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12-year-old fails in bid to study with the big kids

by Craig Hatch
of The Commuter

Twelve-year-old Jack Lloyd of Halsey has lost his bid to be admitted as a full-time student at LBCC.

A discrimination complaint, filed with Office of Civil Rights last year by his mother Monique Lloyd, accused LBCC of not allowing Jack in because of his age.

Although Jack took the college placement exams, which put him in WR121 and MTH111, he had not completed the highest levels of classes Central Linn High School had to offer. The college would not let him attend until he had completed these classes.

Lloyd, who educated Jack at home until high school, filed two complaints with the Office of Civil Rights, claiming LBCC and the community college system discriminated on the basis of age. She also claimed that the current LBCC discrimination policy was wrong not to allow her to file the complaint as a class-action on behalf of all children.

The Office of Civil Rights ruled Dec. 21, that LBCC had not discriminated against applicants under the age of 18. It did, however, find that LBCC's policy for dealing with external discrimination complaints did not meet the state requirements and must be changed.

Lloyd was unhappy with the results. "I'm looking for something in the future," said Lloyd. "I would like to see him (Jack) challenged."

Lloyd was pleased that LBCC would have to accept class-action complaints, but she intends to pursue the complaint by meeting with Senators Mark Hatfield and Bob Packwood, Congressman Pete Defasio, State Rep. Mae Yih, and the Executive Director of the Oregon Community College Association, Roger Bassett. "It's a concern a lot of parents have," said Lloyd about the age requirements. "I'm always looking for more options."

President Jon Carnahan was pleased with the outcome.

"The committee found we did need to provide for individuals on behalf of class or group," said Carnahan, who has undertaken steps to amend the current complaint process. The procedure is expected to be finished March 4.



Photo by Chris Treloggen

Crunch Corner

Two cars and a utility truck were involved in a non-injury accident at Allen Lane and Highway 99 East at the south entrance to campus Monday afternoon. The Albany Police and Fire Department responded to the call at 2:03 p.m. It was the second minor accident at the intersection the same day. The entrance is considered hazardous because of the speed of traffic on the new four-lane highway. Last winter an Albany woman died in a wreck at the intersection. Following that accident college officials and students requested the state highway department install a signal at the intersection, but were unsuccessful.

Students asked for input on changes in AA(OT) degree

by Craig Hatch
of The Commuter

The current Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer Distribution Requirements are under review at LBCC and student and faculty input is encouraged.

The main change in question is the alteration of degree requirements so that students would no longer have to take sequential classes in Arts and Letters, Social Sciences, and Science/Math.

Instead, students would be allowed to take a broader selection of courses, regardless of sequence, in each category. The objective is to make it easier to get classes to complete a degree.

State universities and some community colleges have already accepted this practice and LBCC Curricular Issues Committee is consid-

ering whether to make the change here.

"The business department is for the changes," said Gerry Conner, an economics teacher and member of an ad hoc committee designed to study the issues.

The other members include Evon Bergstrom, Doug Clark, John Griffith, and Doris Litzer.

The committee will consider the impact of the change on transfer students to four-year institutions, transfers to other community colleges, and advisory issues if sequences are eliminated.

The committee will hold open meetings today (Jan. 11) at 2 p.m. in T-213 and Thursday (Jan. 12) at 2:30 p.m. in the Willamette Room.

Students and faculty are encouraged to attend and give their opinions on the subject.

Class designs new Commuter flag

by Amy Radie
of The Commuter

The Commuter has a new flag—the identifying graphic headline on the front page which says "The Commuter"—to start the new year.

Kara Stafford, a second year Graphics Arts major, designed the winning flag. Stafford is one of 20 students in John Aikman's Advanced Type Design II class.

The class assignment was to design three different flags—ultra conservative, jazzy and one they thought had the best chance of winning.

The class then gave a presentation to the Commuter staff who then chose the winning design.

LB closes Monday

All Linn-Benton Community College offices and Extended Learning centers will be closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Monday, Jan. 16. Operations will resume Tuesday, Jan. 17.

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Photo by Amy Radie

Ann Adams, director of Computer and Communications Services, looks over a switching box for the current phone system, which is slated for replacement.

New phone system to give college 'optic' advantage

by Amie Radie
of The Commuter

With the approval of LBCC's bond measure in November, the college's out-dated and out-grown phone system will finally be replaced this year.

LBCC's current phone system is an aging 1970s model that needs "nursing along to make it work," said Ann Adams, director of Computer and Communications Services.

Invitations were recently sent to 47 companies from Portland, Salem, Eugene, Albany and Corvallis to submit proposals for a system that will fit the needs of the college.

The proposals will be evaluated at the end of January and then presented to the board for approval at the February meeting.

Once a company has been chosen and the purchase approved, the work will begin "to customize the equipment so that it fits exactly what our college needs," according to Adams.

The new system will be installed around May 1 at a cost of nearly \$300,000.

The current system has more than 600 extensions operating on six-inch diameter bundles of copper wires.

"Think of all the miles of wiring that has to run all over the campus and has to work every single day," said Adams. "For as long as the college has been here, we've just been adding and adding more wire."

The new fiber optic system will have greater capabilities and allow the use of voice mail, speaker phones, faxes, computer modems and credit card charges for tuition payments.

And instead of that bundle of copper wire, the same number of telephones will now run off of a single piece of fiber optic cable about the size of a pencil lead.

"And all it is, is a strand of glass. How they get that to work is really amazing," said Adams.

Students fire up computers for Albany Fire Department

by Ray Haycock
of The Commuter

Five business students had a chance to put theory into practice recently.

Members of the fall term Systems Design and Analysis class helped the Albany Fire Department computerize its fire investigation records.

Involved in the process were students Jason Moyes, Barbara McGarry, Michael Cripe, Joel Weaver and Ray Haycock.

As part of their class assignment, the group visited the fire station to collect data for preliminary and detail studies in order to develop a proposal to computerize fire investigation reports.

The relationship between LBCC and the fire department began when the fire department desired software to keep track of juvenile arsonists and fire investigation reports.

Shari Chase, an LBCC student who works for the department, has the responsibility of updating the department's computer systems.

Through her investigation, she discovered that there was very little software and few software companies that supported public service agencies.

While attending an LBCC computer class, Chase asked Kitson Yu, Instructor of the System Analysis and Design class, if he knew of any private company or consultants that could program software for the fire department.

Professor Yu suggested that this would be a good project for his Systems Analysis Class.

At first, the group was hesitant about the project, but as they worked more with the fire department and Chase the less they wanted the project to end.

The group determined that an off-the-shelf database software package could be used to computerize the fire investigations.

The studies done by LBCC students helped save the community of Albany between \$600 to \$800 or more of taxpayers' money.

Each of the members of the group received a Certificate of Appreciation from the Fire Department and a letter from Chase thanking them for their help.

As part of her reward, the State Fire Marshal asked Chase to be on the steering committee that will plan the computerization the state fire reporting system.

Salary adjustment will provide relief from Measure 8 for LBCC staff

by Craig Hatch
of The Commuter

A strike authorization vote taken by state workers will have no effect on LBCC employees.

