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"On Rappel!"

ROTC students from OSU shout out as they practice rappelling at the Corvallis Fire Department Training Station. Larry Clement, a professor of military science from Oregon State, encourages students from LBCC to join with active ROTC students. The opportunity for active duty is good right now because the Army needs commissioned officers who are both mentally and physically in tune, he said. Acting as mentors, the older cadets help new students to succeed academically through a "buddy system." There are approximately 100 cadets in this program now and Clement says the Army hopes to see it grow to 200. Scholarships are available for those students interested in ROTC. For more information about the ROTC program, contact any faculty member at OSU or Lt. Col. Lawrence D. Clement at 737-3511.

Photos by Carol Rich



College eyes new plan for student loans

by Kristy Wise
of The Commuter

When President Bill Clinton launched a revamped national student loan program this summer, he promised it would give millions of college students a brighter future.

But LBCC Financial Aid Director Lance Popoff decided he'd better wait and see before committing the college to the pilot program.

The new direct loan program will finance student loans over a 30-year payback period. Traditional loans are financed through banks and private lenders that add fees to the loans, and require repayment within 10 years.

The president said the new program will make financial aid more accessible to more students.

Under the current system, students take loans out through the college, which goes through a local lender such as a bank, which then sells the student loans to investors at a mark up, often 2 percent or more. These loans are a safe investment because they are guaranteed by the federal government. If the student defaults, the government is required to pay that investor what the student couldn't.

The new direct loan program cuts the bank and investors out of the transaction, providing student loans directly from the federal government.

Clinton expects the plan to save taxpayers \$4.3 billion dollars over the next five years by lowering the default rate.

The new plan is now being implemented in only 104 colleges nationwide, including the University of Oregon. Oregon State is expected to join the direct loan program for the 1995-96 school year.

According to Popoff, LBCC has chosen not to participate in the direct loan program as of yet. One of the reasons is the fact that the direct loan program, if implemented at LBCC, would exclude the allowance of any other type of loan.

Popoff is waiting to assess the long term impact of the plan.

"The direct loan seems to be a good program," he said. "We want to see how effective it is, and if it is going to stay in the loan program even if they can't save the projected \$4.3 billion over the next five years. Since colleges can't administer both types of loans simultaneously, it's a decision we will have

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State candidates to air views in campus forum

Several candidates for state office will present their positions and take questions from students at a Candidate Forum on Thursday, Oct. 6, from 11:30-12:30 a.m. in Room F-104.

"Students can have the opportunity to have their questions answered by political candidates," explained Julianne Loftus, who is legislative

coordinator for the Associated Students of LBCC (ASLBCC). Loftus said the candidates are expected to discuss issues of concern to student voters, and expects that funding for education may be a prime topic to be addressed at the event.

Candidates who have indicated they will attend the forum include

Republicans Liz Van Leeuwen and Norma Neilson, and Democrats Peter Tarzian and Barbara Ross. All are running for seats in the state Legislature in the November election.

Both LBCC students and staff are urged to attend, Loftus said. Additional information is available from Student Programs (CC-105) at ext. 831.

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CAMPUS NEWS

ASLBCC gets fax, needs student representatives

by Erik Bootsma
of The Commuter

Student programs will soon have a fax in their office by virtue of a unanimous vote during the second meeting of the Associated Students of LBCC Council of Representatives last week. Funds to purchase the fax will come from the capital outlay budget.

The fax is primarily for office use, but students will also have access for a fee. The proposed fee will be less than the security office charges.

Political issues were the primary

focus of this meeting of the council—dealing mainly with voter registration for the upcoming elections. Voter registration on campus will be ongoing until Oct. 18. Faculty have been asked to register students during class and the council will be registering students at the campus picnic on Oct. 5.

Information about ballot measures from Oregon Student Lobby, which represents student interests, was handed out and will be made available. Charlene Fella, advisor, said that further information from the League of

Women Voters will also be available very soon.

The Associated College Unions International's upcoming leadership conference for council members was also discussed. It will deal with subjects from "Roberts Rules of Order" to "Date Rape and Sexual Harassment."

It was agreed unanimously to name the brown bag sessions with the Board of Education "Bag it with the Board." The dates and times of the sessions are yet to be determined.

Three positions on the council are

currently empty; two seats in Science and Industry and one in Student Services/Extended Learning. The council urges students to apply if eligible.

Present council representatives were: Maggie McClellan, Student Services/Extended Learning; Sarah Griffiths and James Moody, Health Occupations/Business; Eric Tipsword, Representative at Large; Julianne Loftus and Angela Rivera, Liberal Arts/Human Performance; Michelle Wolf, Operations Coordinator; Randy Brown, Moderator; Fella, Advisor.

Incident prompts security alert for students who walk alone

by Audra J. Stephens
of The Commuter

The Security and Safety Services department at LBCC issued a "security alert" last week in response to an incident that occurred recently on campus.

A female student reported suspicious activity involving an unknown male on Tuesday, Sept. 22, in the Southeast and South Central parking lots, between 3-4 p.m.

The unidentified man approached the woman and began talking to her. Apparently the female student became suspicious of his intentions, according to Mick Cook, director of security. When the woman told the stranger that she was expecting someone to meet her presently, the man jumped into his car and sped off campus.

In the alert sent out over E-Mail and through the campus mail, Security and

Safety Services reminded students and staff to "be aware of their surroundings" when walking to vehicles, explained Cook. He hopes that people will immediately report anything suspicious to security personnel.

Although this was not a serious incident, Cook believes students should take the proper precautions when leaving campus, especially at night. "We're trying to heighten the awareness of people on campus," said Cook.

Students leaving after dark should try to walk out in pairs or groups, avoid darkened areas of the campus and be alert to what's happening in the surroundings.

Another option Cook encourages is to call the Security office at 926-6855 at night to have a security staff member accompany you out to your car. A security officer can also be reached after hours at 926-6855.

LB considers new student loan program

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to make."

Last year LBCC had 950 applications for the current guaranteed student loan, which is a high number for a community college—Chemeketa Community College in Salem, by comparison, had only 250 applications.

If LBCC does switch over to the new direct loan program, those students who already have existing loans can have their old loan converted into the new direct loan, according to the Education Department.

The payments on the direct loan program are based on income. Graduates with low incomes can choose between a 25-year time period of repayment; any remaining debt would be forgiven. The 30-year payback plan at an interest rate of about 6.5 percent allows for smaller monthly payments, which rise in steps over a fixed term, so students can repay more as they earn more.

According to Popoff, "The earliest LBCC would participate in the program would be the '96-97 school year."

campus briefs

Recruiters Here

A representative from the Air Force Recruiting Station will be in the Commons Lobby on Tuesday Oct. 11 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. to talk with students.

Library Access Code

The code for accessing the on-line catalog system for the LBCC Library should be: Hello(space)public(period)library. The sequence ran incorrectly in last week's story.

