to do that. It wasn't the clinical aspect that I was ever interested in. [Apsychologist] was talking about all the research she was doing, and that's when I decided to go into psychology.

#### What made you decide to become a teacher?

When I started psychology and decided I wanted to be a research psychologist, I was originally going to go for my Ph.D. You automatically assume, especially in the research field, you're going to end up as a professor somewhere. Whether I liked teaching or not hadn't occurred to me until graduate school. I was a T.A. for statistics, a graduate teaching assistant. I decided I liked it, and I wanted to get as much experience as I could.

#### How long have you been teaching at LB?

Four years, this is my fifth year. Before that I taught at a tiny, tiny little school in Montana called Miles Community College, where I did my time, got my experience, and didn't get paid anything.

Where are you from originally? Pocatello, Idaho.

#### What unusual things do students ask?

Wow, I have a lot of those, because I teach Human Sexuality. A lady...actually asked me if breaking the hymen caused you not to be a virgin anymore. She did not mean it as a sign that a child had had sex; she actually had a 13-year-old daughter. Her husband refused to let [their daughter] use tampons because he said if she used a tampon she wouldn't be a virgin anymore because it would break the hymen. So I had to explain that virginity had more to do with sexual activity than breaking the hymen. I keep a file! I keep a file because sometimes I get repeat questions. 'Do sperm grow a tail or do they always have one?' That's another



photo by Jesse Skoubo

Psychology instructor Darci Dance teaches wellness strategies to her General Psychology 203 class.

good one.

What's the most common question you're

One of the most common questions I get asked has to do with women ejaculating. And birth control questions are a big one, too.

#### What advice would you offer someone interested in a career in teaching or psychology?

In teaching, you'd better be sure you like it, because it is a lot of work for not a lot of money. But it is rewarding. And you get summers off, but you don't get paid for it. Psychology [majors], I would caution them to be aware of all the different options out there. A degree in psychology does not get you a job in the field that pays more. You could work in a group home or with the disabled, but you're not going to make any more money than somebody that doesn't have a psychology degree. So if you want a job in the field of psychology making a decent wage, you will have to go to graduate school.

Do you like Oregon?

I love Oregon. Oregon is wonderful, I think. Beautiful, lots of stuff to do, and I don't mind the rain.

#### What kind of music do you like?

I am eclectic, I like to call my musical taste. On my iPod, I have everything from Nine Inch Nails to Ray Charles. And I have some Dixie Chicks, believe it or not. I'm not so big into country music; there are just a couple of songs that I like. Mostly alternative, as it has been so since high school, besides my brief butt-rock stage. But yeah, it was

### New e-zin gets name

Michelle Turner The Commuter

"The Muses' Handprint the name of LBCC's new e tronic literary magazine.

It's a blend of two na submitted by Sandy Jensen Paul Richards. Jensen, a fac member in the English dep ment, and Richards, a grap design major, will both h their choice of prizes-eith \$50 gift certificate good at LBCC Bookstore or a \$30 lu gift certificate good at LBC Santiam Restaurant.

Jensen submitted the na "The Digital Handprint" Richards submitted "The Dig Muse." According to Nat Daley, advisor for the new zine, both names were lil so well that they decided combine them and award t winners of the naming cont

Submissions for the e-z are now being accepted a are open to students, staff, a faculty, as well as commun members.

Daley is encouraging subn sions in all forms, from essi and poetry to music, short file photography and textile a Submissions should be in .jp .mp3, .wmv, or .mov file form and should be submitted the Web site www.linnbent

"If you want to get your st out there and allow people to: who we are and what we do, t is the place for it," said Dale Deadline for submissions

The e-zine will be publish annually every spring. To upcoming writing classes w have a hand in crafting the fir publication. Winter term, V 247 will evaluate all subm sions and in spring, WR 246 w create the final design and W

Daley, who will teach bo classes, says these classes w help prepare students who a looking to go out and work publications after college.

#### **CLASSIFIEDS**

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#### Referees

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## **SPORTS**

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# OSU: Beavers ook for huge pset Saturday

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ff for the turnaround. "The ff is doing a great job pulling see guys back and focusing the fundamentals. We have de progress this year."

Perhaps the Beavers' stiffest to the season lies in front of the this Saturday, as they host third-ranked USC Trojans 0, 4-0). Moore knows that a Beavers had better step uper play at home if they have y chance of upsetting the unfeated Trojans. "We've got to y focused and play at home ewe did on the road."

