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## Student activities spreads \$97,000 across variety of campus programs

Library, Peace Club, intramurals and disabled access beneficiaries of windfall

By S. E. Strahan  
Of The Commuter

The Student Activities and Programs (SAP) Committee has decided to spend its \$97,000 windfall on the library, a student I.D. system, new sand volleyball courts, a handicap access door and other projects.

The committee put forth a recommendation that was accepted by the presidents council during its weekly meeting Tuesday, May 5. The recommendation includes six areas to place the funds:

- Towards the library automation which has a total cost of \$102,000. The budget will provide it with \$70,000 of their total and ask that they raise \$32,000 on their own through fund-raisers during the next three years. If they fail to raise the money then the moneys would return to the SAP account to distributed at a later date. The SAP Committee was hoping to do a "We wanted to do a big project." said Valarie Dodge, Operations Chair and SAP Committee member.

- \$10,000 of the \$19,700 needed for a new, bar-coded ID system, will be given. The rest would be up

to separate departments that are interested in it to make up the slack. The benefits of this project would be to hasten admissions process. The computer lab and learning center could use them to keep track of students for funding and checking out material as well as taking tests. The library could use them once they become automated and students could possibly use them for picture ID, helpful when claiming student discounts.

- \$12,000 will go to finishing the sand volleyball courts between the activities center and the tennis courts. Student Programs hopes to have them open by summer for use.

- \$5,000 will be given to the ASLBCC and the Entry Center to print up a Student Handbook. The handbook will be available to every new students and contain the catalogs information along with campus attractions and programs that interest a wide range of students.

- \$3,000 of the \$10,000 asked for was given to the Peace Club when they represent LBCC at the 1992 International Peace Education Workshop in Poland. and the last

- \$2,000 will go towards a door opener for the disabled that will be installed on the second story of the LRC.

## Students plan march on Salem to stage education's 'last rites'

By Joyce Gariepy  
For The Commuter

The state association of community college student body presidents (CCOSAC) is organizing a student march at the state Capitol in Salem Saturday to lobby against the proposed 20 percent reduction in funding due to Measure 5.

LBCC Moderator Holly Thornhill said the march will be organized as a "funeral for education," with a procession and eulogies given on what the speakers believe killed education.

According to Thornhill, Sidra Metzger, legislative director at Chemeketa Community College, wants at least 500 students from different colleges to attend.

Given that number Thornhill believes she will need about 35-40 students from LBCC to attend. She said they would either go by carpool, van or bus.

LBCC students interested in going to this event can contact Thornhill through the Student Programs Office CC-213.



Photos by Christof Walsdorf

## Brown Stumps Corvallis

Presidential candidate Jerry Brown attracted 1500 people to the MU quad on the OSU campus last Thursday. The dark horse Democratic candidate delivered what has now become a familiar tirade against big business and politics. "Politics is supposed to be about the issues that affect your life. Unfortunately, politics is now about big money, negative ads and zero change as to the election. I don't want you to think I'm cynical about the process. Just look at your own Senate campaign and tell me what's going on. What's happening is that campaigns cost more and the people who have the money to support these campaigns represent only a fraction of the American people. Usually the top one percent. Last week, Bush had a \$9 million fund raising party, you got a picture with Bush for \$92,000. You can rent a congressman for \$15,000. You get a senator or cabinet member for \$30,000. Now I know they used to call politics the second oldest profession, but I didn't believe they would take it to such a gross level, where politicians are prostitutes. The public trust is being prostituted in politics every time we turn around."



## Oregon Primary offers legitimate candidates?

With the Oregon Primary Election being held on Tuesday, candidates for all positions (local, state and national) are homing in on the voting public of the state in order to gain their vote.

**editorial**

The best race shaping up in the Oregon primary election is the Democratic race for Oregon State Senator between Les AuCoin and Harry Lonsdale. It's tough to wait for the next "slam" ad to come out from one of these two.

Lonsdale's hoping that the voting public will be mad about AuCoin's check bouncing. AuCoin is hoping that the public will remember that Lonsdale said the American worker is overpaid.

With these two throwing mud at each other and dodging the issues, just like most of the candidates throughout this nation, it's no wonder nearly half the American public doesn't even vote.

Americans need to vote people into office that are going to get something done. It shouldn't matter if a candidate has bounced checks as high as the Sears Tower or if they vote themselves pay raises that even Major League Baseball players are upset with. All that should matter is those who are elected should help our country out of this recession.

Many people vote for a candidate because of their stand on one issue. Maybe people need to judge a candidate on what they will do with the economy or crime or race relations in the U. S.

Americans better hope this year's Presidential race doesn't turn into the 1988 "Mud-Bog" between Bush and Dukakis. If that happens, we should take the advice of Richard Pryor in Brewster's Millions and vote for "NONE OF THE ABOVE."

Some people, including those who are registered, refrain from voting because they do not understand what the candidates stand for or what the ballot measures are. It is actually good that these uninformed people don't vote. Only bad things can happen if millions of uninformed Americans vote when they don't understand what they are doing.

Got problems and want to make changes with the system? Then vote.

Want to have a say in what goes on in this state and nation?

VOTE.

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## Fire is going out of Los Angeles riot story

Now we're going to see if the Weekend Yawn Rule applies to the Los Angeles riot story.

The Weekend Yawn Rule was something an old-time news editor once passed on to me. He explained it this way:

"After the first weekend following a big news event, interest in the news event diminishes by about 80 percent."

"This is the weekend when the newspapers all have their long thumb-suckers." (Thumb-suckers are stories that seek to analyze and explain the deep significance of big news events, if the reader doesn't doze off by the last paragraph.)

"And on the weekend, you get the deep thinkers on TV chewing the last pieces of meat off the bone."

"So by the time the weekend is over and people are going back to work, they've had enough. They figure they know more than they want to know, and they're ready to move on to something else."

However, he said, there used to be exceptions to the Weekend Yawn Rule.

"A really sensational murder used to be able to hang on past the first weekend, especially if there was a mystery and suspects and angles that could keep it going. Or a juicy scandal that became juicier and juicier."

"But that was before TV became so big. Now, with TV pouring it on, even a big murder or a scandal is sucked dry by the end of the first weekend. Everything today is faster, including the life span of a story."

So we'll see. My guess is that the Weekend Yawn Rule will apply to the L.A. riot story.

It's as if there was a script that's been played out. First, we had the verdict that shocked a nation. Within hours, we had the riots beginning. By the next day, there were the fires, the deaths, the looting.

Next came the troops moving in and order being restored.

After that, the politicians, community leaders, talk-show hosts, pundits and anybody else with access to a camera or a keyboard expressed shock, dismay, pain, horror, remorse, compassion and called for a time for healing and coming together.

Also, the why-did-it-happen phase, which gave several thousand sociology professors and psychiatrists a chance to tell us how financial deprivation, social psychiatrists a chance to tell us how financial deprivation, social isolation and racial discrimina-

tion can make people frustrated, irritated and really p—d off. (This puts to rest theories that being broke makes one giddily happy.)

And finally, the President of these United States himself, flying to the scene to tippy-toe through the rubble on personal inspection. This shows us that he cares, that he understands and shares all that pain. This also causes big traffic jams.

When you think about it, that's an awful lot to cram into, what, about 10 days?

So what's left?

We're probably at the final phase, which the weekend should take care of: What have we learned and what will be done?

Well, we've learned that there is a lot of discontent in the inner cities, but we already knew that. And we learned that once the rioting and looting begins, a lot of really rotten people have a whoopee time.

Which leaves us with the question of what will be done.

And, unfortunately, the answer is probably not a heck of a lot. At least not anything that you'll be able to see on your TV or read on the front pages in the near future.

There won't be any miraculous rebuilding of the gutted businesses and homes. The Army Corps of Engineers isn't going to be rushed in to put up a new supermarket or shoe store and stock the shelves.

It's now in the hands of insurance companies, banks, accountants and government bureaucrats. And their computer spreadsheets don't have a field called "healing and coming together."

To see what that part of L.A. faces, take a look at Chicago's West Side, which was burned out in 1968. After 24 years, much of it still looks like Berlin in 1946.

Oh, there will be congressmen huffing and puffing and wagging their fingers and competing for the title of Most Compassionate Blowhard. And there might even be some programs that will have long-range benefits, if we all live long enough to see them.

There will be numerous reports revealing which public official did or didn't do his job.

And we'll have all those cases dragging through the courts: Rodney King's civil suit, which should make him as wealthy as a baseball player; the federal rap against the cops; and the countless trials of the more serious rioters, may some of them rot in Folsom Prison.

But the really big show is over.

Unless it was only Act 1, which is something to think about while staring at the ceiling at 3 a.m.

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**mike royko**

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## forum

## Coalition supports our many cultures, lifestyles

By Jack Josewski  
Of The Commuter

Annabelle Jaramillo is the Director and Coordinator of the "No on 02-06" campaign against the Oregon Citizen's Alliance ballot initiative to amend the Corvallis City Charter.

She is the Treasurer of the Democratic Party in Oregon and was the Democratic nominee for the Oregon Legislative Assembly in 1988. She is active in local political party activities and committees.

I interviewed Ms. Jaramillo at the No on 02-06 headquarters in Corvallis.

**JLJ:** Does this organization have plans to continue after the OCA initiative campaign?

**Jaramillo:** When the primary is over, I'm sure a lot of our resources will be focused on trying to discourage individuals from signing the OCA petitions for a state-wide initiative calling for a constitutional amendment. That will be the future focus of the Human Rights Coalition.

**JLJ:** What else is the Coalition involved in?

**Jaramillo:** Right now our focus is on this initiative.

**JLJ:** Because of the OCA's fielding of third party candidates in the past, such as Al Mobley, it has actually helped the Democratic candidates out. How do you feel about that?