State workers, upset over pay issues and Measure 8—which requires public employees to pay 6 percent of their salary into the retirement fund—voted to authorize a strike if negotiations produce no results.

At LBCC, however, management has taken steps to help alleviate the effects of the measure on its employees.

"This whole thing was settled with the faculty," said Liz Pierce-Smith, head of the Faculty Association. "We feel good about this board and this president."

The deal—negotiated last spring by the LBCC Board of Education, the administration of the college, the Classified Association, and the Faculty Association—provides a salary adjustment to partially offset the effects of Measure 8.

Also, the groups recently agreed to make that money contributed to the fund pre-tax instead of the former post-tax status.

"It doesn't make a lot of difference, but it's enough," said Joan White, head of the Classified Association of the pre-tax adjustment. "Our board and man-

agement has done everything to make it easier on us."

The former agreement dated back to 1979 and provided for retirements in lieu of a pay raise.

"We were disappointed with Measure 8," said Smith. "I think the hardest time was at the beginning of the school year when all of our salaries went down."

Early retirements also increased from five last year to a staggering 13 this year. Many of the retirements came

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—Joan White

as a result of a provision of Measure 8 that negates the use of accrued sick leave to boost retirement pay after Jan. 1, 1995.

"I hate to see talented people leave early because of this," added Smith.

Although LBCC employees are part of the state Public Employees Retirement System, they are not members of the Oregon Public Employees Union, which is the organization currently negotiating with state government over wages and the impact of Measure 8.

commuter staff

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CAMPUS NEWS

Back to School

Theresa Ezell (below) takes Katie Tichenors picture for her student I.D. during a busy first week of winter term. "Hurry up and wait" seemed to be the order of the day as students formed long lines at the Bookstore and Takena Hall all week.



Photo by Chris Treloggen

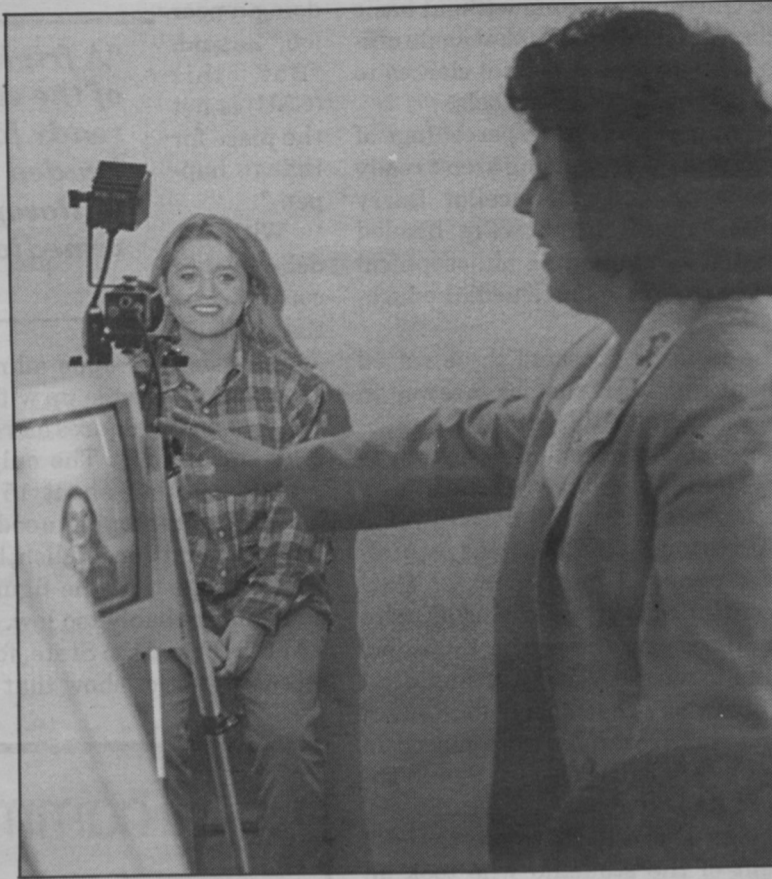


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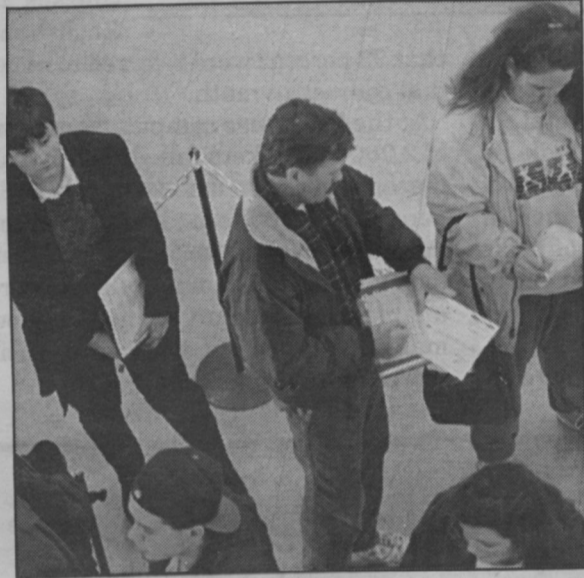


Photo by Carol Rich

Judging team takes first

The LBCC Livestock Judging team took first place in three categories against three other colleges in a contest held recently at Fresno State University in California.

The LBCC team took first place in the overall category, with individual placings as follows: Todd Koch, 2nd; Brenda Tarr, 4th; Jeff Green, 6th; Junior Reyes, 7th; Justin Richardson, 8th; and Tamar Thompson, 9th in individual placings. The team took first place in the sheep category, with Koch, 1st; Green 2nd; Tarr, 3rd; Richardson, 4th; Reyes, 8th. In the swine category, LB took second place with Green, 2nd; Reyes, 5th; Koch, 8th; Tarr, 9th; Rebecca Watkins, 10th.

In the reasons category, the team took first place, with Koch, 2nd; Tarr, 4th; Richardson, 5th; Thompson, 9th; and Holly Cole, 10th.

The other teams competing were Modesto Junior College, Delta, and Santa Rosa Junior College.

campus briefs

European art tour planned

A free informational meeting about a European foreign study tour/class will be held on Sunday, Jan. 15, at 2 p.m. in the Corvallis-Benton County Public Library, 645 NW Monroe Ave., in Corvallis. Chemeketa Community College instructor Lee Jacobson and LBCC art instructor and tour adviser Doris Litzer will accompany "The Best of Europe 1995," a 21-day excursion to Austria, Germany, Switzerland, France, and England. The tour starts from Portland, June 21, returns July 11. Cost for the complete 21-day tour is \$2,974 (plus \$85 tour company membership fee and \$35 airport tax). For more information, call Litzer, 928-2361, ext. 179.

Tutor workshops planned

The Linn-Benton Literacy Coalition is conducting four literacy tutor training workshops in Albany and Corvallis during January. The Training Effective Literacy Tutors (T.E.L.T.) workshops are free and teach people how to be literacy tutors. The two Albany workshops are for people interested in becoming tutors and will be held on Saturday, Jan. 14 and 21, at 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m., in the WEB, Room 116. The first Corvallis workshop is a refresher course for tutors and will be held at the Benton Center on Tuesday, Jan. 17, 7-9 p.m., in room 208. The second Corvallis workshop is open to anyone and addresses "What do I say after I say 'hello'?" This workshop will be held on Thursday, Jan. 19, noon-2 p.m., in Benton Center Room 205. Tutor training is required for Literacy Coalition tutors. For more information, call Marilyn Bervin, ext. 371.