The game may be even toughfor the Beavers after losing rting running back Yvenson mard late in Saturday's win than apparent ankle injury. Without Bernard, who is aked second in the conference rushing, the Beavers would ed to rely heavily on their ssing game, which has been erage—at best.

Moore has completed over percent of his passes this ar, but has also thrown as my interceptions as he has achdowns—six. It is common owledge that, if the Beavers going to beat USC, Moore ast have the game of his life. The OSU running game will I to junior tailback Clinton lk, who has 116 yards rushing is season in limited action.

The Beavers may be forced use their defense to win this me. The unit has improved erthe past three games giving only 40 points after giving up to Cal on Sept. 30.

USC comes in with the topnked defense in the conferce, giving up an average of 15 ints per game. However, they ranked second in the Pac-10 otal defense while the Beavers right behind them.

The Trojans bring the secondaked passer in the conference, an David Booty. Booty has own for 13 touchdowns and over 1,300 yards this season, first as a starter.

The Trojans appear to be a cy beatable team. Their last ee wins have each been by s than a touchdown and two them have been at home. It is USC team doesn't have the cincibility that they have had er the last few seasons.

The last time USC came to rvallis was in 2004 when the ggie Bush and Matt Leinart-Trojans beat the Beavers 28-20 he evening fog.

The Beavers hope their montum will carry on for one re week. This Beaver team a chance to show that their ly season problems are bed them. By beating USC, the evers and their fans will not be to look to the past. They I be permanently fixed on a y bright future.

## Rogers 'gambles' his way to Game 2 win

Jake Rosenberg
The Commuter

ot only did St. Louis make it to the World Series despite only one run-batted-in off the stick of Albert Pujols in the seven-game NLCS, the Cards took the opener over favored Detroit in convincing fashion.

The Cards shocked Detroit and the Comerica Park standing room only crowd of 42,479 with a 7-2 victory on Saturday to steal home field advantage away from the rusty Tigers, who had not played since they beat Oakland the previous Saturday to take the American League pennant.

Saturday's win ends a NL World Series winless drought that dates back to the Florida Marlins 2-0 Game 6 victory over the Yankees on Oct. 25, 2003 and could also put an end to the league's nickname as 'quadruple-A baseball.'

Two players that weren't playing in the Triple-A ranks too long ago faced off on the mound in Game 1, which was a first in the Fall Classic.

Tigers ace and AL Rookieof-the-Year front-runner Justin Verlander was surprisingly out-dueled by fellow rookie Anthony Reyes, who had the fewest regular season wins of any Game 1 starter in World Series history and wasn't even on the Cardinals NLDS roster.

Verlander managed 8 strikeouts in only 5 innings while consistently hitting the high 90s on the radar. However, he also gave up six earned runs, seven total, while Reyes retired 17 consecutive batters en route to the winning decision and ending the Tigers seven game post-season winning streak.

The Cardinals jumped on Verlander in the second inning as third baseman Scott Rolen

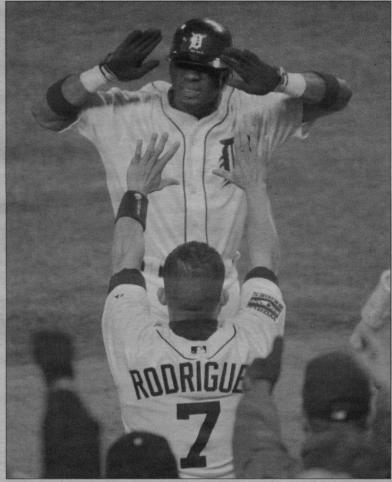


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Detroit Tigers outfielder Craig Monroe is greeted at home by catcher Ivan Rodriguez after his fifth post-season home run, a solo blast in the first inning of Detroit's 3-1 Game 2 win that tied the 2006 World Series at one game a piece.

tied the score at 1-1 with a blast to left field. Pujols followed suit in the third with a opposite field two-run shot to double his NLCS RBI output.

"Obviously, he burned us," Tigers Manager Jim Leyland said of his questionable decision to test Pujols. "I'll take the heat for that."

A Game 1 rematch between Verlander and Reyes is slated for tomorrow after the Tigers evened the series at one game a piece with their 3-1 Game 2 victory on Sunday.

Kenny Rogers surrendered only two hits over eight shutout innings in a dominant performance that wasn't without controversy. In the middle of the second inning umpires ordered Rogers to wash his hand after complaints from the St. Louis bench. FOX TV cameras spotted a dark substance below Rogers' thumb on his throwing hand.