**Jaramillo:** I think that any time they run a candidate there's definitely a clear choice between the candidates they run and the progressive candidates. The candidates that care about people and care about the lives of people. I don't know what their political agenda is. I'm of the opinion that they may run somebody, but I don't know who that would be.

**JLJ:** The OCA is also backing a new anti-tax initiative. Any position on that?

**Jaramillo:** I hope that Oregonians begin to look at these tax referendums and these tax initiatives a little more closely. In 1990 Oregonians passed Measure 5, and it is really going to be devastating in terms of education, of higher education, and even services in this state. I think there was a great deal of hysteria, a great deal of fear, and that scared people into voting for something they really didn't understand, and now they're saying, I wish I wouldn't have voted for that. We have to take our responsibility as citizens very seriously, and try to read between the lines, with any initiative that is put on the ballot or we end up with things like Measure 5.

**JLJ:** In Corvallis, your group has put up a lot of signs saying, vote no on 02-06. What else, specifically, has your group done to defeat the initiative?

**Jaramillo:** Besides doing the very visible things like lawn signs, we do have some television advertising and some radio advertising, and some ads in the local newspaper. We're also trying to talk to voters to let them know that there are some things that could happen. The issue of discrimination, of denial of services, and an issue that has not been brought out to voters. The issue of tax dollars being spent on lawsuits, lawsuits that could hurt this city as a result of this initiative.

**JLJ:** What kind of educational programs would you like to see, regarding homosexuality, in the schools?

**Jaramillo:** I think that people have to be taught that this is a diverse society. That it's not necessarily promoting one lifestyle over another. That's not what I think educational programs need to do. I don't think anybody in this campaign



Annabelle Jaramillo

thinks that's necessary. We have many different cultures in this country and in addition to that there are many different lifestyles. That we all need to get along together, we all need to be contributing members, that's what I think is important.

**JLJ:** I know that you are one of the leaders of the Hispanic community in Corvallis. Do you feel there are racial tensions in this town?

**Jaramillo:** I think there has been a few racial incidences in Corvallis, although I can't spell them out. There has been certain lack of understanding, but I don't think Corvallis is a hot-bed of it. I think we have some groups that try to incite fear. What comes to mind are the American Front posters and flyers we've seen. These are trying to incite a frightened white population into blaming others that are different from themselves for all the wrongs they see in our society. I think that's real dangerous. As a long time activist I've been fighting against hatred all my life. I guess that's why I'm in this battle, because I don't believe in hatred.

**JLJ:** The OCA has had a lot of problems with their financing. Problems with paying their taxes and the IRS. Where do your finances come from?

**Jaramillo:** All of our finances come from contributions, individuals and groups. There's only one paid staffer on the campaign and that's me. We pay our bills and we haven't had a problem with anybody. To me, their problems sound like bad management.

**JLJ:** There's been a lot of talk about passing hate crime bills in the state that would do more to protect gay people. Do you have any views about those?

**Jaramillo:** I don't think the hate crimes bills are to protect gay people, I think they are to protect any people. I think we need to have some sort of enforcement, when people are hurt by other people simply because of who they are. I think that's a plain old human or civil right, to be protected from being assaulted. I think the OCA uses it as a ploy, a campaign of misinformation that this would be special rights.

**JLJ:** Would you favor granting gays minority status?

**Jaramillo:** Gays are not seeking minority status. They don't have minority status nor are they seeking minority status. What gays are asking for is equal protection under the law. To not be kicked out of their house, or fired from their job. The seeking minority status is misinformation spread by the OCA.

**JLJ:** Do you favor gay marriages?

**Jaramillo:** My opinion is that how people choose their life partners is their business.

**JLJ:** And how about those couples adopting children?

**Jaramillo:** Some of the best parents that I know happen to be gay and lesbian parents. I don't think that one sexual orientation necessarily concludes one from being a good parent. I think there are a whole lot of heterosexuals that are not good parents. It has to do with whether or not you care for your children.

**JLJ:** How would you feel if one of your children said they were gay?

**Jaramillo:** I would love them and say that is your choice and I would accept that. I raised them to make choices of their own.

## commuter conversation

## Homophobics beware, Chucky's back

"Acting funny, don't know why -  
"Scuse me while I kiss this guy."

"Purple Haze" Jimi Hendrix

So, about a year ago, before I was a staff member, I wrote a letter to the editor about some graffiti in the Takena WC dealing with ho-

## what's up chuck?

moosexuality. Well, apparently there's something about spring that just excites certain people because once again Chuck takes on homophobes. Mostly because they're so stupid. I mean, strictly grammatically speaking, of the three messages I saw, there were four misspellings. But perhaps I'm judging them too quickly. Very few people I know have told me "Ya know, Chuck, faggets burn in Hell."

However, after sitting in the Fire-side room, I've heard some mighty disturbing conversations. Especially since the Measure 02-06 came up for discussion. A burly fellow whose baseball cap had gotten turned around told his friends that seeing two men hug each other made him want to 'hurl.' At the same time, on the projection screen, a couple in a soap opera were trying to suck each other's tonsils out.

Personally, if I were gay and had to watch some of the breeders' behaviour we're all subjected to, I'd 'hurl' too. I mean, there's the above mentioned soap opera voyeurism which often carries over into evening television, and then there's the couples that I see entwined around each other in various semi-secluded spots on campus.

Maybe these people are scared that

they're going to contract homosexuality by being exposed to gays. I can understand that — I once thought I'd caught homosexuality. It turned out to be a case of intelligence. But I suspect I'll get over it.

Maybe they're still afraid of contracting HIV, despite the fact that straight teenagers (perhaps college students) are the fastest rising group of people contracting the HIV virus. Maybe they're just stupid, even though they seem like fairly intelligent people who could hook up a VCR if they tried.

Personally if somebody called on a music man like myself to hate and avoid Freddy Mercury, David Bowie, the Indigo Girls, Tchaikovsky, George Michael and anybody they'd influenced because of the people they'd slept with, I'd tell them to go kiss the sky.

## The college blues

Greetings Sports Fans!

It could be a nasty viral infection, a result of the global warming trend.

Maybe it's a result of **cooking with paco** spores from a distant galaxy that have drifted into the earth's atmosphere. I'm not sure if medical science knows what causes it but I know what it is.

It's the spring term post mid-term blues. It is the cause of incredible bad crazies and it is highly contagious.

I first noticed it about a week ago, when my roommate Orson, a cinematic major, started talking about going to Alaska. Something about good light. At first I didn't think much about this since we both tend to talk about getting as far from civilization as possible.

Then four days ago I noticed an L.L. Bean catalog on the coffee table and a page of classified ads from the Fort Wellington New World Herald and Caribou Migratory Report. Several apartments for rent were circled. When I asked Orson when he was leaving he just grinned and said he didn't have time to talk, he was on his way to the Linn County Humane Society.

I just figured Orson was plotting to break out the inmates again. Five years ago he set the inmates of the Trinity County Humane Society free. Orson was found three weeks later leading the pack on a rampage through the Trinity Alps on their way to Redding where they planned to set free a petting zoo which was appearing at the Mt. Shasta Mall. The band of crazed pets, and Orson, were stopped just outside of town. All the animals were spayed and neutered and Orson was warned that unless he left California forever, he too would be emasculated.

That was when he moved to Oregon and became an independent film maker and student of the Tao of Pooh. Alas, I digress.

This weekend I realized Orson was serious when I came home and found him standing in the middle of our living room with a dog sled, a guide to building your own igloo, the Whole Earth Catalog and a pack of mongrels consisting of three Pugs, a Great Dane, two Cockers, a Schnauzer, four Labs, and a Basset hound and he was fingering the yellow pages for a yodeling instructor.

Orson is leaving Saturday morning by way of Bend Oregon. I'm not sure why, he said it had something to do with a damn good cup of coffee. In the mean while there is dog shit all over my apartment. Orson and his yodeling coach Fella are keeping me up all night practicing their alpine art and Orson has racks of whale blubber in the kitchen.

I am retaliating by taking up the bagpipes. I have enjoyed wearing kilts and a sporrion for some time, any way.

Dr. Hunter S. Thompson said it best — "when the going gets weird the weird turn pro." Food for thought: happy cooking!

*national features*

# Recession inspires student activism in 1991-92

(NSNS) With the economy still sputtering along, students this year were faced with massive financial obstacles to their education. As a result, more students than ever took action against tuition hikes, campus fee increases and cuts to financial aid.

"The recession added to the activism," says Selena Dong, Legislative Director of the United States Student Association (USSA), an organization working with students nationwide on issues affecting their education. "There's greater anxiety because the students have seen that the recession can affect them directly."

Money worries, however, weren't the only issue sparking students to action this year. The presidential primaries also raised important political and social issues and inspired an increase in campus activism.

The following are some of the issues that students felt most strongly about during the 1991-92 academic year.

## Female issues demand center stage

The confirmation hearings of Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas in early October prompted a new round of public debate on college campuses over sexual harassment.

Outraged over the Thomas hearings, students of both sexes joined forces to fight sexual harassment on campuses nationwide. And in a new development, a growing number of male students became active in the feminist movement by forming male anti-sexism groups at schools such as Tufts, Cornell and Harvard Universities.

"I think that men's groups [on campuses] are a very positive sign," said Rosemary Dempsey, the Action Vice President of the National Organization of Women (NOW). "I think only men can change other men's behavior."

Students concerned with date rape, sexual discrimination, campus safety and reproductive rights also took action by organizing letter writing campaigns, going to court, and holding teach-ins. The April 9th abortion rights rally in Washington, D.C. drew more than 250,000 students from over 500 campuses throughout the nation.

## Discrimination against homosexuals brings protest

In the fall, hundreds of students at more than 70 campuses demanded that their schools terminate their Reserve

Officer Training Corps (ROTC) programs because of a military policy banning homosexuals from service.