Writing and art wanted

The Eloquent Umbrella, the college's literary publication, seeks creative work. Mail or deliver poetry, prose, art or photographs for consideration to The Eloquent Umbrella, AHSS-108. The deadline for submission is Sunday, Jan. 15. Poetry should be typewritten and single-spaced; fiction or non-fiction prose typewritten, double-spaced, and should not exceed 1,500 words. Submissions should have the name and address on each page on the back of each piece of artwork or photograph along with a short biographical statement. For more information, call Linda Smith, 753-3335.

Phi Theta Kappa seeks to increase activities

by Marie Oliver
of The Commuter

Phi Theta Kappa's newly-elected board of directors gave up a few hours of their Christmas break to brainstorm how to bring the struggling organization back to life.

Plans were hatched to implement several campus-wide drawings for merchandise, to invite speakers on campus once a month, and to initiate an aggressive member-recruitment campaign.

Phi Theta Kappa is the international honor society for two-year colleges and is patterned after and recognized by Phi Beta Kappa, the honorary society for senior colleges. The purpose of the organization is four-fold: scholarship, leadership, fellowship, and service.

Students are eligible to join if they received a 3.5 GPA on at least 12 credit hours and maintain at least a 3.2 thereafter. Participation provides students with the opportunity to apply for scholarships and to have their achievements recognized at the graduation ceremony.

"This year is different from last year because the organization is attempting to expand on campus to reach more eligible students," said President Perry Martin in an interview last week.

But the problem with any kind of organization in two-year colleges is that so many of the students are atypical, he said.

"We realize that a lot of people who go to school at LB are not typical students. They have families, jobs—lots more responsibilities. When they have grades that put them on the honor roll, they should be recognized for that," said Martin.

He said that out of a membership of over 200, only about 20 have attended meetings or shown interest in being active so far.

"We have the largest club on campus—the most members, that is—but also the most inactive," he said.

The board feels that there are two ways to increase participation: increase membership so there are more people to get involved, and to increase the organization's activity so there is something for new members to do right away.

To help increase membership, officers have planned a week of new member meetings. Meetings will be held each day this week at noon in the College Center.

Although participation in activities is not a requisite for membership, it is encouraged by Phi Theta Kappa.

"We're really interested in involving all our members in our activities—understanding that it takes time, but also that everybody has 10 minutes or a half-hour every once in a while to do something for somebody," he said. "You give up your time to help other people and it makes you feel good."

One of the ways the organization has helped others so far—fulfilling the service expectation of the organization—was to participate in a Christmas canned food drive with Students In Free Enterprise (SIFE).

To encourage scholarship among members and campus-wide, the group has planned four brown-bag meetings—one each month beginning in February—where guests will be invited to speak on the honors study topic recognized by the international organization.

This year's topic is "Science Humanity and Technology: Shaping a New Creation" and the first speaker will be Dr. David Bella, professor of civil engineering at OSU. Dr. Bella is very politically active and interested in the "subversion of science" by large organizations.

Further information on this program and future speakers will be announced in the coming weeks.

The group's major fundraising effort this year—providing one of many opportunities for members to practice leadership skills—will be several campus-wide drawings for merchandise. Tickets are on sale now for a \$50 bookstore gift certificate and a \$25 food coupon. The price is \$1 per ticket or \$5 for 6

tickets and may be purchased in the Commons (outside the Commuter office) Monday, Wednesday and Friday at noon or from any Phi Theta Kappa officer.

To fulfill the last tenet of the organization—that of fellowship—the board wants to establish a traditional lunchroom table where members can meet informally each day. Just how to set it up so that the table is easily recognizable to members has yet to be decided.

Other board members are: Curt Hammock, vice president; Steve Weygandt, recording secretary/treasurer; Jessica Kennedy and Cynthia Lambert, co-membership coordinator; Carol Rich, activities coordinator; and Marie Oliver, public relations secretary.

Yet to be filled is the position of fund raising coordinator. Advisors are Rosemary Bennett (x102) and Allan Jackson (x128, 141 or 148).

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Cancer causing agents damaging local water supply

SALEM, Ore. (AP)—A cancer-causing solvent once commonly used by dry cleaners and machine shops has turned into one of Oregon's biggest water pollution problems.

Sweet Home is among the Oregon communities where the state Department of Environmental Quality is trying to track down sources of perchloroethylene. The contamination has been found in five of nine wells in that area.

Often called PCE or PERC, the solvent is known to cause cancer in rats. Federal drinking water standards allow no more than five parts of PERC per billion parts of water.

The Sweet Home wells tested at between 8.8 and 117 parts per billion.

Statewide, the list of contaminated sites keeps growing, said Alicia Voss, the DEQ's project manager in Sweet Home.

In all, Voss said, the DEQ is investigating about 85 sites contaminated by PERC or its close chemical cousins, trichloroethylene and dichloroethene.

In 1989, state officials found PERC concentrations of up to 1,690 parts per billion in wells at the Oregon State Penitentiary that provided water for vehicle washing and other uses.

In 1993, city officials in Lebanon searching for a second source of drinking water found PERC in a well in Century Park, in the middle of town. Last summer, testing in Lebanon revealed 19 wells in the northwest area of the city with contamination of up to 120 parts per billion.

Most of those wells were used only for gardening and irrigation because the residences were connected to the city's water system.

Even that kind of exposure is not considered safe, although the DEQ is leaving the water use decision to homeowners.

DEQ officials are still looking for the source of the Lebanon contamination.

In Nov., they sank four deep wells in the contaminated part of town.

Lebanon project manager Debbie Bailey said that in February, workers will drill another four wells to find the elusive source of the pollution.

"The thing is, we have more than 80 possible sites where the contamination could have originated," Bailey said.

When solvents including PERC turned up in 10 drinking water wells in eastern Multnomah County in 1986, officials traced the problem to the Boeing Co. and the Cascade Corp.

Bruce Gilles, a DEQ cleanup official, said much contamination occurs because of outdated disposal practices that recommended dumping solvents to allow them to evaporate.

At the time, Gilles said, no one knew they would sink with the groundwater instead of evaporating into the air.

CSU may drop tax funded remedial programs

Many new students incapable of completing remedial English, math overload the system

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—So many students are entering the California State University system without basic English and math skills that some officials want to drop remedial classes to ease the strain on the schools.

"A frighteningly large percentage of the students we're getting aren't ready for college," CSU Chancellor Barry Munitz says. "I think we're headed toward a fundamental philosophical crisis in the state on remedial education."

The issue is expected to be raised again at the CSU trustees meeting in Long Beach later this month.

The Cal State system is geared to serve the top one-third of the state's high school seniors. But despite years of effort to toughen admissions requirements, remedial enrollment at CSU has continued to grow—rising by more than 50 percent during the 1980s, according to one university estimate.