Enrollment stays the same, even with extended registration

by Audra J. Stephens
of The Commuter

Extended registration at LBCC failed to significantly raise the number of students enrolled for fall term, but it did allow students to register who otherwise might not have been able to attend LB.

The final tally of students who registered for fall classes reached 8,539 as of Friday, Sept. 30, the end of the second week of classes, according to Admissions Director Diane Watson.

Although much lower than two years ago, when enrollment reached close to 13,000 for fall term, the total this year is close to the 1993-94 figure of 8,341 students who had registered by the end of the first week of classes.

Assessing the decision to extend the time frame for students to add a full academic load, Watson said, "I don't think we picked up a lot of extra students that way," adding that registering later was somewhat difficult because "a lot of classes were simply too late for them to add."

Many students were unable to get the classes they wanted according to Mark Weiss, chair of the Counseling Department.

"It was something that we were concerned about, but we thought it was in the best interests of the students [to have extended registration] since we started school a week early," he said.

"I don't want to give any sense that it was easy," he continued. "It would take sometimes 40 minutes

to get a schedule, then they might come back and the instructor wouldn't give the okay." However, he added, "my impression is that instructors bent over backward to let the students in."

Even if students are able to register for the classes they want, starting class a week to two weeks late can put a student too far behind in coursework.

Weiss believes the big question is, "are the students going to be able to succeed entering that late?" The most problems occurred for students who needed to take university transfer courses. The professional and technical courses and lower level courses proved far easier to obtain, said Weiss.

"People were at least able to get into some classes," he added.

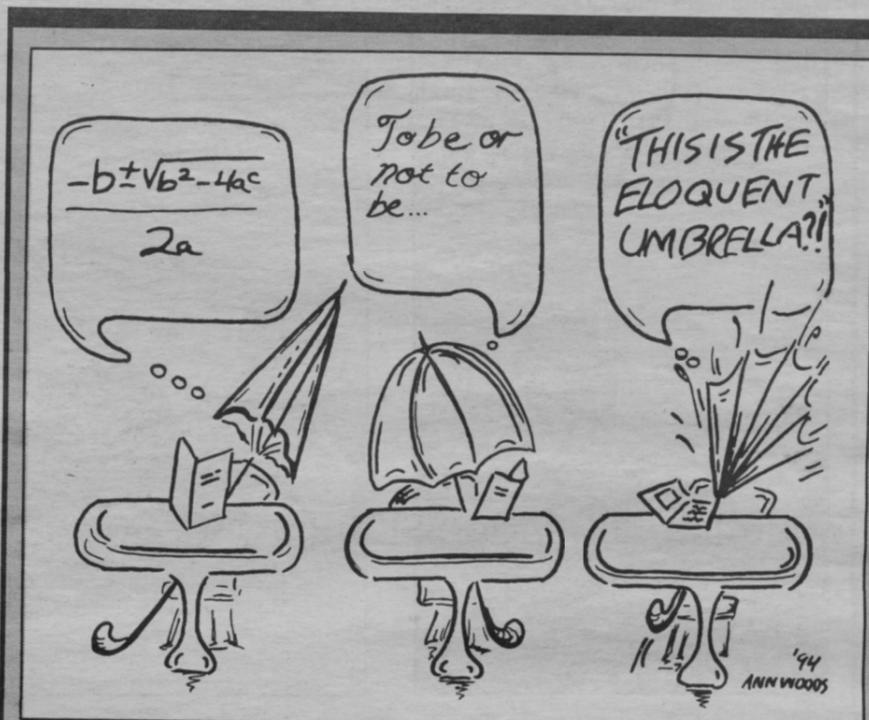


Illustration by Ann Woods

Literary journal still on sale; creative talent sought for this year's issue

by Craig Hatch
of The Commuter

About 100 copies remain of the 1993-94 creative arts journal, "The Eloquent Umbrella," which profiles the work of artists and authors from Linn and Benton counties.

"The Eloquent Umbrella" showcases the photography, poetry, prose and art created by LBCC students and residents of Linn and Benton counties. This year's journal, which includes 85 pages of works from almost 200 writers and artists, is the biggest issue ever produced.

"This area is full of good writers," said Linda Smith, who teaches the Literary Publications class that produces the journal. "All of the editorial decisions are made by the class, from accepting submissions to designing the magazine."

The class meets winter term on

Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Anyone can submit material for publication.

"We're looking for the best stuff from the two counties," says Smith. There are no criteria for acceptance, except that all submissions must be turned in to AHSS-108 by Jan. 15, 1995.

Currently, Jane Donovan is planning an LBCC theater production from various writings out of the publication. "In Our Own Words: A Performance Featuring Works by Local Writers" will hold tryouts Oct. 11-12.

Copies of "The Eloquent Umbrella" are available at the LBCC Bookstore, the Benton Center, Grass Roots Bookstore in Corvallis, and from Glenda Foster in AHSS-108 for \$2. All proceeds go towards this year's issue.

LOCAL & REGIONAL NEWS

Help is available for college students who face depression

by Marie Oliver
of The Commuter

We've all had "the blues," but for some people they never go away. When that happens, the person may be clinically depressed.

"More than 17 million Americans suffer from depression each year, and college students are among them," wrote Barbara Kopans, who represents an organization called National Depression Screening Day (NDS). "Unlike 'the blues,' depression is not a passing phase, and people suffering from it cannot be cheered up by good news or a change in circumstances."

The American Psychiatric Association (APA), one of the sponsors of NDS, has declared Oct. 2-8 "Mental Illness Awareness Week." As part of the activities the APA is sponsoring free screenings for clinical depression in the Portland area on Thursday, Oct. 6. Local residents are invited to attend.

But a person who is depressed also has many local options available to them.

"If a person has a family physician or a nurse practitioner, it's often good to start with them," said Maria Clark, program director for the regional mental health program at Good Samaritan Hospital in Corvallis. "A good majority of depression is treated by a primary care physician."

The advantage of going to a physician first is that the person can be given a physical exam. According to

Clark there are often other things—such as medications or physical problems—which can make a person seem depressed. If the physician or nurse practitioner feels it's appropriate, the person will be referred to a mental health specialist.

Another option is to look in the yellow pages to find a psychiatrist, psychologist or licensed social worker and make an appointment. Clark doesn't recommend this approach because it is so difficult to make a decision on which one to choose. She recommends asking for a referral from a physician, a friend or clergy.

Also, specialists often have a waiting list, and if a person is feeling suicidal they should get immediate attention, said Clark. Suicide is often the result of untreated depression.

"I would say that if someone is feeling depressed and suicidal, we're the place," said Cliff Hartman of Linn County Mental Health.

Benton County residents can call their local office. "Benton County will do an assessment," said Clark. "They may do treatment or do a referral." Lack of financial resources need not be a deterrent to seeking treatment, because the health department will offer alternatives to those in financial need.