By holding rallies and taking legal action, students at Dartmouth College in New Hampshire, State University of New York (SUNY) at Buffalo and Pitzer College in California successfully pressured school administrators to discontinue campus ROTC programs unless the Pentagon changes its policies.

"College campuses everywhere are acting up and challenging the presence of the military on university campuses," said William Rubenstein, Director of the American Civil Liberties Union's National Lesbian and Gay Rights Project. "The ROTC issue is broadening the movement against the military's policy. It's galvanizing not just lesbian and gay students but all students and faculty."

Gay students on many campuses including Auburn University in Alabama also fought for recognition of homosexual organizations on campus.

## Students nationwide fight institutional racism

During February, Black History Month, students throughout the nation turned their attention to issues of race, including a Department of Education proposal that would eliminate federally funded, race-exclusive scholarships.

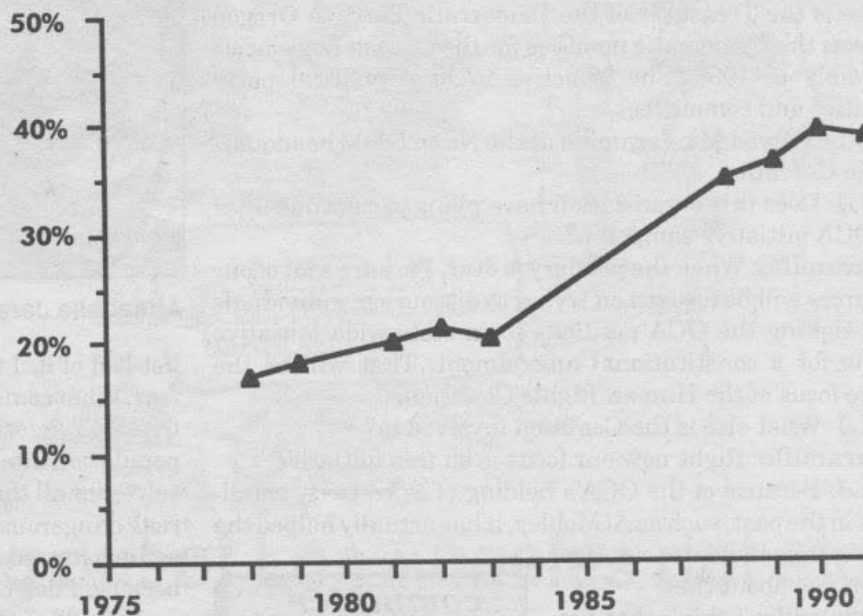
Students organized both locally and nationally against the department's proposal. Locally, students on more than 100 campuses lobbied and coordinated letter-writing campaigns directed at senators and representatives who serve on congressional education committees. On a national level, students descended on Washington in March for two days of demonstrations, vigils and a tent "educational city."

"We are not going to lie down and take this," said Alicia Ybarra, Coordinator of Recruitment for the United States Student Association (USSA). "We're going to Congress to ask them to make race-based scholarships legal."

Students at Harvard Law School and Olivet College in Michigan also fought "institutionalized" racism. Students at Harvard staged sit-ins and protests to demand more minority faculty at the school, while 95 percent of the African-American students at Olivet College left the school after a racial incident which they felt went unpunished.

## Taking a Stand

Percentage of students participating in organized demonstrations



Source: American Council on Education "Survey of American Freshmen"

National Student News Service

## Environmental issues gain importance in election year

Students from Boston to Baton Rouge used this election year to put a different spin on Earth Day '92. Rather than merely celebrating the environment for a single day, student efforts focused on sending a more political and long-term message to politicians.

Lobbying efforts and postcard campaigns were just some of the events planned by students to influence environmental policy.

Students from the University of Washington in Seattle, for example, generated more than 300 letters to President George Bush urging him to attend the United Nation's Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro.

"This year we want Earth Day to send a message to Congress and the president," said Eric Ridenour of Earth Day Resources, a national organization created in 1990 to keep the spirit of Earth Day alive. "It's going to take a lot of tough decisions by our leaders if we want to change things."

And in an effort to shape the future of the environmental movement, students from the University of Wisconsin, Duke University and Stanford University established environmental education programs in local grammar schools on issues including recycling, toxic waste and water pollution.

## Students fight recessionary tuition hikes and budget cuts

With recession-related state and federal budget cuts forcing colleges to raise tuition, cut financial aid and limit services such as library hours, thousands of students staged protests to fight for affordable education.

In February, students from the nine University of California (UC) campuses formed a coalition and held a rally to protest a 22 percent increase in student fees.

In Florida, 3,000 students from that state's university system marched on the state capitol in Tallahassee to protest state budget cuts. Students at well-endowed private institutions were not immune, either, as hundreds of Columbia University students in

New York took over the campus administration building after the announcement of a proposal to cap financial aid to undergraduates.

"Students are the future, yet they're having to shoulder the brunt of the recession," said Erin Braddock, president of the Associated Students at the University of California at Davis. University of Maryland economics major Marc Solomon agreed with Braddock. "Teachers are being laid off, classes are being closed, and they are raising tuition," said Solomon. "We're paying more for less."

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campus news

## Council member urges voter registration

By Daniel Patillo  
For The Commuter

ASLBCC council representative Otis Richardson wants to get more LBCC students involved in the democratic process. His first goal is to get students registered for the Oregon primary, May 19. Richardson said he signed up 211 students before the April 28 registration deadline.

Richardson said his next focus is to register students for the National Presidential Election. Richardson said registration deadline for the general election is Oct. 13, 1992 for the November 1992 election.

Richardson's effort is part of a new program called the "Leadership Project", whose focus is to help increase the voter registration among students on LBCC campus, as well as voter awareness of candidates running for president.

Richardson has set up tables in the busiest areas of the LBCC campus to hand out pamphlets, news and buttons and to get the student body to come out to vote at the May 19, Oregon primary. Richardson will take the registration form to the appropriate voter registration office.

An important part of his Leadership Project is to bring speakers who represent the presidential candidates to LBCC and speak to students. Richardson organized two Political Awareness Forums last week, but the turnout was low for both.

On Monday a representative of The National for Independence in Politics spoke to students, and on Tuesday a Democratic Party Representative appeared.

Last Monday (May 11), a representative for George Bush appeared in the court yard of LBCC.

On May 18 a representative for H. Ross Perot, independent, will be held in the courtyard of LBCC at noon. Richardson's said he is conducting the Leadership Project for the benefit of the students of LBCC, to get them involved by voting and to help them to get to know the candidate.

Richardson reaction to the low attendance for the first two political awareness forums was to blame the nice weather, and lack of interest.

Richardson said the remaining forums will be held in the court yard of LBCC to take advantage of the nice weather.

## Fine weather signals 'Spring Daze'

By James Murrow  
Of The Commuter

With the end of spring term approaching, ASLBCC representatives are once again preparing themselves for the annual Spring Daze event. The four-day event gives students a rest before finals and gives LBCC a chance to say good-bye to graduating students.

Spring Daze will begin Wednesday, May 27 and, for the first time, will run through Saturday, May 30. In the past, Spring Daze events have not run through the weekend.

The new Saturday events include kids games and a country dance contest. Dance competitors will have a chance to win a raft trip for two.

Other events scheduled for Saturday include a chili cook-off and feed, a mini-golf course and barn dance. Saturday's music will be performed by

a Maharimbass Band from 1-2 p.m. and 4-5 p.m.

Saturday's events will be held in the parking lot by the gym. Events scheduled Monday through Friday will be held in the courtyard.

Wednesday's events begin at 11:30 a.m. with an all campus picnic. Ibrahim Adamu will perform African Drumming at 12 p.m. and the program will end with the Bafa Cultural Games at 2 p.m. in the Alsea Room.

Thursday's events include miniature golf and entertainment by the Christians On Campus vocal group.

A fun run and walk at the LBCC track and an International Food Fair round-out the week on Friday.

Events that run each day, through Friday, are: ACCESS Club demonstrations, the PRN veggie-n-dip sales and the RHAC ice cream sales.



Photo by Christof Walsdorf

### Petal Pushing

Students from the LBCC Horticultural Club sell potted plants to eager shoppers last Friday in the courtyard. The club holds an annual plant sale just before Mother's Day that attracts a large turnout of students and staff who are looking for gifts as well as starter plants for their gardens. The club raised about \$600 in little more than two hours according to a spokesperson.

## campus briefs

### Business Center Open House

An open house in celebration of Small Business Week and LBCC's Business Development Center's new fall programs will be held on Wednesday, May 13, 5-7 p.m. in the Boardrooms. It is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about the programs and services offered by the center and meet our staff. Current and past clients will be there to share with you how their participation in the various programs has impacted their businesses. Come enjoy the hors d'oeuvres, beverages and door prizes.

### Student Programs t-shirts

Student Programs Office has new and exciting t-shirts for "Spring Days" and "Intramural/Recreational Sports," in addition to a few "Diversity" t-shirts still available. All the designs are on display in CC-213. Cost is \$10 each. Kids sizes are available.

### International Food Fair

Students and staff are invited to participate in an international food fair on Friday, May 29, noon-1 p.m. in the Courtyard. Please bring an "inter-

national" dish to share in this "pot-luck." In order to plan and publicize this event, we need to know who is participating and what country will be represented, so call ext. 831 to sign up today!

### Looney Lane litter pick-up

The Seaside Team is organizing a littler pick-up of Looney and Allen Lanes just south and southwest of the college on May 16 at 9 a.m. To join the group, just meet in the parking lot of the Activities Center. Be sure to wear work clothes and bring gloves. Safety vests will be provided.