"It was a big clump of dirt, and I wiped it off," Rogers said. "I didn't know it was there, and they told me and I took it off, and it wasn't a big deal."

Many Cardinals players and coaches begged to differ as they were unable to mount any offensive attack in their first two innings at the plate.

"There were guys upstairs

watching TV and they came down and said it was on TV," Cardinals pitching coach Dave Duncan said. "Any time you get a better grip on the ball, you're going to increase the velocity of the spin on the ball, whether you're throwing a curveball, sinker, slider, whatever it is. It would have more bite."

The Tigers recognize the controversy but are far from crediting the unknown foreign substance to the teams success.

"I know (Cardinals Manager Tony LaRussa) said, 'Hey, I don't want to make any issue here, but a couple of my players are saying that the ball is acting a little funny,'" Leyland said. "And obviously they were a little suspicious but he was pretty clean the rest of the way,"

Whether Rogers had pine tar on his hand or just dirt, many suspicions will continue to circle despite his convincing performance in the six innings following his hand sanitizing.

"Somebody said they thought they saw pine tar on him. That's about it," Cardinals second baseman Aaron Miles said. "Whether he got rid of it, or he never had it in the first place, we don't know. His stuff was good all game."

Rogers "The Gambler" extended his scoreless streak to 23 post-season innings this year and 24 one-third postseason innings overall, a streak that began in 2003 with Minnesota. It's the longest streak since Curt Schilling tossed 25 scoreless innings in 1993 and 2001.

2005 Cy Young winner Chris Carpenter looked to match Rogers' performance in Game 3 and give the Cardinals the series lead on Tuesday. Results were not available as of press time. Tonight's Game 4 matches up NLCS MVP Jeff Suppan against Detroit's Jeremy Bonderman in St. Louis.



Wednesday:

ENTREES: Roast chicken w/ pan gravy and pork enchiladas w/ refried beans VEGETARIAN: Pasta bar

SIDES: Mashed potatoes, Mexican rice, and glazed carrots a l'Acienne SOUPS: Cream of broccoli and Won Ton

Thursday:

ENTREES: French dip w/ fries and fettuccine w/ clam sauce VEGETARIAN: Vegetable calzone SIDES: Steak fries, creamy pesto pasta, and garlic mushrooms SOUPS: Creamy roasted chicken and garlic soup w/ tomato

Friday:

Monday:

ENTREES: Grilled pork chop w/ sauce and chicken gumbo w/ Creole rice VEGETARIAN: Sweet and sour Tempeh w/ rice SIDES: Cheese and potato Croquettes, rice pilaf, and zucchini pancakes SOUPS: Chicken noodle and cream of tomato

**Tuesday:** 

ENTREES: Reuben sandwich w/ coléslaw and Irish lamb stew VEGETARIAN: Thai vegetable curry w/ steamed rice SIDES: Twice baked potato, creamy pesto shells, and green beans w/ mushrooms SOUPS: Shrimp bisque and French onion

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## Runners headed to postseason after two big wins

"We are an improved

team and we took care

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Caleb Hawley
The Commuter

The Lady Runner volleyball team took care of business in two big, must-win games last weekend on the road at Coos Bay and Roseburg, guaranteeing

them a spot in the postseason

15-15 overall) out-dueled South-

western Oregon CC at Coos Bay

on Friday night in impressive

fashion, winning in three sets 31-

29, 30-24, 32-30. In the first and

third sets LB made comebacks

from considerable deficits with

back-and-forth battles that went

Coates, who led the match with

18 kills. Coates' performance

made her the Southern Region

Offensive Player of the Week.

Darci Williamson registered 26

assists, which was a match high

as well. The team leader in digs

was Tara Stuart with 13. Lei Hi-

man-Teves also had 12 digs and

three aces. Coates also led the

eled to Roseburg and pulled off

a repeat performance against

The following night LB trav-

match in blocks with five.

The big hitter for LB was Cady

into extra frames.

The Runners (4-4 in league,

tournament.

Umpqua, winning in straight sets 30-23, 30-26, 30-26.

Coates again led the match with 13 kills, followed by Amanda Douglas with 12. Williamson led the Runners in assists with 22. Himan-Teves registered a team high-10 digs and Stuart scored

"The SWOCC game was huge," said head coach Jayme Frazier. "They were the team

we had to beat in order to avoid a playoff into the tournament. They were tight games. We were really ready for the crowd. The crowd was a non-factor."