Clark recommends two options for a person who is feeling suicidal. The first is to call the 24-hour Crisis Line. "They're really good counselors that make a good assessment of what people need," she said.

The second option is to go to the nearest hospital emergency room, which is equipped to "assess a person in crisis," said Clark.

"Clinical depression is one of the most common treatable mental illnesses, with over 10 million Americans suffering from it in any six-month period," writes Greg Phillips of the American Psychiatric Association. "Symptoms may include a noticeable change of appetite, change in sleeping patterns, loss of interest in previously enjoyable activities, loss of energy, inability to concentrate, and recurring thoughts of death or suicide that last for at least two weeks."

"If a student is tired all the time, he might go to the health service to be checked for mono," said Dr. Douglas G. Jacobs, the Harvard psychiatrist who founded the NDS program. "If a student finds herself short of breath or wheezing, she would see a clinician to be checked out for asthma or allergies. The same should be true of a student who has the symptoms of clinical depression."

Free screenings will be held at Clackamas Community College in Oregon City, 503-657-6958; Pacific Gateway Hospital in Portland, 800-234-4545; and Tualatin Valley Mental Health, 503-645-3581.

Linn County Mental Health offices can be reached at 967-3866 or 451-5936. Benton County Mental Health offices can be reached at 757-2299. The 24-hour Crisis Service Hotline is 757-2299.

Mental health professionals offer advice to help recognize signs of clinical depression

You should seek professional help if you or someone you know has had four or more of the following symptoms continually for more than two weeks:

- Noticeable change of appetite, with either significant weight loss not attributable to dieting, or weight gain
- Noticeable change in sleeping patterns, such as fitful sleep, inability to sleep, early morning awakening, or sleeping too much
- Loss of interest and pleasure in activities formerly enjoyed
- Loss of energy, fatigue
- Feelings of worthlessness
- Persistent feelings of hopelessness
- Inability to concentrate or think, indecisiveness
- Recurring thoughts of death or suicide, wishing to die, or attempting

suicide. (Note: People suffering this symptom should receive treatment immediately!)

- Melancholia (defined as overwhelming feelings of sadness and grief), accompanied by waking at least two hours earlier than normal in the morning, feeling more depressed in the morning, and moving significantly more slowly
- Disturbed thinking, a symptom developed by some severely depressed persons. For example, severely depressed people sometimes have beliefs not based in reality about physical disease, sinfulness, or poverty.
- Physical symptoms, such as headaches or stomach aches

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Science, Technology and Society Lectures



Dr. Carl Sagan and Ann Druyan

"Protecting the Global Environment"
October 20

"Composing Community"
with Dr. Mary Catherine Bateson on November 21

"The Embodied Mind"
with Dr. Francisco Varela on December 12

"Dinosaur Heresies"
with Dr. Robert Bakker on January 29

"Fuzzy Thinking"
with Dr. Bart Kosko on February 19

"Gravity Calls the Cosmic Tune"
with Dr. Philip Morrison on April 10

All lectures are at the Hult Center. Call 687-5000 for tickets.

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Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual Resource Fair

October 12 M.U. Ballroom, OSU 4-8pm

Information tables/Videos: 4-6pm Speakers/Entertainment: 6-8pm

Discover sources of health, social, and spiritual support and advocacy in Benton and Linn Counties

Sponsored by ASOSU and VAIN with these participating and supporting organizations:

OSU/LBCC

Affirmative Action 737-3556
ASOSU 737-2101
Associated Students of OSU
Cultural Centers 737-6341
LB Student Programs 967-8831
Multicultural Affairs 737-4381

Gay/Lesbian/Bi

After 8 752-8157
GLEN 715-2169
Gay Lesbian Employee Network at HP
LGBA 737-6363
Lesbian, Gay, & Bisexual Alliance
ONA (Our Night Out) 754-5154
PFLAG 752-6248
Parents, Family & Friends of Gays
Galanthea E-Mail Forum
Galanthea-Request @ gaia.ucs.orst.edu
Ladies Home Companion
PO Box 1828, Corvallis OR 97339

Civil Liberties

ACLU 758-3000
The American Civil Liberties Union
MVHRC 752-1532 & 924-9394
Mid Valley Human Coalition
Corvallis NOW 757-8430
National Organization for Women

Crisis Services

CARDV 752-0219
Center against rape and domestic violence. 24-hour hotline.
Crisis Service 757-2299
24-hour mental health hotline

AIDS Information, Support, and Referrals

Responsible Mothers 757-9878 and others
St. Mary's AIDS 757-1988
Support Group
Valley AIDS 1-800-588-AIDS
Information Network 752-6322
VAIN's hotline is staffed 24-hours.

Health

OSU Student Health 737-2721
Benton County 757-6835
Wellness program for HIV-positives

City of Corvallis

Ombudsperson 757-6772

Welcoming Religious Communities

Beit Am-Mid Willamette Valley
Jewish Community Center 753-0067
Congregational/UCC 757-8122
Corvallis Friends Meeting 752-3569
Faith Lutheran 926-7784
First Christian 753-2671
First United Methodist 752-2491
First Presbyterian 753-2228
Moment Ministries 753-3942
St. Anselm of Canterbury 752-3734
Unitarian-Universalist 752-5218
Westminster House 753-2242

You are not alone!

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

LBCC theatre department alive with song, poetry and stories

by Jim Eagan
of The Commuter

Takena Theater will soon be alive with "The Sound Of Music" as well as the sounds of "Oklahoma," "Carousel," and "The King And I."

George Lauris, head of the drama department, is directing "Some Enchanted Evening," a revue of Rogers and Hammerstein music. The production, said Lauris, is "sheer joy. It is a pure celebration of one of America's great musical-comedy writing teams."

The show contains many of the songs from Rogers and Hammerstein musicals that have since become

Broadway standards. Audience members will recognize such favorites as "Do-Re-Mi," "Oh, What a Beautiful Mornin'" and "Getting to Know You."

Cast members are: Kevin Kirby, Susan Peck, and Vicki Righettini of Corvallis; Gary and Karen Ruppert of Albany; and Al Villanueva of Eugene.

Performance dates are: Nov. 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19 at 8 p.m., and matinees on Nov. 13 and 20 at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$7 and can be reserved at the ticket office. Tickets can also be purchased at the door half an hour before curtain. Call extension 171 for details.

"Dollar Saver" season tickets can be purchased for \$20. Good for all Performing Arts Department

events, these tickets are 20 percent of individual ticket prices.

Also coming this fall is a production directed by Jane Donovan. "In Our Own Words: A Performance Featuring Works By Local Writers," will be performing Dec. 2, 3, 9, 10 at 8 p.m. in the Loft Theater, T-205. The show consists of performances of works from LBCC's own Eloquent Umbrella. Auditions will be held in the Loft Theater October 11-12 at 7:30 p.m.

Auditioners may perform three-minute selections of poetry, short stories, or essays from the Umbrella. Contact Donovan at extension 216 for more information.