### Open mike sessions planned

Local writers and poets are invited to the Open Mike session of the Valley Writers Series to read their works, including contributors to the "Eloquent Umbrella". Open Mike will be held Wednesday, May 13, noon-1 p.m. in F-104.

### Tennis tournament

LBCC Intramural/Recreational Sports is sponsoring a tennis tournament on Friday, May 15, 2-6 p.m. at the tennis courts. It is open to all staff, faculty and students. Sign up in Student Programs.

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# Law begins clamp down on boaters who drink

Woman tells of her near death experience and the thoughts that run through her head

By Tricia Lafrance  
Of The Commuter

*On April 29, as the sun dimmed its orange glow on the Willamette River, a small aluminum drift boat drew near Takena Landing.*

*With her two children snuggled in blankets under the bow, Jill Rose sat back and relaxed while her husband Mark rowed through the darkening water.*

*Suddenly a roar pierced the tranquil stillness of the evening. Within seconds the family's pleasant conversation turned to screams.*

*What happened next Jill remembers well, for it turned her family's peaceful life upside down.*

"In an instant I heard this extremely loud motor coming from up stream," Jill would later write in her diary. "I looked in the direction of the sound, and I thought that boat is like a tank, and it's moving at an incredible speed directly toward the middle of our boat. I looked at Mark, who was frantically grabbing the boat oars. His face turned white and his eyes widened in terror. I looked back at the boat and this horrible sensation engulfed my body. There is no way he can see us. My eyes searched frantically for the driver. I looked toward the top of this massive boat; the windshield was tipped toward the sky. How could I get the attention of the driver? I screamed as loud as I could. I was terrified. But of course, the driver of the speed boat didn't hear me.

"I thought of jumping, hoping the driver at the last second would see our drift boat. Then I realized there was no time to get Avery and Sheila, my 7 and 3-year-old-children, out of the bow of the boat. My children were trapped. I had this vision of Avery and Sheila all bloody and mangled screaming 'mommy, help me mommy,' and I knew at that moment I would not leave my children.

"I put my head down toward my ankles, closed my eyes and gripped the bottom of the seat as tight as I could. I thought, this is the end. My family and I are going to die a violent death and there is nothing that I can do.

"The noise was like dynamite going off and I felt myself getting beaten up. My right leg hit something; I was sure it was broken. But I thought, this is wonderful, I can feel my leg hurting. Then my head was flung into something and struck hard. My head and legs were whipped back to the other side and struck by something else.

"Instantly, after the crash, my sole concern was for Avery and Sheila and Mark. I lifted my head up and looked into the bow of the boat. A surge of extreme thankfulness and joy overwhelmed me. My children were alive. I turned around, praying that Mark was ok too. I looked at where he had been sitting. He wasn't there. Then I

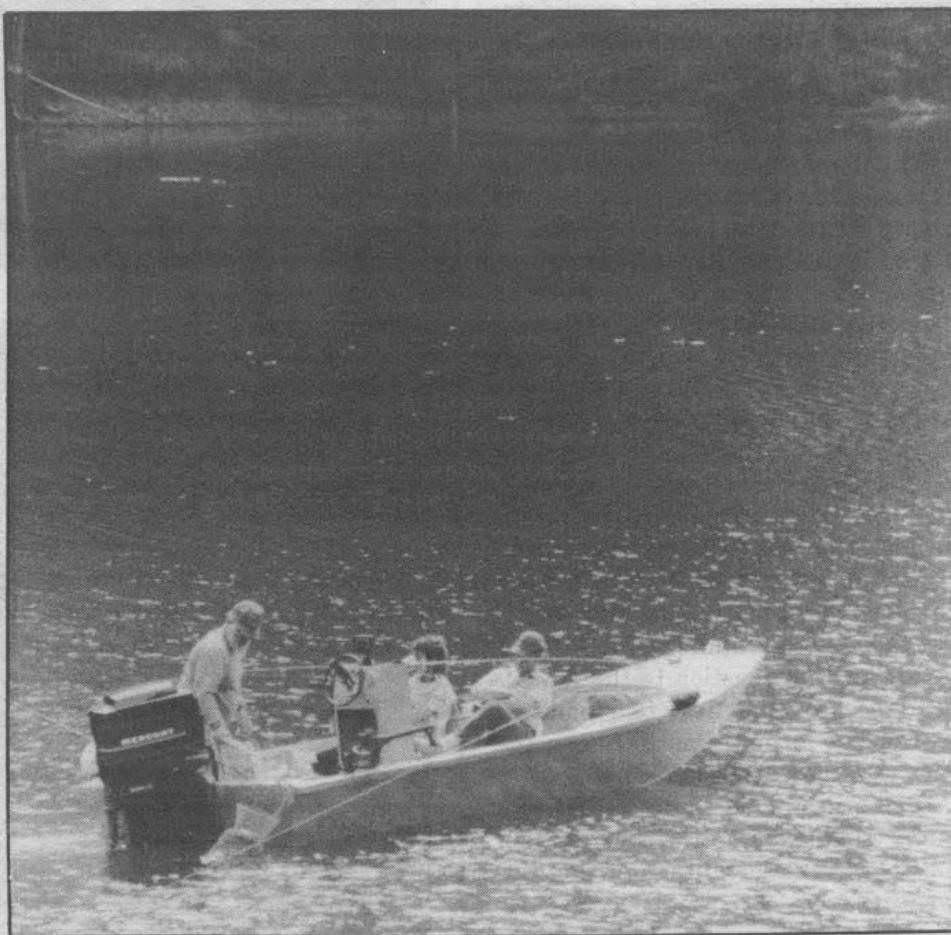


Photo by Jack Josewski

**Boaters spend a day cruising at Green Peter Reservoir near Sweet Home. New boating regulations are similar to automobile regulations. Operators will have to comply with the same implied consent law as drivers on the state's highways.**

saw him hanging onto the side of the boat with blood over his face and running down the side of his head."

Along the river bank, a fisherman who witnessed the incident, later reported he saw the power boat hit the drift boat and continue over it rising about six feet in the air. He ran to his car and drove to a nearby shopping center where he called 911. The fisherman later told police that just prior to the crash he'd looked at his watch because he'd been about ready to call it a day. The collision occurred at 8:30 p.m. on April 29, 1991.

The man who hit the Roses that day had been drinking, according to law enforcement officers. And, although this eventually became one of the first cases of boating under the influence to be prosecuted in the county, it is not an isolated occurrence.

Six thousand boating accidents, which result in 1,200 fatalities and \$15 million in property damage, are reported nationally each year according to the U.S. Coast Guard. Alcohol is a factor in 59 percent of all motor boat fatalities.

The State Marine Board of Oregon recorded 110 recreational boating accidents in 1991 and 22 fatalities. Arrests for boating under the influence were up statewide from 21 in 1990 to 56 in 1991.

In the Roses' case, the driver blew a .10 on the intoxilyzer at the Law Enforcement Center in Corvallis and was charged with boating under the influence. After seven months the case went to trial and the driver was convicted of boating under the influence and two counts of assault.

The Roses survived with cuts, puncture wounds and bruises that took less time to heal than the emotional

trauma. The feeling of helplessness to protect her children, her husband and herself from harm still haunts Jill one year after the collision.

"This is the first charge for boating under the influence that ever went to trial, that I've ever seen. And it's the first time that we charged someone with injuring another with a boat that I can remember," said Ken Osher, Chief Deputy District Attorney for Benton County.

The statute that defines boating under the influence is similar to the statute that defines driving under the influence with respect to cars, said Osher. The law states: No person under the influence of an intoxicating liquor or controlled substance shall operate, propel or be in actual physical control of any boat on any waters of this state.

"It did not say if the alcohol level in someone's bloodstream was .08 or more,

they were committing the crime of boating under the influence, as it states for driving a car under the influence."

Now it does. "A new law specifies

a blood alcohol content level of .08 or higher as being under the influence," said Bill Ryebloom, State Marine Board law enforcement program coordinator. "It provides implied consent, which means anyone operating a boat on the waters of Oregon has given consent to submit to a field sobriety test, which may include a breath test. The new law also adds cancellation of operating privileges and boat registration for up to three years to the already existing penalties of a jail sentence for up to one year and a fine up to \$2,500."

The new law passed the Legislature and was signed by the governor last summer. It went into effect last fall

and will be enforced for the first time this 1992 boating season.

"Nationwide, drinking and operating a boat has been identified as a big problem," said Ryebloom. Boating is a popular recreation and so is drinking alcohol. And when the weather's good and the fish are biting, people put the two together and go for it. Boating and drinking have always gone hand in hand in this country and nobody has ever said no, you can't do that. It is legal to have the steering wheel in one hand and a cocktail in the other."

"I think we tend to take a much more lax attitude about consuming alcohol in combination with boating activities," agreed Osher. "There is no open container statute with respect to boats and the enforcement level is much lower, I'm sure that contributes to the attitude that seems to pervade. People don't expect to get stopped or questioned or put through field sobriety tests if they drink and then get behind the wheel of a boat."

In his opinion, however, neither the courts nor law enforcement officers treat boating DUIs any less seriously than driving under the influence on the road. It's just that the chances of being caught are lower. Part of the problem, he said, is that when a driver crosses a center line, it's a give-away for the police officer, it's more difficult to detect a boater under the influence.

"I think we've been fortunate—maybe it's because the rivers are wider than the highways or maybe it's pure luck that we haven't had more injuries than we have," said Osher. "But that shouldn't diminish the seriousness of the conduct."

"It requires a change in attitude for people to take this problem seriously—just like it did with cars," said Marty Law of the State Marine Board. "Alcohol and boating is as dangerous as alcohol and operating a car. Generally people don't walk away from a boating accident. You need to be sharper because there are no lines, turn signals or lights on a body of water. Stress factors—sun, wind, noise, vibration—affect a person and cause them to have slower reflexes and reactions, without alcohol. So it doesn't take much alcohol before you're impaired."