Officials say that nearly four out of 10 entering freshmen were placed in remedial English classes at San Francisco State University last year.

At San Diego State, more than 80 percent of the students who took an entry-level math test failed.

Concern about preserving academic quality is nothing new in a system that has long resented its place in the shadow of the top-ranked University of California. But when trustees learned of the extent of remedial education at CSU during their Nov. meeting, a long and unusually passionate discussion followed.

Angry board members expressed dismay that remedial enrollment continued to rise even after the 320,000-student system began requiring a comprehensive set of college preparatory courses for admission in the 1980s.

"After four years of preparatory English and three years of preparatory mathematics, what's happening that the students now fail (entry-level placement tests)?" demanded Ralph Pesqueira, chair of the board's Educational Policy Committee.

Calling remedial education at CSU a "wrong use of taxpayers' money," trustee Marian Bagdasarian said such classes "belong in the community colleges."

Outgoing Lieutenant Governor Leo McCarthy, in his final appearance as a

CSU trustee, said he would like to see all remedial education programs at CSU terminated, and he joined other board members in calling for renewed emphasis on improving public schools.

"We have students we need to help—it's not their fault the K-12 system is doing a poor job," he said. "But this (CSU) is not the place for that to happen."

With the debate set to continue at the trustees' Jan. session, campus administrators are rushing to come up with accurate, comprehensive figures for remedial enrollment at CSU. The only available estimate is that about 15 percent of incoming freshmen need remedial classes in math or English, but officials acknowledge that the figure is out of date and probably too low.

At San Francisco State, for example, recent statistics show that 46 percent

of regularly admitted freshmen were referred to remedial math classes last year; 39 percent had to take remedial English.

Among "special admits"—students accepted through programs for disadvantaged minorities or for athletes—

the figures show that 72 percent of last year's freshmen were referred to remedial courses in English and

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that 73 percent were referred to remedial courses in math.

At the San Diego campus, 53 percent of 2,200 test-takers failed the English placement exam last year, while 81 percent of 4,300 test-takers failed the math test. Not all incoming freshmen took the test, but campus officials were unable to provide an estimate of how many were exempt because of their scores on college-entrance tests.

Local commercial shellfish growers appeal ruling in favor of tribes

SEATTLE (AP)—Commerical shellfish growers have appealed a federal court ruling that gives 15 Northwest Indian tribes the right to harvest shellfish on private lands.

The Puget Sound Shellfish Growers, with 65 members, say the ruling last month by U.S. District Judge Edward Rafeedie allows tribes the right to take shellfish even where private growers have built businesses over generations.

"It means the judge brings ev-

Rafeedie based his decision in part on treaties signed in 1854 and 1855 and ordered the state and tribes to report to him by Jan. 31 with a plan to implement the decision.

Those treaties guaranteed rights of the Indians but said they could not go on beds that were staked and cultivated.

The growers have asked Rafeedie to stay implementation of his ruling until all appeals are exhausted.

Jim Johnson, attorney for United

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everything back to 1854," Bill Dewey of Taylor United, the state's largest oyster grower, said Thursday.

"He doesn't acknowledge the majority of things we do to cultivate shellfish."

Property Owners of Washington, also plans to appeal the ruling. His group includes tidelands owners. And John Hough, senior assistant attorney general, said the state would join any appeal.



SIGN UP NOW:

THE WORLD GAME WORKSHOP

The World Game Workshop will be held in the Commons 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Friday, January 27. Up to 200 people can participate. With the help of an enormous world map a lot of data, music, slides and props, participants create a "microcosm" of world society. About half of the participants are divided into 11 regions of the world, each located on their "home" on the map. Each region has props representing food, energy, natural

resources, technology and military expenditures for their area. Other participants are assigned roles as the media; multi-national corporations; financial institutions; UNESCO; environmental organizations; and World Health Organization.

Sign up now in the Student Programs Office, CC-213 (ext 831). *Even if you don't participate, stop by and observe this great workshop.*

FREE! LIMITED TO THE FIRST 200 PEOPLE WHO SIGN UP.

LBCS is an equal opportunity institution. If you need accommodation for disability to attend, please contact the Student Programs Office, ext. 831, at least 48 hours prior to the workshop.



ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

'The Road to Mecca' passes through Albanyby Jim Eagan
of The Commuter

"The Road to Mecca," an uplifting play about an aging woman's struggle to maintain her freedom, opens Friday at Albany Civic Theatre, 111 W. First Ave. in Albany.

The play, written by South African playwright Athol Fugard, is based on the real-life story of Helen Martins. Martins is a South African widow who, late in life, shocked her conservative neighbors by beginning to build strange sculptures outside her New Bethesda home.

Fugard uses Martins' life as a departure point for a play about the perils—and glories—of choosing to defy conformity.

The ACT production stars Jenalee Santos of Corvallis as Miss Helen; Robert Moore of Albany as Marius Byleveld, the minister who tries to persuade her to abandon her creative life; and Lorraine Beacham of Corvallis as Elsa Barlow who is inspired by Miss Helen.

Performance dates are Jan. 13, 14, 19, 20 and 21 at 8:15 p.m., and Jan. 15 at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$7 general admission and \$5 for people over 60 or under 18. Reservations may be made at Sid Stevens' Jewelers in Albany at 967-8140, or Rice's Pharmacy in Corvallis at 752-7779. Tickets may also be purchased at the ACT box office 45 minutes before curtain. For more information call Albany Civic Theatre at 928-4603.

arts briefs

Art Show at LBCC

Two artists are exhibiting their drawings and sculptures now through Jan. 20 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday in the AHSS Art Gallery. There will be a closing reception for the artists on Friday Jan. 20 from 5 to 7 p.m. For further information contact Patti Robidart Russel at 982-2361 extension 404.

Auditions at ACT

Albany Civic Theatre will hold open auditions Jan. 16-18 for its spring production of "And a Nightingale Sang," a play about an English family during World War II. Director Robert Leff needs four men and three women, ages from 20 to 60 and several of the actors need to be able to carry a tune. Scripts can be checked out from the ACT mail room. For more information call Robert Leff at 752-4568.

OSU Film Festival

The OSU English Department and the Center for the Humanities presents its 17th Annual International Film Series Fridays and Saturdays from Jan. 13 through March 11 at 7 and 9 p.m. each night. Films include "Killing Zoe" from American director Roger Avery, British filmmaker Andrew Birkin's "The Cement Garden," and "Olympic Summer" from German director Gordan Maugg. Cost is \$3 per person, and all films are presented in Gilfillan Auditorium. For information call 737-2450.

Corvallis playwright makes world premier Fridayby Jim Eagan
of The Commuter

"Highway One," a new comedy-drama by Corvallis playwright Molly Cook, makes its world premier Friday at the Majestic Theatre in Corvallis. It is the first production of the Sobrania Players, an ensemble of veteran Willamette Valley actors under award-winning director Ross Jackson.

The play is written in three scenes, each telling a contemporary story set in different locations. The first, "Winterspring," is a comedy that examines the relationship of two middle-aged women, one a free-wheeling artist, the other a traditional married matron. Friends since childhood, but poles apart on various issues, the two find their friendship tested one spring day in rural Pennsylvania.