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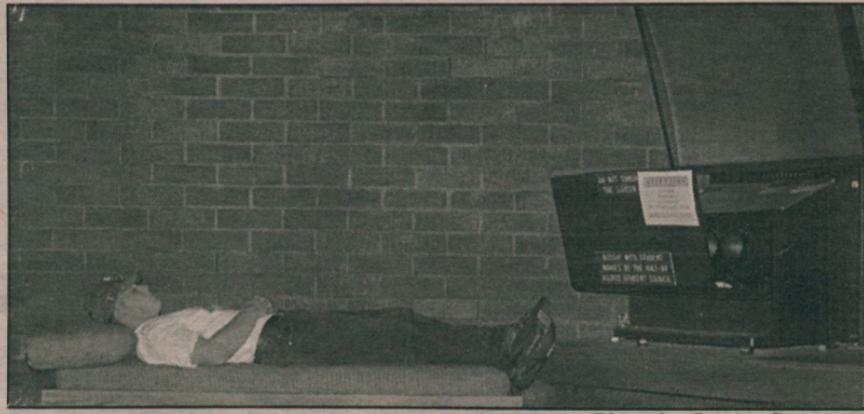


Photo by Jessica Sprenger

Curt Bell takes advantage of a quiet time in the Fireside Room, which will be the site of free movies from 4-6 p.m. Wednesdays this term.

Free movies offered on campus for students and their families

by Paul Turner
of The Commuter

A free movie will be offered every Wednesday from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Fireside Room. Sponsored by the LBCC Programming Board, the shows will continue through the school year if the turnout is good.

The Student Programming Board is "looking for better ways to serve the students," said ASLBCC representative Randy J. Brown, explaining that the movies are a way of bringing family members onto the campus during evening classes. At least one film a month will be a children's film.

Coming attractions are:

Oct. 5: "Four Weddings and a Funeral." A romantic comedy rivaling "Sleepless in Seattle," this time without the kid or the Empire State Building. Meet Hugh Grant, the male lead destined for future roles.

Oct. 12: "Major League II." Charlie Sheen is back as Rich "Wild Thing" Vaughn, the rebel baseball pitcher. This film makes "Major League I" look like a warm-up. "Wild Thing" Vaughn and his team "Trojgs" their

way from one fiendish antic to another.

Oct. 19: "The Fugitive." Harrison Ford, accused of murdering his wife, runs from the law, Tommy Lee Jones. The action is brisk and barely believable, but the action compensates well. Based loosely on the old TV series with David Jensen.

Oct. 26: "101 Dalmatians." See it. Disney animation at its classic best. Smart dogs, stupid crooks. What else could a kid ask for? Yet easily enjoyable by adults. If you liked Disney's latest jaunts in animation, check out how they did it before computers and blue-screens.

Tami S. Paul Bryant and Tracy Macauley of Student Programs choose the movies and use funds from the Student Programs Activities budget to pay for rentals. Suggestions are welcomed for films, but they said the movies must have a broad appeal. Free refreshments will be served.

Coming attractions are posted in the Fireside Room and will be advertised in The Commuter.

Exhibiting photographers to give gallery talk at Friday closing

Reception honors two artists now exhibiting at LB Art Gallery

by Leigh McCarthy
of The Commuter

The LBCC art gallery in the lobby of the AHSS building will be the site of the closing reception, Friday Oct. 7, 5:30-7:30 p.m., for Eugene photographers Edward Vlieg and Nancy Jones.

Edward Vlieg, a self-taught photographer, has on exhibit silver-bromide black-and-white prints of the Oregon coast, mountain scenes and other locations in the U.S. and England.

Nancy Jones is a graduate of photography from the University of Iowa with independent studies all over the

world. Jones now has a studio in Eugene. Her exhibition features hand-painted silver prints of picturesque outdoor environments.

Part-time LBCC gallery coordinator and artist Patty Robidart-Russell will host the Friday night reception, which is free and open to the public. The artists will present a gallery talk and snacks and drinks will be served. Anyone can view the gallery exhibits, Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

In November Robidart-Russell will have her own art work at the Corvallis Art Center and Primerica in Albany.

The next exhibit at LBCC art gallery will be silkscreen work by Don and Donna Jepson-Minyard and Jim Howland Oct. 10-28.

Albany Theater honors top performers

by Jim Eagan
of the Commuter

The stars were shining brightly last Saturday night as Albany Civic Theater ended its record-breaking 43rd season with its annual Awards Night.

Actors, directors, and stage crew members were presented with plaques and silver cups donated by Sid Stevens' Jewelers.

Winners for performances in minor roles were: Ben Bonnlander for "Shadowlands;" Deanna Polensky for "Frankenstein;" LeRoy Ferguson for "Biloxi Blues;" and Stephanie Long for "The Cemetery Club."

Winners for supporting roles were:

Diane Cooper, "Red Scare on Sunset;" Wayne Wagner, "The Sound of Music;" Eliza Roaring Springs, "The Mousetrap;" and Don Seymour, "Shadowlands."

Best performances in leading roles went to: Gary Tharp, "Shadowlands;" Tonyarotti McQuistan, "A Few Good Men;" Robert J. Olin, "Biloxi Blues;" and Amy Seaton, "The Sound of Music."

A special Service Award was presented to long-time ACT supporter Barbara Johnson. The award for Favorite Play went to "The Sound of Music," and the Critics' Choice Award was given to "A Few Good Men."

OSU opens International Film Festival

The OSU English Department and the Center for the Humanities presents its 17th annual International Film Festival.

The festival includes many critically acclaimed foreign and domestic films from Poland, Russia, France, Canada,

and the United States. The festival started Sept. 30 and continues every Friday and Saturday night through Dec. 3.

For more information on show times and ticket prices, contact the OSU Center for the Humanities at 737-2450.

arts briefs

Dance Time at OddFellows

The Heartland Big Band will perform October 8, Nov. 12, and Dec. 10 from 8-11 p.m. at Oddfellows Hall in Corvallis. Admission is \$4 single and \$7 per couple. For more information call 928-6192 or 753-2616 evenings.

Annual Valley Juried Exhibit at CAC

The Corvallis Arts Center celebrates its 24th annual Willamette Valley Juried Exhibition with a gallery talk on Oct. 5 at 4:30 p.m. by Lloyd Herman, a juror of the exhibit. Following the talk will be a reception for the artists and wine tasting, coordinated by Vistas and Vineyards, and featuring local valley wines. The awards presentation will begin at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend. For more information call the Arts Center at 754-1551.

Local poets hold reading at coffeehouse

Local writers John Addiego and Susan Spady will read their poetry together at M's Tea and Coffee House on Saturday, Oct. 8 at 8 p.m. Sponsored by the Willamette Literary Guild, this reading is the first in a monthly series featuring local writers. All readings are free and open to the public. For more information call Steve Sher at 752-5949 or M's at 753-8537.