In 1988, Ryebloom and Law designed a program to train marine deputies to detect and apprehend the alcohol-impaired operator. To date they've trained 125 deputies who patrol Oregon waterways eight hours a day from late May through September.

Benton County marine deputies, who patrol the Willamette from Buena Vista to Harrisburg are required to make contact with all boats. They enforce the laws while they check for alcohol and teach boating safety.

After her accident Jill worked at the Mothers Against Drunk Driving booth at the Benton County Fair and at the Oregon State Fair. She also participated in candle light vigils at the state Capitol in remembrance of people who have been killed by drunk driver, listening to the people they left. She has spoken at OSU at meetings where both victims and people convicted of alcohol related incidents shared their stories.

"I don't want anyone to die a violent death because another human being chooses to use their motor vehicle as a weapon to kill or maim while they are drunk."

## local news

# Nearby old-growth stands lure hikers

Some of Oregon's few remaining groves of giant old-growth trees can be found within an hour's drive from Albany and Corvallis

By Paul Goulett  
Of The Commuter

The big trees reach out into the sky, almost as if they were trying to touch the edge of Heaven. Filtered streaks of sunlight struggle to reach the lush vegetation on the forest floor far below.

The loud soothing sound of water from a nearby creek echoes continuously through the trees. The moist, cool air tastes clean and oxygenated. The potent power of nature is all around.

A seemingly endless variety of plant species cover the forest floor beneath the dense tress looming in the background. Huge patches of clover seem to roll on and on forever. A narrow trail that follows the stream is barely visible among the thick sword ferns, moss and tiny wild flowers.

Although different greens are the prominent colors, several others are also visible, ranging from cool browns and blacks to warm yellows and pink.

For the casual observer, the most striking feature of an old-growth forest is the height and massiveness of the dominant trees.

But old-growth contains much more than just big trees. Ancient forest ecosystems contain several types of habitat that are home to thousands of known species. However, the true number of species is undoubtedly a good many thousands.

Old-growth ecosystems are unique because they possess trees with uneven age distribution, standing snags, broken tree tops, understory vegetation and downed logs which provide for the progression of dependent communities. Downed logs also provide homes for many mammals, and they form travel lanes through brush and over ravines. Dead trees also help restore habitat continuity and natural reinvestment in soils and streams.

Mid-valley residents have the unusual opportunity to visit several of the few remaining old-growth stands. Most are only a short drive away.

Less than an hour away in the Coast Range, Marys Peak has several good old-growth hiking spots. North of Corvallis, the McDonald-Dunn forests provides hikes even closer to home. About an hour's drive east of Salem are Opal Creek and Opal Lake in the Cascades. East of Albany in the Santiam Pass, Gordon Lakes offers old-growth hikes close to water.

The temperate rain forests of the Pacific Northwest contain topographic and climate diversity. Oregon's forests start at the cool coast, roll over the mountains into the valley, cover the foothills and rise into the Cascades. They normally have a wet winter followed by summer drought.

Clearly defining old-growth is difficult, however. According to former LBCC students William Starr and Quinton Schuchardt, who are now forest recreation resources management majors at Oregon State University, old-growth is defined differently in each of Oregon's national forests.

Starr feels this is unfortunate.

"Management goals are often unrelated because

there are so many definitions of old-growth," he said. He argues that current forest management practices must be changed because "every part of an old-growth forest is, in some way codependent on the other parts."

Replanting is not the answer, he said. "Replacing old-growth trees with seedlings does not restore the diverse ecological system that once existed," Starr said. Schuchardt agrees. "There should never be a total clear-cut," he said. "A good forest plan would leave snags and logs because they provide for the continuance and continuity of dependent communities."

Besides supporting and sustaining thousands of species and numerous communities, old-growth also stores an enormous amount of carbon dioxide.

"Results from a 1990 OSU Department of Forest Science study have revealed cutting old-growth forests and replacing them with younger trees will not reduce atmospheric carbon dioxide levels," Starr explained. Schuchardt added that results also revealed that "during the last 100 years 2 percent of all carbon dioxide released into the atmosphere due to land use changes was caused solely by forest harvest in Oregon and Washington." Schuchardt and Starr feel this indicates "the harvesting of old-growth conifer forests in the Pacific Northwest is a potential cause of global warming," commonly known as the "greenhouse effect."

According to Mark Harmon, an assistant professor with the OSU Department of Forest Science, "after an area is clear-cut it takes at least 250 years before the original level of carbon storage and equilibrium is regained." Smaller trees simply aren't able to maintain a "carbon equilibrium."

Managing the ancient forests of the Pacific Northwest is no longer just a local and state economic dispute. The future of our federal forests has become a nationwide political issue as controversy swirls around the future of the northern spotted-owl. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has linked the survival of the spotted-owl to old-growth forests. Schuchardt said there are approximately 3,000 to 5,000 owl pairs left.

"Most of the other animals threatened by the removal of woody debris and snags don't receive their share of publicity," added Starr. Among those he mentioned are the tree swallow, purple martin, western bluebird, flicker, woodpeckers, bats, chipmunks, lynx, bobcats and elk. "Cutting down the rest of our old-growth forests will cause losses of unknown value to life's genetic pool," Starr said.

Those interested in experiencing first-hand one or more of the old-growth stands still existing in Oregon can find one within an easy drive to the north, east or west. Following are directions to five nearby old-growth day hikes. Anyone wishing information on other hikes can leave their name and number in The Commuter newsroom (CC-210), c/o Paul Goulett.

## Old Growth Hikes

**Opal Lake**—(Difficult hike)—Take Highway 22 approximately 53 miles east out of Salem. Turn left (N) onto Road 2223 (along French Creek, just before crossing the bridge entering Detroit). Turn right (NE) onto Road 2207 after 4 miles. Trailhead is on

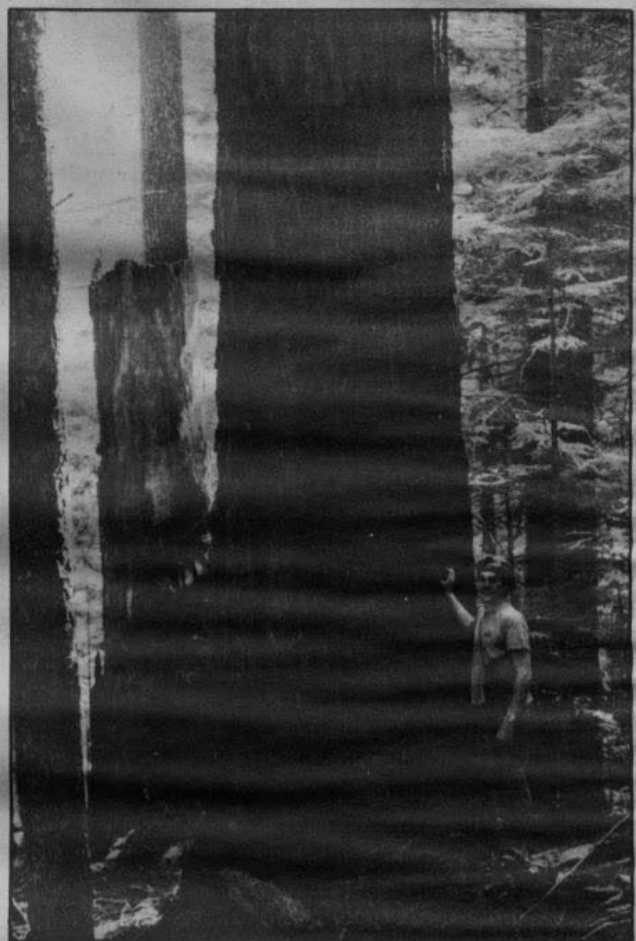


Photo by Paul Goulett

A relaxing hike through the old-growth forest offers an excellent place to unwind from the pressures of urban living. Commuter writer Paul Goulett poses near one of the giants.

the right (N) 6 miles up Road 2207. (Note: Road 2207 is also accessible from Road 2209)

**Opal Creek**—(Moderate-to-Difficult hike)—Take Highway 22 approximately 27 miles east of Salem to Little North Fork Road (#2209—about one mile east of Mehama). Turn left (NE) onto Little North Fork Road. After 15 miles road turns to gravel; follow 5.5 miles farther. Park at gate and walk up road behind gate.

**Gordon Lakes**—(Moderate-to-Difficult)—Take Highway 20 about 28 miles east of Sweet Home to House Rock (Road 2044). Turn right (S) at House Rock and follow Road 2044 approximately 6 miles. Turn right (W) onto Road 230. Follow 3 miles to end of road where trailhead starts.

**Marys Peak**—(Moderate hike)—Take Highway 34 at the 34/20 junction west of Philomath and go approximately 20 miles to Marys Peak Road. Turn right (N) and follow 9 miles to state campground on right. Park here and enter marked trail.

**Marys Peak**—(Difficult hike)—Follow Marys Peak Road 6 miles from Highway 34 intersection. Turn left (NW) onto Harlan Road (gravel) follow approximately 2 miles to small parking area on the right next to creek, where you will find the trailhead. (There is a fire pit next to creek and parking area).

**McDonald-Dunn Forest**—(Moderate hike)—Take 99W north out of Corvallis for about 3 miles to the Peavy Arboretum turn off. Trail maps are available at the entrance or in the main office of the arboretum. Parking is located by the office next to the trail head.

# Historic Lamb and Wool Fair opens local festival season Friday

By Sharon Nigh Adams  
Of The Commuter

"In the Wool-Lamb-It Valley" is the theme for the annual Lamb and Wool Fair in Scio this weekend.