The second act, "Painted Ponies," is an intimate portrait of a crumbling marriage and the lengths to which love takes us in holding onto what cannot be again.

The final act, "Hot Chocolate," explores families and sibling rivalry, in which two brothers fight over what's

most important to each and come to a resolution of issues.

Corvallis audiences will be the first to see Cook's new play, which was set for an east coast production, but technical problems caused major delays. Cook's writing has been described by one stage, film, and television actress as "Chekhov, but funnier." Her one-woman show "On Our Way to Somewhere" has been seen in New York and Oregon.

The cast of "Highway One" includes: Jim Ambrosek, Clayn Dirx, Marc S. Kemper, and Ron Wright, of Corvallis; Bonnie Hurst of Albany; and Cathy Jo Shippy of Salem.

Production dates are Jan. 13, 14, 19, 20, 21 at 8:15 p.m., and one 2:30 matinee on Jan. 15. Tickets are \$7 general and \$6 for seniors over 60. Reservations can be made at Rice's Pharmacy in Corvallis at 752-7779 and Sid Stevens' Jewelers in Albany at 967-8140. Credit card reservations can be made through The Wright Touch in Corvallis at 753-3577. Tickets may also be bought 45 minutes before curtain. The Majestic Theatre is located at 115 SW Second St. in Corvallis. For information, call the Majestic Theatre at 757-6977.

review

'Interview with the Vampire'—Biting adult horrorby Paul Turner
of The Commuter

When the makers of the movie "Interview with the Vampire" cast Tom Cruise as the chief bad-guy, Ann Rice fans cringed. And so did Ann Rice, who not only wrote the book "Interview with the Vampire" but the screenplay as well. Matter of fact, she never missed an opportunity to slam the studio's decision to cast Cruise as the vampire Lestat. She felt Cruise was just dandy in such epics as "Risky Business" and "Top Gun," but she felt the all-American kid wouldn't make a good blood-sucker.

The movie studio pointed out that there are more Tom Cruise fans than Ann Rice fans—this way both will see the movie.

This is why they call it "show business"—not "show art."

Ann Rice's Vampire Series novels have raised the vampire character from the depths of B-movie fodder to intelligent, sensitive, philosophical predators. Her vampires don't fear crucifixes, wooden stakes or holy water. They do fear the sun, fire and sometimes the horror of what they do to survive.

"Interview" begins in contemporary San Francisco in a small room with a table and a couple of chairs. Christian Slater plays the interviewer and Brad Pitt the interviewee—who happens to be the vampire Louis.

Once Louis convinces the interviewer that he is, in fact, a true creature of the night—he unfolds his tale of darkness which begins 200 years earlier, when he acquired the dark gift from the vampire Lestat.

Louis hates what he has become—a predator that must kill to survive. So, instead of victimizing the young and beautiful humans Lestat craves, Louis drinks the blood of rats. Not pretty. He is in moral conflict with what he is and what he must be.

Lestat and Louis, being the only vampires they know, decide to bring another into the fold. She is a 12-year-old girl named Claudia.

As this child lays dying of disease in her mortal bed, the two vampires drain her blood then let her feed on the dark blood of Lestat. Through this act of sharing she becomes very much a vampire with a lust for blood that rivals Lestat's.

Eventually the vampire triangle becomes strained and Claudia kills

Lestat—for awhile. Off Louis and Claudia go to France to seek out others of their kind in the streets of Paris.

And they do find more of their kind.

By this point in the movie only the most obsessed viewer remembers that there was ever a problem with casting Tom Cruise. He has slipped into his part like a vampire into a coffin. His performance is seamless and one is absorbed by Ann Rice's ability to hang a plot, and forgets that this kid hasn't played a mythical character since "Legend."

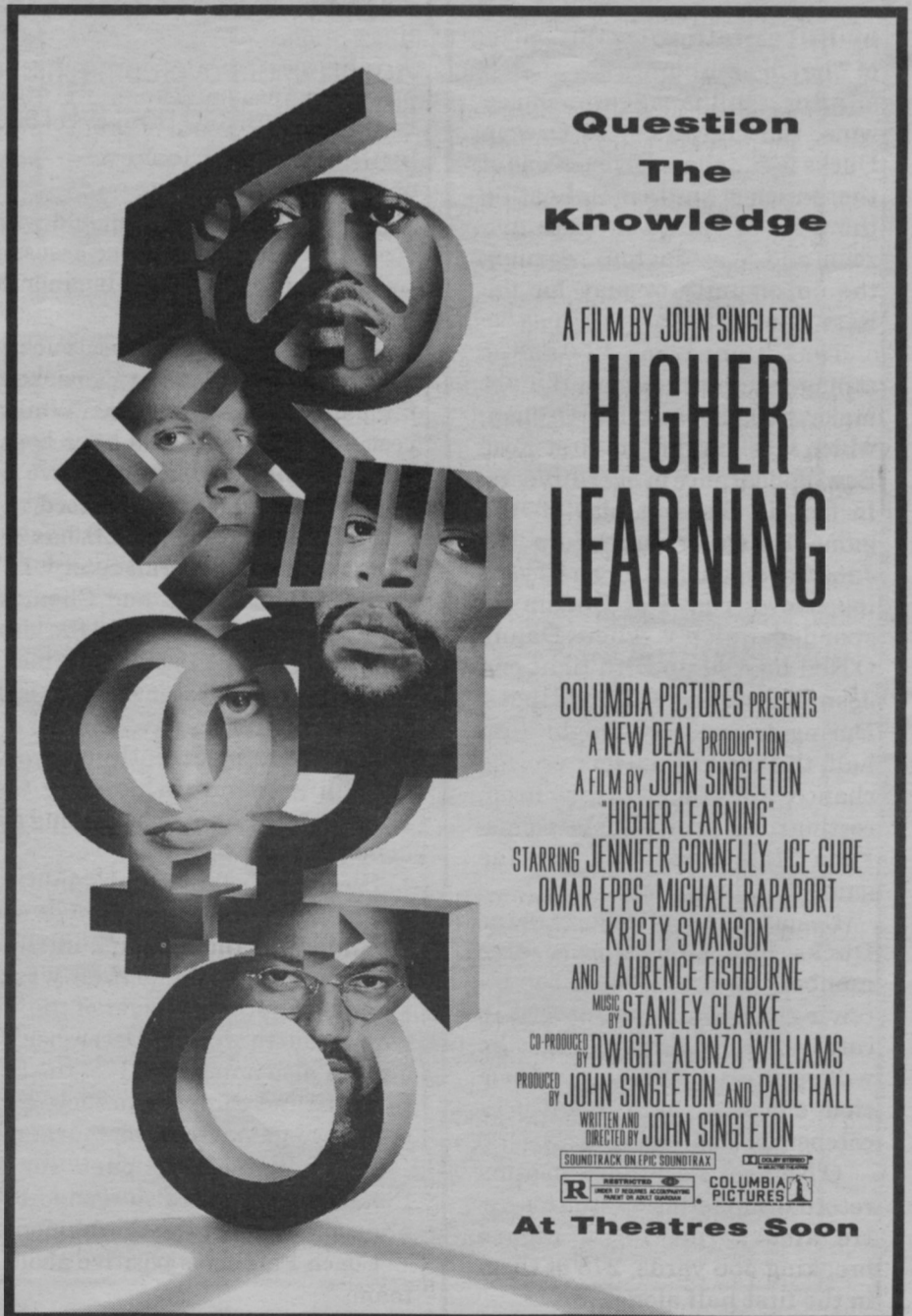
After the screening of "Interview" Rice took out ads in papers all over the country retracting what she had said earlier about Cruise. She changed her mind and now thought that he had successfully embodied the vampire

Lestat, and that the puppy-cute Cruise could act.