State poetry group gathers in Clackamas

The Oregon State Poetry Association presents Poetry Day 1994 at Gregory Forum, Clackamas Community College, on Oct. 15. The event will include workshops, speakers, a luncheon, awards for poetry, and an open mike reading. For more information, contact Linda Smith at 753-3335.

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SPORTS

Volleyball team off to strong start with 10-7 record

by Jennifer McCloskey
of The Commuter

This year's LBCC volleyball season is already under way with a 10-7 record and there is more to come.

The season began with a seventh place finish at the LBCC tournament on Sept. 2-3. Since then the Roadrunners have played 11 matches, including three league matches in which their record is 1-2.

The next home game is tonight in the LBCC Activities Center. From there the team goes to Roseburg Friday and Saturday for the annual

Umpqua Crossover Tournament.

This year's team consists of three coaches and 11 players, led by head coach Jayme Frazier, who is returning for her second season.

Alice Loiselle-Conditt is also returning for her second season at LBCC as assistant coach; her colleague, Seth Elliot, is joining the team as assistant coach for his first season. Elliot is a '93 graduate of West Albany High School and was a member of the 1992 Junior Olympic No Dinx team. He also plays USVBA competitively.

The returning members of the team include

Michele Burnett, middle block/outside hitter; Amy Gerig, outside hitter; Jodi Hoskins, defensive specialist (DS); Darci Powell, middle block-outside hitter; and Shanna Rosa, also a defensive specialist.

The newcomers to the roster include Samantha Bond, setter; Alisha Irish, an outside hitter; Lynnette Murdock, an outside hitter; Carrie Surmon, a middle block; Melissa Troyer, setter/DS; and Shelly West, a middle block.

Tonight's home match against South Western Oregon Community College begins at 6 p.m. Students are admitted free with student body card.

More women athletes sought for short-handed basketball team

by Jessica Sprenger
by the Commuter

The women's basketball team has already started conditioning, but first year coach Bill Wold is looking for more players to fill out his roster.

"We're looking for good athletes that have good attitude," coach Wold said.

Wold, hired in May, was coach at Crescent Valley High School in Corvallis for 19 years. He is starting the season with only two lettermen, Darci Powell and Lynette Murdock, from last year's team that went 4-10 in league and 9-15 overall under head coach Brian Wake.

Powell was second leading scorer on last year's team and recieved area honorable mention honors, while Murdock

was one of the first players off the bench.

"We're looking for good athletes that have good attitude."

-Bill Wold

The team started practice earlier this term with seven new players. Since displaying signs around campus looking for more talent, Wold has added four more to the team.

Anyone interested in playing, can join practice from 6-8 p.m. Monday through Friday in the gym. The season starts Nov. 28.

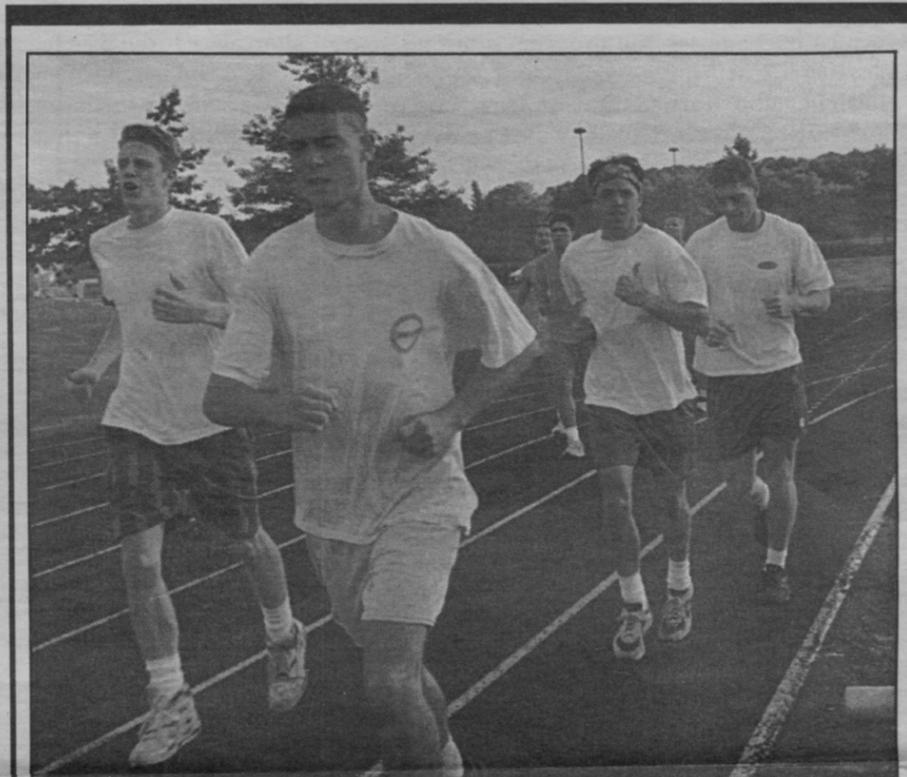


Photo by Amy Radie

Getting in shape

Members of the 1994-95 men's basketball team participate in conditioning workouts on the LBCC track. Coach Randy Falk is blending his returning players with a new crop of recruits during the fall pre-season practices. The team's first game is in late November.

Spikers up-end Lane for first league win

The Roadrunner volleyball team captured its first league victory over the weekend when it defeated Lane Community College in Eugene 15-8, 13-15, 15-6, 13-15,

Leading the team in kills was Shelly West with 17, followed by Michele Burnett, who had 11 kills.

On Friday, LBCC lost to Chemeketa in three sets.

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The victim-witness Assistance Program of the Linn Co. District Attorney's Office is offering intern, practicum, and on the job training positions to college students. This program is dedicated to improving the quality of service for crime victims in the community by providing on-going assistance, information and support to people who have been made victims of crime. If interested, please contact: Victim-Witness Assistance Program, Linn County District Attorney's Office, P.O. Box 100, Albany OR 97321 or call 967-3805.

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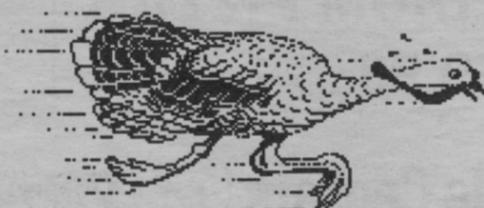
Intramural/Recreational Sports

Coming Fall Events

• 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament
Saturday, October 15
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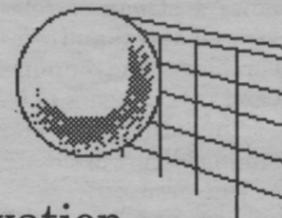


• Annual LBCC Turkey Trot
Thursday, November 17
12 to 12:50pm at the track.



• Flag Football
Tuesday, October 18
3 to 5pm at the track.

• Sand Volleyball Clinic and Mini Tournament
Wednesday, October 19
4 to 6pm at the courts.