Activities get rolling with the toilet bowl races at 6:30 p.m. Friday on Main Street. At 7 p.m., the coronation of the queen will take place at the Scio High School gym and beginning at 8:30 p.m. a street dance will take place on Main Street with music provided by Christina Eastman and Hot Tears.

A long list of activities is scheduled for Saturday, May 16, beginning with

the Shepherders breakfast at 7 a.m. in the Scio Middle School gym.

A highlight of the fair is the Northwest Champion Sheep Dog Trials, which begin at 8 a.m. Saturday and continue through the day and again on Sunday. At least 30 dogs will be involved in this year's competition. Browns' farm on Gilkey Road is the site of this event. Spectators are welcome; admissions is charged.

Other events Saturday include the five-mile Lamb Trot, lamb judging, lamb burger feed, and displays of wool crafts, flowers quilts and other handi-

crafts at various sites around the town. Activities for children are also planned.

The Lamb and Wool Fair parade will begin down Main Street at 11 a.m. The very first Lamb Show parade was held back in 1933.

A historic barn tour leaves at 2 p.m. on both Saturday and Sunday from the corner of the ZCJB Hall.

Music by Brett Lamb begins at 6:30 p.m. in the Scio High School gym, and at 7 p.m. is the Sheepskin Revue in the ZCJB Hall.

Ending the days' festivities is a dance sponsored by the Scio Fire Depart-

ment in the Scio High School gym.

Sunday begins with a community breakfast at 7 a.m. in the IOOF Hall. Other events include a cookie contest, the Rick Rogers Family Magic Show at 1 p.m., an old-fashioned lamb roast, and covered bridge car rally.

The pot bellied pigs "Mollie's Follies" perform at 2 p.m. at the fairground location one block east of Main.

A hot air balloon will be tethered at the Scio High School during the festivities with weather permitting.

This is the first parade and fair of the festival season in the Mid-Valley.

arts & entertainment

# Lenny Bruce returns from the dead

By Cory J. Frye I, Esq.  
Of The Commuter

For those of you diehard comedy lovers and comedian wanna-bes, Lenny Bruce is your master. He inspired legions of future comedians and shock-talkers like George Carlin, Richard Lewis, Eric Bogosian, Howard Stern and Richard Pryor.

He emerged on the Los Angeles strip joint scene in the late 1950s, arriving just in time to save the dying art of comedy, which had been surviving on a life-support system, kept alive by old hands like Bob Hope and Red Skelton. Bruce brought danger to the word "funny" and re-installed the razors edge that had dulled and rusted over the years. He constantly walked it and sometimes fell off.

His material pioneered audience walk-outs and once—since he knew he could never follow a stripper—had walked onto the stage in only his socks and wrist-watch and delivered his monologue before he was thrown out. His wicked sense of humor was constantly getting him busted ("If Lenny Bruce ever says anything about the Pope again—and I'm speaking here as a Catholic—I'm going to arrest you, him and everyone else in this place," said one police captain to a Chicago nightclub owner) and landed him in a San Francisco courtroom in 1962 on obscenity charges. He won and it was a great victory for the First Amendment.

But charges of obscenity plagued him until he was declared bankrupt in 1964. He continued his onslaught on America and the government until he died of a drug overdose in 1966.

Comedy has never been the same and now Bruce has resurfaced just in time to save it from stale comedians who make jokes about their loving wives and happy marriages. We need Lenny Bruce's whip-cracking and the world of comedy receives its punishment with "The Lenny Bruce Originals, Vols. 1 and 2," released by Fantasy Records.

Be forewarned: Bruce still has the power to shock 30 years later.

Volume One pays homage to Bruce's early years of skits and bits when he was getting his feet wet. Some of the best bits on Volume One include "The March of Hi-Fidelity" and "Father Flotski's Triumph (Unexpurgated)."

"March" is a story about the hi-fi stereo craziness that swept the nation in the 1950s. A hi-fi nut dies and his friends turn him into a giant speaker because "he would've wanted it that way."

"Father Flotski's Triumph" is Bruce's triumph—a parody of the 1930s Warner Brothers prison movies. Bruce's "movie" stars famous stock players of the Warners era: Charles Bickford as Dutch the Prisoner, whose lines are an incomprehensible "Yaddah yaddah!"; Hume Cronyn as the Warden and Swiss Colony Wine's Arthur Shields as Father Flotski.

Before Dutch has to walk "The Last Mile" to the electric chair, Flotski visits him and gives him words of encouragement.

"You're not a bad boy, Dutch," Flotski explains. "Killing six people doesn't make anyone bad.... When you walk the bad road, the good road is hard to follow. When the bad road opens, the good road closes. And don't you know, Dutch, this is Arthur Shields for Swiss Colony Wine?"

Dutch goes to the electric chair and gives it up for Kiki, the gay hospital attendant.

The best piece of Volume One is "Adolph Hitler and the M.C.A. (Mein Campf Always)," a story of a production company looking for Germany's new leader after the Kaiser violates his contract. After a few auditions, they see their ideal dictator star painting the walls, Adolph Schicklegruber, known to history teachers as Adolph Hitler. And the rest is history.

Other classics on Volume One include "Religions, Inc." (he was laughing at evangelists before anyone else); "Ike, Sherm and Nick," "Psychopathia Sexualis" and "Three Message Movies: A. Narcotics, B. Truth, C. Tolerance."

Volume Two glorifies Bruce's live stand-up as Lenny tackles racial issues "The Defiant Ones" and "How To Relax Your Colored Friends at Parties", politics ("Our Governors"), American life ("Marriage, Divorce and Motels") and junkies ("Airplane Glue").

Bruce's crowning triumph is the 20-minute plus "The Palladium," a tale of a comic who blows his dream gig in Lon-

don after scoring big in America. His problem is that he has to follow crowd-pleasing Sophie Tucker. One night she owns the crowd with a raucous musical number and the comedian (Frank Dell) comes on and bombs. On the second night, Tucker depresses the English audience with a number for the lost souls who died at Dunkirk, one of the bloodiest English battles in World War II. "Where are the boys?" she laments. "The boys are dead."

Dell returns to the stage with the same act as the night before and bombs to the point that in desperation, he turns to shock comedy, inciting the crowd to riot ("Screw the Irish! Screw the Irish!") and they tear the Palladium down. Needless to say, Dell is deported back to America to avoid possible death. Listening to this collection is like discovering a humongous lost piece to a puzzle that doesn't make sense without it.

Bruce was the essential link to the thinking man's humor and the world of comedy is lost without him, with no one to take his place. Comedian Dick Gregory said it best, "This man is the eighth wonder of the world. You have to go back to Mark Twain to find anything remotely like him. And if they don't kill him, or throw him in jail, he's liable to shake up this whole country."

Right now, the world needs a little shaking. And if Bruce is the only one who can do it, let him.

review



MAY 15

Spend an evening in the South Pacific at Flinn's Top of the Block Theater at 222 W. 1st Avenue in Albany with the Latin, Caribbean and Swing music of Samba Pacifica at 8:30 p.m. Stay for the Pacifica Production Theater Players and jazz guitarist Mark Lichtenthaler and a sketch by the Regional School of Ballet. Admission is \$5. For more information, contact Pacifica Productions at 757-0205.

coming soon

MAY 21

Violinist Sherry Kloss will appear with the OSU-Corvallis Symphony Orchestra at 8 p.m. in the LaSells Stewart Center. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$4 for students. They are available in Corvallis at the OSU Music Department, the Emporium, Gracewinds Music, Rice's Pharmacy and at Sid Stevens Jewelers in Albany.

### Theatre/Film

MAY 15

George Lauris presents the John-Michael Tebelak/Stephen Schwartz musical play "Godspell" in the Main Theatre at LBCC at 8 p.m. Tickets are on sale now at the Emporiums in Corvallis and Albany and at the Box Office on campus in Room 108. Telephone reservations may also be made by calling 967-6504 Monday-Friday from 8 a.m.-12 p.m.

The International Film Series presents Agnieszka Holland's German entry, "Europa Europa," a political adventure film, at the Wilkinson Auditorium. The film starts at 7 and 9:30 p.m. with a \$2.75 admission charge.



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## arts &amp; entertainment

"Sonny" Lonsdale vs. "Kid" AuCoin:  
The Thicket in the Ticket"Broadcast by Showtime Boxing and on TCI  
Pay-Per-ViewSteve Albert and Captain Lou Albano at  
ringside.

Analyst: Dr. Ferdie Pechecko.

Broadcast date: May 14, 1992.

**STEVE:** Good afternoon everyone, I'm Steve Albert here at ringside with Captain Lou Albano for Showtime Boxing's special presentation of the long-awaited "Thicket in the Ticket" bout with Congressman Les "Kid" AuCoin and small businessman-turned politician Harry "Sonny" Lonsdale. Any comments, Captain Lou?

**LOU:** Well, Steve, I don't really know anything about boxing; I'm a professional wrestling manager by trade, but I would have to say that after I watched the mud-racking commercial spots, AuCoin has the upper hand going into this bout.

**STEVE:** Let's take a look at AuCoin's ring career: he's a Democrat who's spent the last decade as a Congressman. He has the experience, but newcomers are always the ones to watch out for. And Lonsdale is coming into this bout with vengeance in mind. Ferdie?

**FERDIE:** Concerning the fight, I'm quite sure that Lonsdale has a game plan and will probably come out like a bat out of hell for the first three rounds before his punches have little effect. I predict that Lonsdale will be down in four, not because he's a tired old man, but because he doesn't have what it takes to really step in the ring with a pugilist of AuCoin's stature.

**STEVE:** And there you have it from the master commentator. The fight will commence in about a half-hour and since this is pay cable, we can't exactly break for a commercial, so we'll run the commercials that started it all.