And Brad Pitt proves he is more than just the hard-body shown off in "Thelma and Louise." He breathes life into Louis, the repentant vampire.

This is quality, Gothic entertainment—but it is adult entertainment. "Interview" leaves nothing to the imagination when the blood starts to flow and the bodies start to burn. But if one likes a little philosophy with their gore, this is a great fix. The humor works—an amazing transition from page to screen.

"Interview With the Vampire" is rated R for blood so deeply red you can feel its warmth from your seat and a 12-year-old girl doing things no 12-year-old girl should even know about.



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SPORTS

Roadrunners jump out to early season league lead

LB wins first two league games
faces Mt. Hood tonight

by Jessica Sprenger
of The Commuter

The Lady Roadrunners started league play last week with a bang, defeating Southwest Oregon Community College 66-54 Wednesday in the opener for both schools and Portland Community College 63-42 on Saturday.

The Roadrunners are now 2-0 in league and 7-3 overall.

Wednesday night LB had a 10-1 lead to start the game, but by halftime SWOCC had chipped away to close the score 31-26. In the second half SWOCC was able to tie the score a couple of times before the Roadrunners took the lead for good.

Sophomore Lynette Murdock led the team with 20 points. Darci Powell, the lone returning starter from last year's team, added 16 points and also pulled down 10 rebounds.

Freshman Jessica Sprenger grabbed a team high 19 rebounds, blocked six shots and put in 14 points. Kodi Waite dished out seven assists.

Against Portland Freshman Sarah Worden led LB with 16 points and five assists. Sprenger added 14 points and 11 rebounds. Powell was also in double figures with 10 points. Murdock pulled down nine rebounds and Heather Jenkins had a team high six steals.

During the holiday break the Lady Roadrunners went 4-3 in non-league games.



Photo by Carol Rich

Darci Powell drives by her SWOCC defender in the NWAACC league opener. Powell put in 16 points and pulled down 10 rebounds in the Roadrunners 66-54 victory.

Dec. 16-17 LB took second and placed three on the All-Tournament Team at their own crossover tournament.

Murdock led LB with 23 points, while Sprenger pulled down 17 rebounds and put up 15 points as LB defeated Gray's Harbor 70-61 in the opening round of

the crossover. Powell also added 18 point and 11 rebounds, while Waite dished out 11 assists.

Unfortunately, Powell's 18 points and Waite's 10 assists just weren't enough the next day to get by Bellevue, which won the championship game of

the crossover 59-51. Sprenger added 12 points and 13 boards.

Despite the loss Sprenger, Powell and Waite were named to the All-Tournament Team, which also included two players from Bellevue.

Following a break for Christmas, the Roadrunners traveled to Salem for the Chemeketa tournament, where they faced Bellevue again, and again met with the same result, a 67-48 loss. After Bellevue's go-to player Alicia Anema collided with Waite, Bellevue had four players on the floor until Anema could return. Powell led LB with 14 points and 10 rebounds, while Sprenger added 10 points.

The Lady Runners then regrouped in the next game and defeated Portland Community College 71-57 in the second round of the tournament. Powell poured in 28 points, 11 coming from the charity stripe, while Sprenger pulled down a team high 19 rebounds. Worden dished out five assists.

In the consolation final LB went on to defeat Everett 75-53. Again LB played against a team with only four players—with :32 left to go in the first half, Everett's Danielle Waterman fouled out.

Sprenger led the Roadrunners with 33 points, 20 coming in the first half, and 11 rebounds. Powell added 13 points and 10 boards, while Murdock put in 10 points.

The Ladies travel to Gresham to play Mt. Hood Community College tonight and host number one ranked 12-1 and 2-0 Chemeketa Community College Saturday. Both games start at 6.

Ducks earn respect in well-played Rose Bowl

by Bill Chiaffino
of The Commuter

After a brilliant season of key wins, the University of Oregon Ducks found themselves as one of the nation's top teams, beating the likes of Pac-10 favorite Arizona and Washington, earning the opportunity to play for the Rose Bowl title.

The Nittany Lions, 12-0 and no stranger to bowl games, did not make things easy for Oregon, which was making its first Rose Bowl appearance in over 30 years. In fact, in the first play of the game Heisman runner-up Ki-Jana Carter dashed for an 83 yard touchdown run. But Oregon responded quickly when Danny O'Neil hooked up with tight end Josh Wilcox for a 1 yard pass. During the closely fought first half, the Ducks had four scoring chances they failed to cash in on, costing them as much as 20 points. Penn State eventually won the game decisively, 38-20.

Despite the loss, several of the Ducks had some impressive numbers on the day. On the receiving end, McLemore caught 10 catches for 90 yards Wilcox, who will return for the next season, tied a school record with 11 catches for 135 yards.

O'Neil set Rose Bowl passing records completing 41 of 61 tosses. He also threw for a record breaking 456 yards, 278 of them in the first half alone.

Men use holidays to build winning record and head into league play with optimistic outlook

Roadrunners overcome injuries to key players to post 8-3 record

by Jennifer McCloskey
of The Commuter

In comes the new year and with it comes the new term, new classes, new teachers and more Roadrunner basketball.

Many students at LB lost touch with the goings-on of the men's basketball team over the winter break. While the rest of the LB students have been on vacation the Roadrunners have been busy building a winning record.

So far in the league LB has a 2-0 record and a 8-3 overall record. In addition, LB, Lane CC and Chemeketa CC are tied for first place in the league.

There has been some bad luck for the Roadrunners recently; Sean Eaton, the leading scorer and rebounder of the Roadrunners, is currently injured with a hair-line fracture in his elbow. Coach Falk expects Eaton to be playing again in one to two weeks.

However, before Eaton's injury, he was awarded Southern Player of the Week for the second week in December. Point guard Jeff Taylor was also awarded Southern Player of the Week for the fourth week of December. Taylor was also named MVP of the South Puget Sound Clipper Classic—a four-team, two-game crossover tournament.

Kyle Wonderly, post for the Roadrunners, was also named to the alternate team of the tournament.

Coach Falk feels positive about the team.

"The key to overcoming the injuries

on the team," said Falk, referring to Sean Eaton, Aaron Mickey and Clayson Whitney, "is our bench and how well they have played under the pressure. Our winning mentalities have been instrumental to our success."

Some outstanding players, according to Falk, have really stood out since the injuries. Chris Swallom has been a key three-point shooter, Greg Obrist came on strong against SWOCC and Aaron Mickey, before he was injured, against South Puget Sound.