• Yoga Relaxation
Tuesday, October 18
12-12:50pm in Boardrooms A&B.

Use the LBCC weight room Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 4-6pm! For more information and to sign up contact Student Programs in CC-213.

NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Economic aid falls short for Northwest timber towns

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—More than one-fourth of the \$250 million in economic aid President Clinton promised to Northwest timber towns last year did not make it to the communities, critics say.

"When it comes to coming up with the money, they haven't delivered," said Sen. Mark Hatfield, R-Ore.

About \$66 million set aside for business and community loans, and nearly \$4 million designated for job retraining for unemployed timber workers was lost Friday because it had not been spent by the end of the federal fiscal year.

The same programs that failed to deliver the \$70 million in aid to timber towns are a major portion of the president's estimated \$267 million economic assistance package for the program's second year, which started Saturday.

Hatfield, who warned that at least one of the administration's loan programs would not work, said the administration has shown little concern.

"They haven't even asked," said Hatfield, the ranking Republican on the Senate Appropriations

Committee. He accused the administration of offering money that would not be spent before the fiscal year deadline.

The man Clinton appointed to oversee his Northwest forest plan says the administration may have to fine tune the loan program to make up for problems created during previous administrations.

"It's tough to pick up after the train wreck has occurred, but that's what we inherited," said Tom Tuchmann, who oversees the federal Northwest economic initiative from an office in Portland.

In the two years before Clinton took office in January 1993, 20,000 Northwest timber workers lost their jobs to automation, exports and a timber shortage caused by a federal court ban on logging to protect the northern spotted owl.

He said the initiative has helped feuding federal agencies work together to help restore the Northwest economy.

"We've made some major changes in the way the government does business, and I think we need to be

given some credit for that," said Bob Rheiner, in charge of coordinating the aid for the Bureau of Land Management, one of a dozen federal agencies working on the initiative.

Clinton announced in July 1993 that the administration would send \$270 million in aid to the Northwest as part of a five-year, \$1.2 billion package.

The administration eventually scaled back the promise to about \$248 million, and it actually spent about \$177 million, according to figures provided by a variety of federal agencies.

"All of the money hasn't been spent. That's fair. But my answer to that is, so what? A major part of the money has been spent," Rheiner said.

But critics are demanding a better performance by the administration this year.

"When you live in a town that's lost its major employer, there's not the wherewithal to repay these loans," said Rep. Peter DeFazio, D-Ore., whose district depends mostly on timber. "Loans are not going to help people that are hurting this bad."

Former student wants compensation for effects of LSD testing

WOODBURY, Minn. (AP)—A woman who took LSD for a U.S. Air Force-funded experiment says the federal government should compensate her for the health problems she believes the drug caused.

Mary Ray of Woodbury was a 21-year-old psychology student at the University of Minnesota in 1964 when she joined the staff of Amedeo Marrazzi, a doctor and researcher who was conducting LSD experiments with an Air Force grant.

The subjects were given LSD — lysergic acid diethylamide—which alters its user's neurochemistry and af-

fects the senses.

Ray gave psychological tests to the subjects, many of whom, she said, underwent profound emotional and personality changes after receiving LSD injections. Nevertheless, she volunteered to take the drug herself on Jan. 15, 1966 for \$30.

"Mainly, I wanted to understand psychosis and empathize with patients," she said Friday. "I thought taking the drug would lead me to a better understanding of mental illness."

Now, Ray is haunted by that decision.

In the nearly 29 years since the ex-

periment, Ray said she has suffered from health problems that include depression and difficulty concentrating. She said she has yearly flashbacks that "make pieces of my visual field wiggle or disappear."

In testimony she gave in 1975 before a congressional subcommittee that was investigating military and CIA drug testing, Ray said she experienced terrifying hallucinations of iridescent rats and a fanged monster during the experiment. She told the panel she was so frightened that she tried to jump out of a third-floor window.

But the issue faded from public at-

tention until last Wednesday, when General Accounting Office investigators testified before Congress about an array of government-sponsored Cold War-era experiments involving human subjects.

The investigators called for a stepped-up effort to find experiments' participants, many of whom may have health problems and may be eligible for government compensation.

Ray said she thinks such an effort is long overdue.

"Maybe the victims will finally get something out of this," she said. "Maybe this is finally it."

Vets say chubby owners feed their pets into obesity

SALEM, Ore. (AP)—If your dog or cat is looking a little fat, chances are you could stand to shed a few pounds yourself.

Oregon veterinarians say they are treating more and more pets for obesity, and the problem often starts with the owner.

"The need for improved diet and exercise is often relevant to both," said Dr. Gordon Cunningham, a Salem veterinarian. "We have to approach the issue with tact and respect."

"This is probably one of the hottest topics right now in veterinary nutrition and research."

Dr. Robert Van Saun

Research shows a strong correlation between overweight pets and owners with weight problems, and the number of fat dogs and cats appears to be increasing, according to Dr. Robert Van Saun, a veterinary medicine professor at Oregon State University.

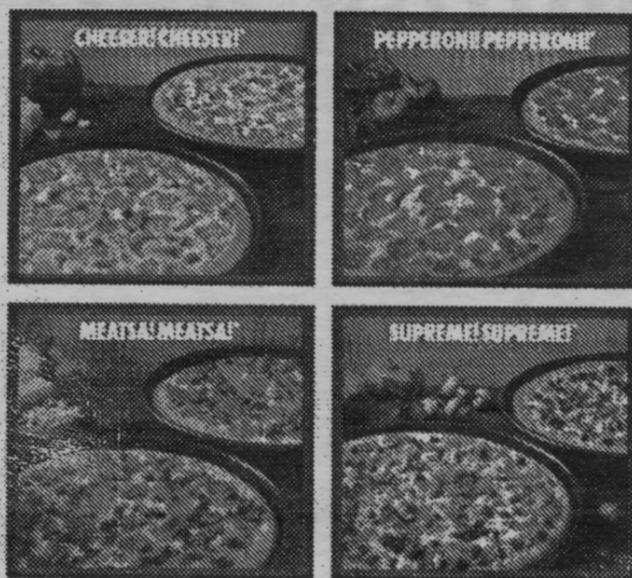
"This is probably one of the hottest topics right now in veterinary nutrition and research," Van Saun said. "We're often dealing with both an obese pet and an overweight owner."

Animal health is suffering as a result, he said, including liver and kidney problems, diabetes and heart failure.

He noted that a recent survey of 1,000 dog owners in Great Britain found that 44 percent of the dogs belonging to overweight people also were fat.