**(COMMERCIAL 1)**

**VOICE-OVER:** Last year, Harry Lonsdale stated in a letter that "the American worker is overpaid" and he is lobbying for a pay cut that will eliminate Oregon jobs and drop our economy into the toilet. So if you vote for him, don't come crying to...Les AuCoin. Paid for by Les' Friends.

**(COMMERCIAL 2)**

**VOICE-OVER:** So AuCoin thinks Harry Lonsdale is trying to eliminate Oregon jobs. What he didn't tell you is that he's lobbying to send our lumber to Japan and force us to buy our wood in their products. He didn't tell you that he bounced over 80 checks for \$60,000 and doesn't plan on paying us back. So if you want a pick-pocket traitor

like Les AuCoin representing your state, go right ahead. Don't say Harry didn't warn you. Paid for by Harry's co-Workers Who Are Unknowingly Paying For This Commercial.

**(COMMERCIAL 3)**

**VOICE-OVER:** Oh, yeah? Maybe Harry thinks he's the right man for the job and the leader of the common man, but he's got another thing coming. Harry's nothing but a common thief. In fact, so's his family; they're all thieves. It's a wonder why none of them are in jail. I'm surprised none of them are selling themselves on the street for grocery money. So if you want a bunch of criminal prostitutes representing the state of Oregon, you deserve him.

**(COMMERCIAL 4)****VOICE-OVER:** Your momma.**(COMMERCIAL 5)**

**VOICE-OVER:** Speaking of mothers, Harry Lonsdale, wasn't yours a Nazi? In fact, I think she was impregnated by Adolf Hitler and guess who the offspring was, Oregon? Think about it. Paid for by AuCoin's High School Buddies.

**(COMMERCIAL 6)**

**VOICE-OVER:** Here's a photograph of Les AuCoin at a party with Divine at Andy Warhol's Studio 67. It was reported later that Les was later seen walking the streets in leather and chains, waving at sailors with a cute lisp. Do you really want a sick-o like Les in the Senate? Yicch! Paid for by Harry Lonsdale's IRA Account.

**(COMMERCIAL 7)**

**VOICE-OVER:** All right, Harry Lonsdale. Enough is enough. You want to take me on, you wussy? I'll meet you anytime, anywhere. Bring your lunch, sucker, because I'll have worked up a small sweat beating on your old ass and I'll need something to eat. Whatsamatter, ya scared? Old man? Hahahahahahahahaha! Paid for by AuCoin's High School Buddies.

**(COMMERCIAL 8)**

**VOICE-OVER:** How'bout Madison Square Gardens, little man? Bring it on!

**STEVE:** And that's how it all transpired, ladies and gentlemen, and tonight we'll see it come to fruition in the squared circle at Madison Square Gardens. I can see that the ring announcer is preparing, so back to you, Freddie.

**RING ANNOUNCER:** Ladies and gentlemen, Donald Trump welcomes you to Madison Square Gardens for the 1992 Senatorial Race "The Thicket On the Ticket." Let's get ready to rumble! To my left, with his manager, weighing in at 178 lbs., the challenger from Parts Unknown, Harry "Sonny" Lonsdale. To my right in the blue corner, weighing in at 167 lbs., the champion Congressman Les "Kid" AuCoin. The fight is scheduled for 12 rounds with three TKOs and one KO.

**BELL:** Ding ding ding!

**STEVE:** And the fight has begun. Lonsdale storms from his corner and starts with a series of uppercuts with AuCoin's bounced checks and AuCoin is caught off guard! He's swaying, he's woozy, but he's still standing. Lonsdale is going back into the bread basket with those bounced checks, but they're having no effect on the Congressman.

**FERDIE:** No surprise there; I knew this was Lonsdale's strategy, but I think he's going to have to look for another avenue of strength because AuCoin's expecting this and is blocking every shot.

**LOU:** I'm still waiting for AuCoin to fight.

**STEVE:** Yes, it appears as if Les is simply absorbing the blows and waiting for Harry to make a mistake. He's got AuCoin backed into the corner and Harry's still going after him with those bounced checks!

**LOU:** Oooooohhhh!

**FERDIE:** Omigod, did you just see that?! AuCoin smashed that glass jaw with a terrific hook for the common man and Lonsdale is struggling to stay on his feet!

**LOU:** He's down!**STEVE:** And they're starting the count.

**FERDIE:** He got up after five. Lonsdale was not expecting that maneuver at all!

**STEVE:** It caught him way off guard and Lonsdale is just trying to figure out where he is. That had a damning effect on him.

**FERDIE:** I don't think he's going to recuperate from that one. He might not feel it right now, but tomorrow morning, his jaw is going to sting like liquid bleach on an infected cut.

**LOU:** I think we have a broken nose out there. Look at all the blood on the apron!

**STEVE:** Lonsdale's manager calls him to the corner to clean up that nose. Look at AuCoin! He looks like he's waiting for a meat feast!

**FERDIE:** And I think Lonsdale is his stuffed pig. With that broken nose, he kinda looks like Bob Packwood.

**LOU:** Oooooohhhh! Harry just walked into that one!

**STEVE:** Yes, he came out like gangbusters, but AuCoin thrashed his left eye with an Overpaid American Worker uppercut!

**LOU:** That musta hurt!**BELL:** Ding ding ding!

**FERDIE:** And that ends the first round here at the "Thicket In the Ticket." And what a first round it was! We saw the rise and fall of a Senatorial hopeful. I think the wind has been knocked out of him and that's only the story of rounds to come.

**BELL:** Ding ding ding!

**STEVE:** And that's the start of the second round...

## 19th French Banquet May 21, 22

By Holli Clucas  
Of The Commuter

The 19th annual Culinary Arts French Banquet will be held in the Alsea-Calapooia Room on May 21, 22.

Wade Jones, the student chef, and Kirk Turcott, the dining room manager, are in charge of the banquet along with 25 other culinary arts students.

The multi-course meal is prepared and planned entirely by the students as a learning experience. The main course of the evening this year will be quail, although how it will be prepared is still being tested. Recipes for apply and curry stuffing are under consider-

ation.

The students plan on serving up to 160 people for both nights.

Tickets are \$19.50 each but availability is limited. There are tickets left for the Thursday night dinner, but very few for Friday.

Money from the event goes into the preparation of the banquet. The department makes little to no profit from the banquet. It uses the event to give the students an opportunity to get the experience of preparing the meal, and to give patrons a night out to enjoy good food, said Scott Anselm, culinary arts instructor.

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## Writer gives insight on Trailblazers in '92

By Joel Slaughter  
Of The Commuter

It's May and NBA play-off action has advanced to the second round. It must be time once again for the Portland Trailblazers to choke. After losing the 1990 finals with three defeats at home to the Detroit Pistons and getting knocked out of the playoffs last season by the Los Angeles Lakers in the Western Conference finals, the Blazers have obtained a reputation as a team that cannot win in the clutch. Now, the only way for Portland to shed that stereotype is to win the 1992 NBA Championship. It is possible, but will be determined by several key factors.

**commentary**

### The Blazers will win the title in '92 if:

- They win at home. The Blazers may have the smallest arena in the NBA, but the nearness of the loud, screaming crowd to the players can be a tremendously intimidating force to the opposition. Portland has the home court advantage throughout the playoffs, unless they meet the Chicago Bulls (which is very likely) in the NBA finals. Simply, the Blazers have already proven they can win at home, but they must continue to be successful at "The Glass Palace." Losing at home against a team like Seattle or Utah could be costly. Portland is a decent road team, but there's nothing quite like "home sweet home."

- Kevin Duckworth disregards the critical fans and just plays. He is a vital piece to the Blazers championship puzzle. He is important in rebounding to start the Portland fast break as well as scoring on his well known "Duck hook." He also can come through in the clutch and Monday night's double overtime performance overwhelmingly proved that.

- Clyde Drexler can continue to have his career year. Now that he has officially been added to the 1992 U.S. Olympic Basketball Team, Drexler can fully concentrate on winning without any distractions. He might have said that he wasn't thinking about it, but I believe that something like that had to be in the back of his head somewhere. At any rate, Drexler, according to this week's Sports Illustrated is "no worse than the NBA's No. 2 player." Throughout the season, when the Blazers have had to come to Drexler to pull out a win, he has responded. If he can play injuries (primarily a bad right knee) and keep gliding to easy scores, Portland will soar to easy wins.

- Terry Porter can come through in the clutch. Against Phoenix on Monday night, Porter missed three crucial free throws in the closing moments. Usually known as a "Mr. Clutch," Porter must be able to take over down the stretch and convert at the charity stripe. Basically, Porter is yet another critical player for Portland.

1992 is Portland's best chance for a championship. Age is becoming a factor, and one more loss in the finals could permanently damage the confidence of the Blazers. I won't make any predictions, but if Portland follows the game plan, I have a feeling that Oregonians will be celebrating throughout the summer. And, I'm not talking about the Fourth of July.



Photo by Josh Carlton

The sand piles that have been lying near the Activities Building since last fall will be turned into four sand volleyball courts in the next few weeks. The new courts are expected to be completed sometime around May 30.

## Sand volleyball courts to be built

By Mark Helms  
Of The Commuter

Beach volleyball may be a campus past-time by the end of this month if the weather holds, according to Tammi Paul, Student Activities coordinator.

Sand piled high by the softball and tennis courts will soon be the basis of new volleyball courts. Construction will begin soon and should be completed before May 30, according to Paul.

She said the opportunity to include beach volleyball in Linn-Benton's sports program came about when Oregon State University offered to sell the college extra fine grade sand at a special discount. The sand is especially suited for use in volleyball courts because it is soft and not made with cement particles, as is coarser sand. Paul explained it is actual beach sand of the same type that made the sport popular in California.