**Jayme Frazier** 

She added that the next match against Umpqua was another must-win.

"We knew we had to win because if we lost, that would have put SWOCC back in position to force a playoff. We just knew that if we played our game we would do well against Umpqua, and that's exactly what we did. The match wasn't as close as the scores indicated. Everyone was playing and everyone was contributing. We are an improved team, and we took care of business. We are really hitting better. Cady Coates played outstanding. Her hitting efficiency was great."

Next, LB travels to the Treasure Valley Crossover tournament in Ontario Nov. 3 and 4.



photo by Chris Cample

The LBCC baseball team has been scrimmaging and practicing this fall as part of the annual Fall Ball tryot Games are open to the public Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 3 to 6 p.m.

### 'Fall Ball' brings hope for next season

Curtis Tillery
The Commuter

After finishing in third place in the Southern Region, the Roadrunners appear to have another promising season, with some new and old faces.

This year the Roadrunners, as they were last year, will be a young team. The roster is not yet set in stone, so there are still opportunities for athletes to become the next rising star. It won't be that easy, though, athletes must first enroll in head coach Greg Hawk's training camp.

PE 190 or Beginning Baseball is a class that Hawk is using to address his needs for the upcoming season. In this class, the returning players and future hopefuls get the opportunity to impress coach Hawk. They have the opportunity to showcase their skills with drills such as batting practice, conditioning, fielding and they even get to have their own league of sorts. In this league coach Hawk splits the players into teams. Each team is comprised of both the returning players and the hopeful walk-ons. This year's Fall-Ball

or "Fun-Ball" as Hawk referred to it, has be promising, he said. The three teams have almount identical records. Tyler Pickett's Feather Weight seem to have locked down the No. 1 position after defeating Bryant Kraus' team Big Hurt le Wednesday. The potential Roadrunners have ready scrimmaged five teams and the prognotis good, Hawk said.

Among notable returning players are soph mores Kraus, Pickett and Casey Humphrey. The are also the respective captains for the class. Krahad a great season last year, averaging .309 at the plate and being named First Team All-Conferent He was also the recipient of last year's Ford Kimton scholarship. Pickett was honored as a Secon Team All-League relief pitcher, posting five saw with an ERA of 2.51.

The PE 190 class began Sept. 25 and will nuntil late October. Games and practices are play at the Albany Campus field Monday, Wednesd and Friday from 3 to 6 p.m. The field is location the west end of the parking lot. All events a open for anyone to come and enjoy—weath permitting, of course.

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The Pac-10's all-time touchdown reception leader Dwayne Jarrett (front) and the undefeated, third-ranked Trojans visit Reser Stadium this Saturday to play the Beavers.

# Beavers tame Wildcats, take of USC Trojans Saturday at Reser

Adam Loghides
The Commuter

After one trip north and one trip south, the Oregon State football season is finally headed in the right direction.

The Beavers continued their winning ways with a second straight road win last Saturday, 17-10 over the University of Arizona, improving their record to 4-3 overall and 2-2 in Pac-10 play. The Wildcats fell to 3-5 overall and 1-4.

The outcome did not come easily for the Beavers, as they had to defend a potential game-tying pass on the game's final play to preserve the win. Daniel Drayton's interception at the 1-yard line ended the game, sending the Beavers on a very happy plane trip home with something they haven't had in a while.

"Momentum. That's the only word that comes to mind," Beaver quarterback Matt Moore said after the game. Moore finished the game 16-for-22, passing for 181 yards. He threw two interceptions, but also threw one touchdown and ran for another. He is beginning to get back on the Beaver fans' good side after

sub-par performances against Cal at Boise State. Although Moore's play w

good enough to win last Saturday, there is no doubting that the victory fell directly on the shoulders of the Beavers' defense.

After taking a 14-0 first quarter lead, OSU's defense took

over. They yielded only 183 total yard including only 22 on the ground, at harassed Arizona third-string quart back Kris Heavner all day, forcing his to throw two interceptions.

Adam Loghide

The unforced errors that were killing the Beavers earlier in the season were, it the most part, eliminated. OSU commuted only three penalties the whole game and never did give up a touchdowned defense. The Wildcats' lone touchdown came on a 67-yard punt return by Syndr Steptoe midway through the third quart that brought Arizona back to 14-10. The would not score again.

Coach Mike Riley credits his coachir

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