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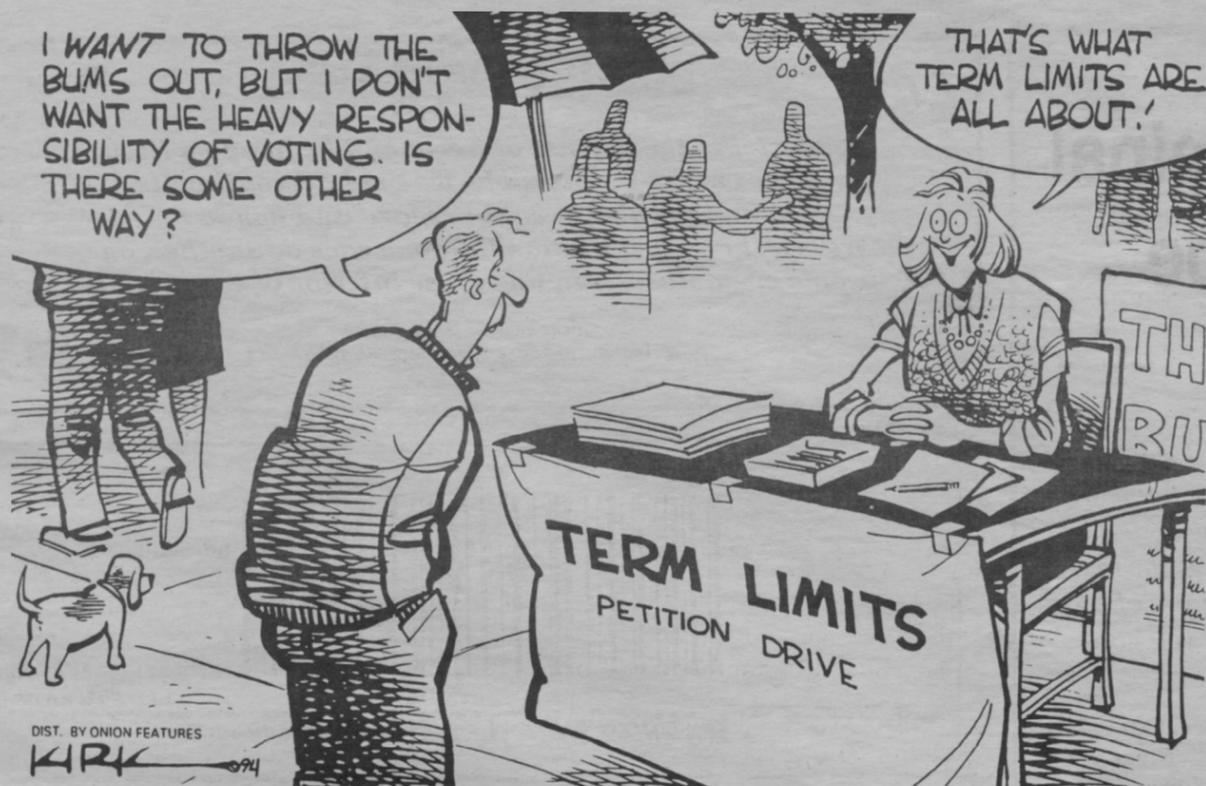
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OPINION



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Senator Kennedy blows his cover

From the sound of it, you would think Ted Kennedy was an aging beauty queen, not a senior senator.

A talk show host compares the senator's nose to that of W.C. Fields.

A reporter can't get through a story, let alone a lede, without referring to the man's girth and age. At a lunch table in downtown Boston, two young women talk about his appearance as if he were a caricature.

At a rally, a supporter turns and says with dismay, "He looks like a homeless man in a thousand dollar suit."

And at a fund-raiser, the senator himself makes an embarrassing attempt at self-deprecating humor, "I may not be the youngest candidate and I may not be the thinnest candidate, but I'm the fighting candidate."

If Ted Kennedy were a woman, the obsessive commentary on the theme of one man's "lost looks" would be angrily dismissed as sexist. The ombudsman's phone would ring with outrage. But in Massachusetts these days, people are justifying this talk as if they were talking about the portrait of Dorian Gray not Edward Moore Kennedy.

As if the text for the "character issue" were written on a man's face. As if they were reading a thousand miles of bad road on his 62-year-old face.

These are not easy days for Ted Kennedy. He's in what every commentator describes as a fight for his life, as if Mitt Romney were a melanoma and not an unknown newcomer running against him.

Kennedy is neck and neck with this 47-year-old, a man unencumbered by a record, blessed with a chiseled profile and a handsome family more Kennedyesque than Kennedy's own.

So far, Romney, a Republican, a Mormon, a businessman, a son of Michigan's George Romney, has offered little more than flash card positions in ads that flip words like welfare and crime before the public's distracted eye.

But he is Not-Kennedy, running on a platform of change in year when the voters are deeply into do-it-yourself term limits.

A longtime Kennedy supporter glumly describes this race in the simplest, biblical terms, "There came a generation that knew not Joseph." Nor Jack. Nor Bobby. A third of the voters weren't born when Teddy was elected to the Senate in 1962 as the

youngest, prettiest Kennedy.

Today they know JFK Jr. as a hunk. They know JFK Sr. as a philanderer as well as president. They associate Teddy, the youngest of the brothers who never grew old, with carousing as much as with health care, Chappaquiddick as much as civil liberties. Kennedy not only carries baggage from the past, he carries shrapnel, some of it from self-inflicted wounds.

These days on the campaign trail, he travels attached like Velcro to his second wife Vicki. She's the leading figure in the moral narrative that would portray him as "saved by the love of a good woman."

But the same man who can be warm and witty and well-informed is running a lackluster campaign—at times testy, defensive, distracted.

The sticky, uncomfortable fact of this campaign is that it's not really between Kennedy and Romney so much as it is between Kennedy and Kennedy. It's between what the senator has done in public life and in private life. Buried in the polling data is the ambivalence of many people who share his policies and doubt his character, find him effective at work and flawed at play.

Many are women who appreciate his leadership in the Senate—on women's rights, abortion, family leave—but disapprove the life he led outside it.

I have aired my own criticisms of Kennedy over the years. But I am struck by how the character pendulum has swung until it may be poised to strike a lethal blow against a man who has been a dependable champion of social justice.

When JFK was president, we knew too little about a public person's private life. Now private acts can dwarf public acts, the way image can dwarf policy. Character has become a household word.

This campaign is by no means over. Romney is still an unknown who appears most fit for the job if you define fitness in its aerobic sense. Ties to Kennedy are real and Massachusetts may recoil from delivering the head of this man to the haters who've been clamoring for it all these years.

But there is a whiff of defeat in the fall air. The challenger talks about Kennedy as if he were history. The people are gossiping about how many years this last brother has under his belt. In Massachusetts, the Senate race looks more and more like a beauty contest.

commentary

Mabon is back

by Marla J. Lawrence
of The Commuter

As my twelfth-grade civics teacher used to say, the amount of attention people call to themselves tends to vary inversely with the merit of their arguments. But while his own bombastic monologues were viewed with a healthy dose of skepticism by his students, Mr. Skahan had a point—and never have I seen a better example of it than Lon Mabon and his Oregon Citizens' Alliance.