"We are on a five-game winning streak right now and each game has been a positive stepping stone."

—Coach Randy Falk

Falk also felt that the most outstanding game was against Highline CC in Washington.

"That was an important win for us because it was the first win since Sean's injury," Falk said. "It set a tempo of what needed to be done in order to win."

Falk feels not enough of the season has gone by to predict the future, but he did add, "We are on a five-game winning streak right now and each game has been a positive stepping stone."

The next Roadrunner game is tonight against Mt. Hood CC at 8 pm in Gresham.

"Their record is 1-1 in league but the team is better than the record shows," Falk said. "They will play hard on their home-floor, they are going to pressure the ball immediately and I feel we will respond appropriately to the pressure. It will be a well-contested ballgame."

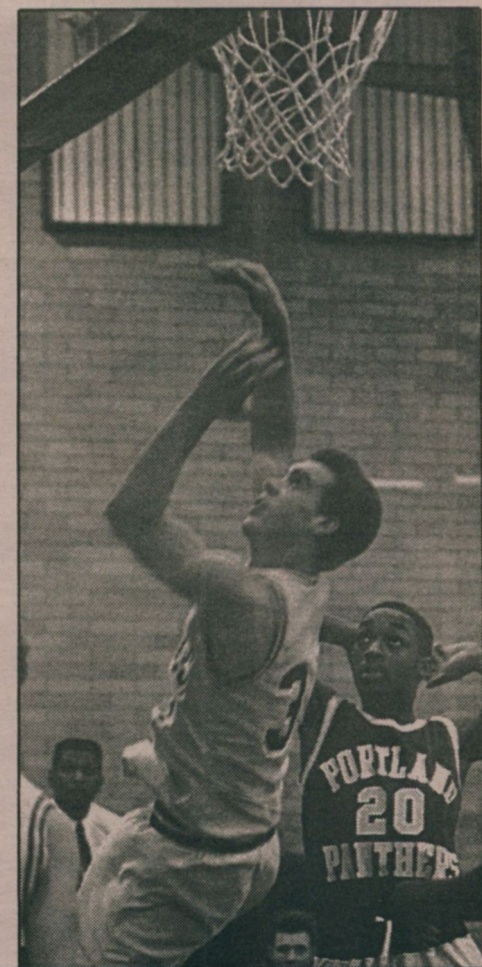


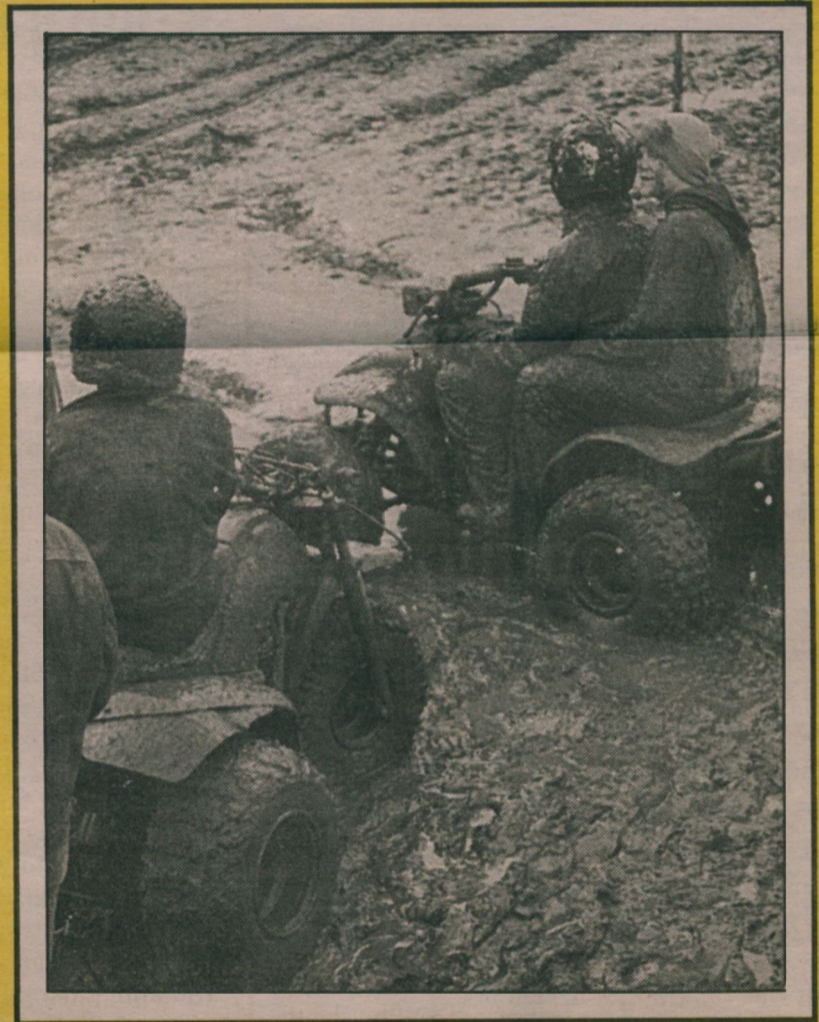
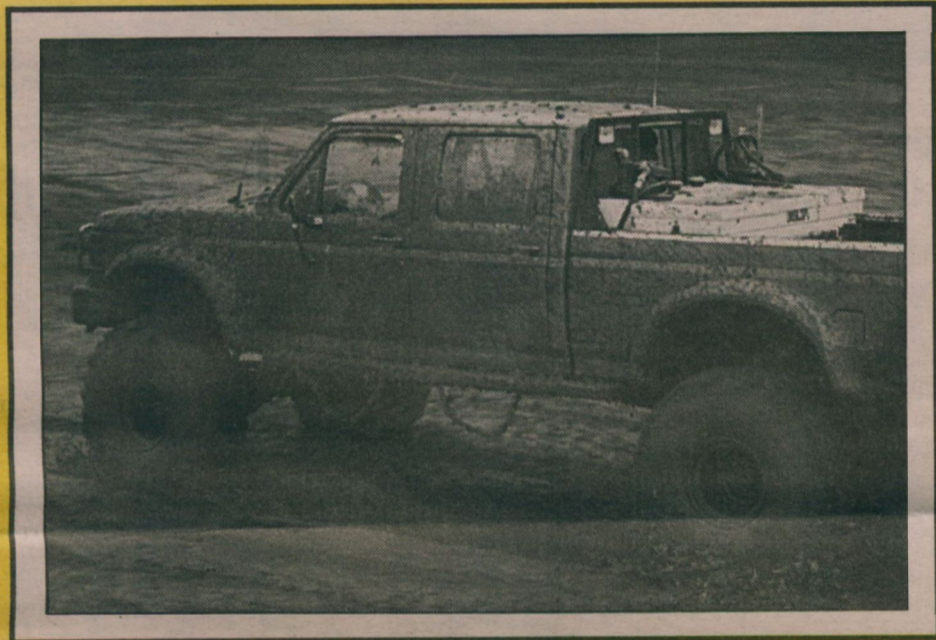
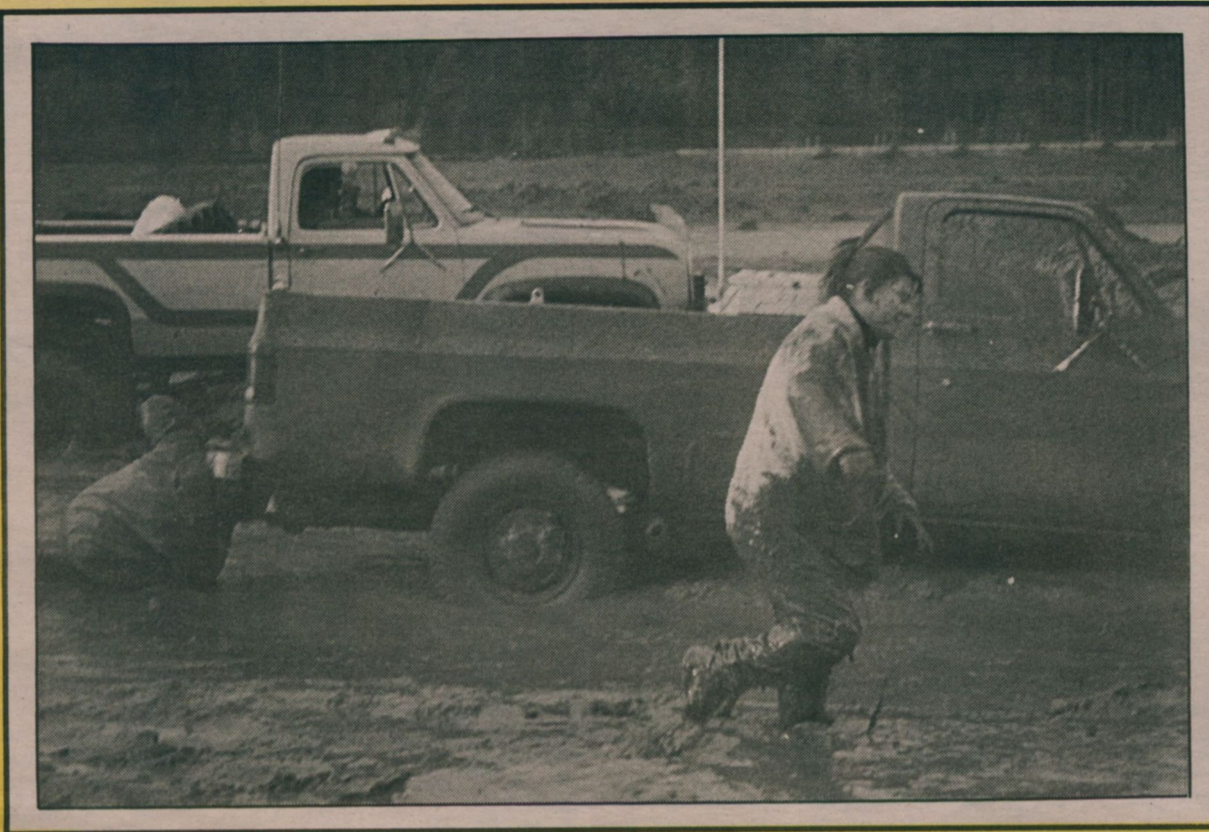
Photo by Carol Rich