Final construction funding of \$12,000 for the project came from Student Activities and was finally ap-

proved on April 29, Paul said. The cost of the sand, which she could not estimate in weight or yardage, was \$3,000. It was purchased with student activity fees earlier this year. Another \$12,000 will be spent on construction of the four courts which will be placed between the tennis courts and AC Building. The cost of construction includes digging the courts, drainage systems, borders to keep the sand in, and a sprinkler system. She said the cost seems high but there is a lot more work to the project than first appeared.

"It isn't simply a matter of digging a hole and filling it with sand," she stated.

Cost of nets, balls, stations and other playing equipment will be the responsibility of the Athletic Department, Paul said.

An intramural volleyball tournament is scheduled for May 30, if the courts are complete, according to Paul. If weather causes delays in construction, the tournament will still be held, but will be moved indoors.

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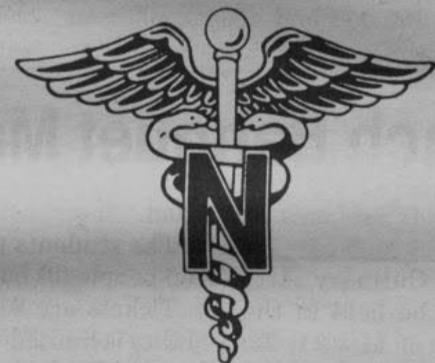
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## sports

## Black athletes must face tough career decisions in sports fields

By David Rickard  
Of The Commuter

Sport has long taken pride at being one of the few areas of American society in which blacks have found opportunity—and equality. But has sport in America deceived itself? Is its liberality a myth, its tolerance a deceit?

Far too many African-Americans wind up on the athletic scrap heap, and those who do make it to the pros are often ill-equipped for life after their careers end.

The blind pursuit for attainment and achievement in sports is having a devastating effect on black communities. Imbued with a belief that the principal avenue to fame and fortune is through sport, and seduced by a win-at-all-cost system that corrupts even elementary school students, too many black kids treat basketball courts and football fields as if they were classrooms in an alternative school system.

In reality, an African-American youngster has about as much chance of becoming a professional athlete as he or she does of winning the lottery. There are 1,250 black professional athletes in the U.S.

Compare that total to a recent Harris Poll that indicated 43% of black male high school athletes believed they are going to play pro sports someday. Something has to give in the sporting law of supply and demand. The tragedy for blacks, however, is that few give in and accept that truth.

The cliché that sports has been good to the black has been accepted by black and white, liberal and conservative, intellectual and redneck. But black athletes disagree.

A 1991 Sports Illustrated poll determined 60% of black professional athletes felt they were not treated as well by team management as whites. Seventy-three percent believed their chances of moving into team management after their retirement was impossible. And 71 percent think that black athletes have to be more talented than white athletes to make a pro team.

The pro athletes that responded to the SI poll have been through the systems; in high school, college, and the minors. They know how a black athlete can be dehumanized, exploited and discarded. Nothing surprises the black athlete anymore after witnessing and participating in this country's last half century of segregation on and off the field.

Yet, are we surprised that only 27 percent of black athletes at the collegiate level earn their degrees?

Are we surprised that blacks comprise only 8 percent of all college students while black athletes make up 56 percent of college basketball teams and 37 percent of football teams?

Are we surprised that in the last 14 months, 25 managers, general managers and club presidents have been hired in the major leagues and only ONE minority was interviewed

for those positions?

Are we surprised that black youths named 15 of their top 25 role models as athletes; while white youths named only three athletes in their top 25, in a poll conducted by the Miami Herald in 1989?

Are we surprised about the riots in Los Angeles?

It's not surprising that black athletes aren't given adequate scholarships for the purpose of education. Most colleges view the black athlete as an indentured servant to the athletic department and at the end of their four years the school severs all ties—they wind up with no degree, no future in sports and often a burden on the crumbling social system.

The burden does not fall solely on the college's athletic departments and academic departments to matriculate the black athlete into the realities of life after sport. Black society must accept and share in the myths they perpetuate and instill in their children. They often peddle their kids to the highest bidder—colleges and agents. When the kids get to college the college is supposed to do in four years what those kids' families and communities haven't done for them. They may give it the college try but the college often fails.

Because sport has always been the avenue to a better way of life for many blacks society looks to sport for much of what it anticipates about race relations in our country. That relationship, at a time when race relations are fractured throughout the country, borders on an escapist, temporary panacea to addressing the real problems that plague the black athlete and the white fan. America is getting what it wants out of sports—entertainment, and that's basically what the black athlete has been providing for White America—entertainment.

It is no coincidence that African-American athletes dominate the endorsement field today. The public, especially the young, are color-blind in terms of viewing athletic heroes. Yet for every Michael Jordan and Bo Jackson, who rakes in \$15 million a year in revenues, there are thousands of former black athletes who invested their lives in sport and the system and instead of finding a return investment through education, or a foot-in-the-door in the white male dominated world of sports after their playing days are over, find a return visit to the ghettos and communities they thought sports would deliver them from.

There is a scene in the movie "Do the Right Thing" in which a young white bigot was asked to reconcile his racist tirades with the fact that Magic Johnson was his favorite basketball player and Eddie Murphy his favorite movie star. "Let me explain myself," he huffed. "They're black, but they're not really black. They're more than black. It's different."



Photo by Mark Peterson

Members of the LB baseball team pass the time between the two games of their double-header with Lane yesterday. LB won both games 6-1 and 5-0.

## LB sweeps Clackamas; makes play-offs

By Joel Slaughter  
Of The Commuter

Linn-Benton officially wrapped up a Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges Southern Division playoff berth last Saturday as the Roadrunners' two Jasons—Olson and Myers—won two games, 2-0 and 4-3 at Clackamas.

In the opener, Olson threw a three-hit shutout to raise his record to an impressive 4-0 as the Roadrunners won 2-0. Ron Dillon led LB on offense, going 2 for 4 with a double and an RBI.

In the second game, Myers gave up seven hits and LB capitalized on two Clackamas errors to squeak by with a 4-3 victory. Todd Morehead and Adam Green had two hits apiece for the Roadrunners.

Yesterday, LB swept the Lane Community College club team, at home 6-1 and 5-0.

LB's Jeremy Beard, 1-1, gave up just two hits, struck out three, and didn't walk a batter in four innings for

the win in the first game.

Robbie Cowden was 2 for 4 with a double.

Todd Morehead had a 2-run double and Jeff Greene was 1 for 3.

Catcher Rob Gubser stole the show in game two, going perfect at the plate with a two-run homer, three walks, two RBIs, and a stolen base.

Bill Pennick pitched three innings of no-hit ball while striking out four to go 1-0 on the season. Ray Thies and Bo Thomas combined with Pennick for a three-hit shutout.

Dave Dickson added two hits, including a double, drew a walk, stole one base, and scored a run for LB.

Hawk said, "It was good to play a lot of people who haven't played in league games."

LB, 14-8 in league, 23-12 overall, finishes their Southern Division play when they host Chemeketa for a twin-bill tomorrow. LB has clinched second place in the division and is preparing for their playoff game against the No. 1 team from the West Region.



Jason Olson



Jason Myers

## Popp leads men to sixth; Grant excels for women in regionals

By Gale Blasquez  
For The Commuter

Men's coach Brad Carman wished that the Roadrunners could have scored more points, but he wasn't disappointed with the men's sixth place and the women's seventh place finish at the Southern Region Championships last weekend.

Andy Popp was the Roadrunner champion in the men's 800-meter run with a time of 1:57.1.

Matt Frketch pole vaulted 14-6, earning a second in the two-day meet, and Josh Bjornstedt's 180-3 javelin throw scored a third. Bjornstedt's place was, "a pleasant surprise," said Carman.

Marc Aiken took a fourth in the hammer with a personal best distance of 150-8. In the shot put, Craig Horton's 43-1 1/2 and Dan Cheeseman's 42-6 3/4 scored fourth and fifth.

For the women, Melanie Grant ran for two second place times running a 2:26.2 in the 800M and 5:05.6 in the 1500M.



Roadrunner Melanie Grant collected second place in the 800M and 1500M at the Southern Region Championships in Pendleton last weekend.

Nikki Edgar jumped for a school record and a fourth in the triple jump with a distance of 33-10 1/2.

The women's 400-meter relay team of Melanie Grant, Nikki Edgar, Terry Cheeseman and Kay Magee ran for a third place time of 52.5.

The Roadrunners finish their season Thursday and Friday, May 21-22 in Oregon City at the NWAACC Championships.

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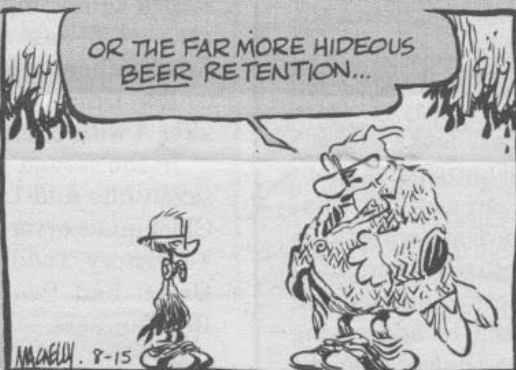
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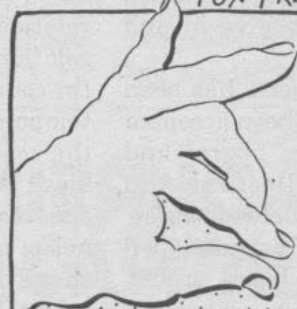


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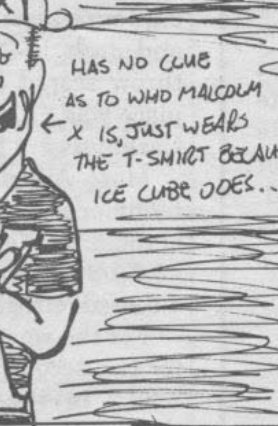
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