No matter how we personally feel about homosexuality, we all lose if the measure passes. Not only will it create second-class citizens of one group of people, it will set a dangerous precedent by demonstrating that it's perfectly okay to strip law-abiding citizens of their civil protections if they don't conform to a certain narrow set of moral standards.

What is truly frightening to contemplate, however, is what Mabon and his minions will do if the measure passes and he discovers that all of the social problems he holds gays responsible for haven't gone away—after all, our children will still be vulnerable to perverts and similar filth, the schools still won't teach religion, and the "correct" morals still won't have been restored to our fair state. Does anyone really believe he's going to admit he was wrong and return to obscurity, cut off from the TV cameras and the newspapers which feed his ego?

Not a chance. So the next logical step, of course, will be to select a new target: some other group the public loves to hate. The question is, who will it be? Single mothers? Good choice, since they're already a favorite political football. Public schools? Not bad, considering that all they need is a little religion to whip 'em into shape. Or how about low-income families, since they supposedly "choose" their lifestyle and the social opprobrium that goes along with it?

Does any of this sound familiar?

You see, the Lon Mabons of the world never pick worthy opponents. Their attacks are directed at the politically vulnerable, the socially marginalized, the little-understood. Their tactics, designed to make themselves sound like rational, thinking people while convincing the general public that it must side with them for the sake of all concerned. Even their terminology is carefully crafted to divide people in a way that makes them want to be on the winning side, even if they disagree with its philosophy. (Did you ever hear of someone calling himself "anti-family?" Or "pro-death?")

The trouble with this is that it creates an "us vs. them" mentality to which even fair-minded people are susceptible in uncertain times, which in turn breeds fear and ignorance. And if you see nothing wrong with allowing our worst instincts to become law, ask a Holocaust victim what he or she thinks of it.

Contrary to the OCA's opinion, our society is not off balance merely because a few people happen to be attracted to their own gender. There are many contributing factors, but I suspect the real reason for our collective moral disintegration is that too many people are attracted to the idea of controlling other people—and frankly, that's a whole lot scarier than any real or imagined threat from the gay community.

It's time to send Lon Mabon and his minions a message they can't possibly misinterpret. Regardless of how you feel about gays today, please remember that tomorrow it could be your civil rights on the OCA's hit list. So do the right thing and vote NO on Measure 13 on Nov. 8. As another wise person observed recently—this time it was my eight-year-old daughter—they need to quit blaming people they don't know anything about for things that aren't their fault.

Mr. Skahan couldn't have said it better himself.

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THE LAST WORD

you said it

Do you think criminal trials should be televised?



No. I'm from the old school. I don't think cameras have any place in the judicial system. I think especially with the O.J. Simpson deal it's more of a show. I don't think you can get a fair trial.

Mark Ayers, Corvallis
First year
Supervisory Management

I can say that sometimes they are interesting, but not that interesting. I've watched very little of that ball player's trial.

Lynda Anderson, Albany
LBCC Staff Custodian



No! They shouldn't be televised so that the jurists don't get any more information. People talk and their opinion could be swayed. I watched some, but a very long time ago.

Deborah Lemmon, Albany
JOBS Program



That's a very controversial question. . . . there are many qualifying factors. Law is a function of society and the public has the right to know. Law is a fabric of our society and should be public information. As a pre-law student I have watched trials on television and I have sat in and listened to the trials.

Ron Marshburn, Lebanon
Oregon Transfer Degree candidate



It depends on the case. I've seen some televised cases and found them boring—they aren't exciting as such programs as Law and Order. . . . Some trials, like the Simpson trial, are too highly publicized and shouldn't be televised. The televised trials put ideas into the public's heads and they hang the person before the verdict.

Jim Eagan, Albany
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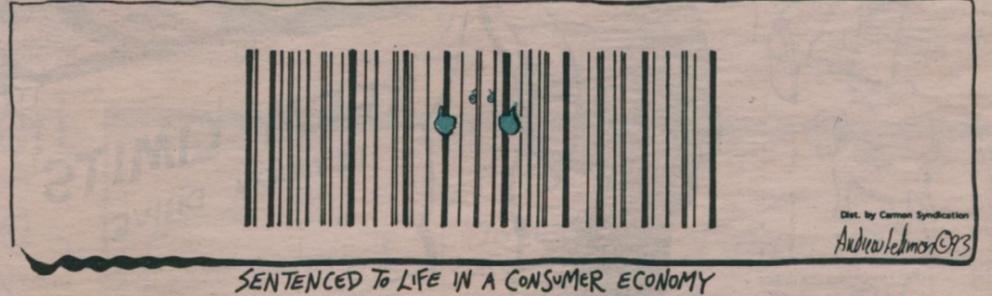
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President Dwight D. Eisenhower
Inaugural address, January 20, 1953

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Crossword 101

" Name Dropper "

By Gerry Frey

ACROSS

- 1 Chore
- 5 Fill in workers
- 10 Ill mannered child
- 14 Medicinal plant
- 15 George or T.S.
- 16 Repurchase agreement: Abbr.
- 17 Boxer Spinks
- 18 Church official
- 19 Dollar bills
- 20 Peggy & John
- 22 Ted & Tina
- 24 Hesitating sounds
- 25 Boundry
- 26 Vocation
- 29 Fleetwood _____
- 30 Prevent
- 34 Depend
- 35 Mr. Chaney
- 36 Crave
- 37 Black bird
- 38 Columnist Ann & family
- 40 Ms. Fabray to friends
- 41 Repressed
- 43 CIA predecessor
- 44 Play players
- 45 Perspire
- 46 Explosive
- 47 Boxes
- 48 Abominable snowmen
- 50 Cardiac arrest first aid
- 51 Actor Leslie
- 54 Sam or Whitney
- 58 Norway's capital
- 59 Rose oil
- 61 Great Lakes state
- 62 Bambl, e.g.
- 63 Teacher's note: 2 wds.
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- 10 Emily & Charlotte
- 11 Descartes or Russo
- 12 Imitator
- 13 Throw
- 21 Pay dirt
- 23 Takes the bus
- 25 Actor Michael & family
- 26 Snares
- 27 Rejuvenate
- 28 Skirt type
- 29 Blues day: Abbr.
- 31 Ms. Louise & Ms. Turner
- 32 Obliterate
- 33 Leases
- 35 Once around the track
- 36 Hosp. needs
- 38 Stringed instruments
- 39 Approx.
- 42 Zachary & Elizabeth
- 44 Johnny & Kit
- 46 Dyer
- 47 Computer need: Abbr.
- 49 Taunt
- 50 Apple residues
- 51 Dozes
- 52 Understanding words
- 53 Grammar sch.
- 54 Harness part
- 55 "Of _____ I sing"
- 56 French river
- 57 Negative words
- 60 Perfect score

Quotable Quote

" A good name, like good will, is gotten by many actions and lost by one. "

Lord Jeffery