Roadrunner Greg Obrist goes up for two points against PCC Saturday.

Mud Bowl

The annual Foster Mud Flat Races drew about 5,000 people to the east end of Foster Lake Saturday as hundreds of trucks, jeeps, cars and three-wheeled ATVs reveled in the muck created by the recent rains and the sludge on the drained lake bottom. The objective of the unorganized event seemed to be to get stuck in the muck and get pulled out by a fellow mudder. By all accounts, a slimy time was had by all.

Photos by Chris Treløggen,
Commuter Photo Editor



OPINION

soapbox

'95 brings chance to mend fences

by Marie Oliver
of The Commuter

It's tough to have to start the new year with a mea culpa, but since new years are good for starting over, it seems appropriate to get my apologies over with.

I'm guilty of giving in to my baser instincts by glibly going for the juggler in my response to Corl Scott's letter last issue. May I chalk it up to my need for end-of-term stress relief? I refer to my comment that you'll not see me supporting any "conservative" causes and my invitation to conservatives to write in and "hang themselves with their own noose."

I was using what psychologist John Bradshaw refers to as the "lizard" part of my brain—the part we started out with umpteen million years ago before we grew feet. Were I able to back up and use my intellect instead, I would choose to undo those words—they accomplished nothing except to make me feel better for awhile. Sorry, Corl, your thoughtful letter deserved a little better than I dished out.

One thing I'm always stressing in conversations with friends is the necessity for our society to stop labeling each other. Labels are divisive and accomplish nothing. They build fences around us and make it more difficult to communicate with one another.

There are many people out there who call themselves conservative that I vehemently disagree with. But I also realize that not all conservatives think alike—just as not all liberals think alike. Although I can see why someone would get that impression, it was not my intention last issue to imply that all conservatives are "radical." My aside about radical conservatives was meant to point at the fact that the names we call each other (and ourselves) really don't tell us much.

What does it really mean to be a conserva-

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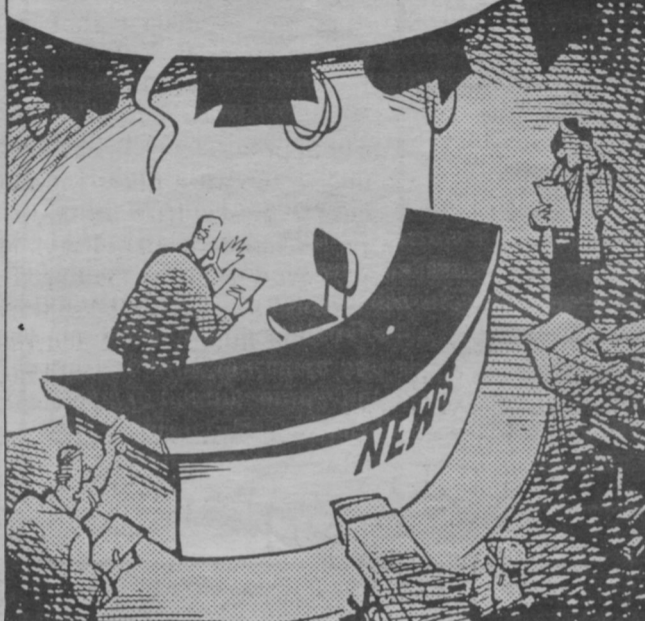
tive? When someone with the accepted "conservative" viewpoint that a woman should not have the right to choose abortion murders a doctor because he performs abortions, can we really call that person a "conservative?" I don't think so—that person has chosen a very radical position. Conversely, let's look at a "liberal" environmentalist who feels so strongly about stopping the cutting of our forests that s/he decides to drive iron stakes into the trees and loggers are injured as a result—does that mean all liberals are going to agree that action was advisable? Presumably not.

It's so natural for us to want to label ourselves—but the fact is, each and every person comes to their own set of beliefs by going down their own particular road. It's always hard to listen to people we don't agree with, but it is unfair of me to invite dialogue with half of my mouth and spew unthoughtful judgmental responses with the other half.

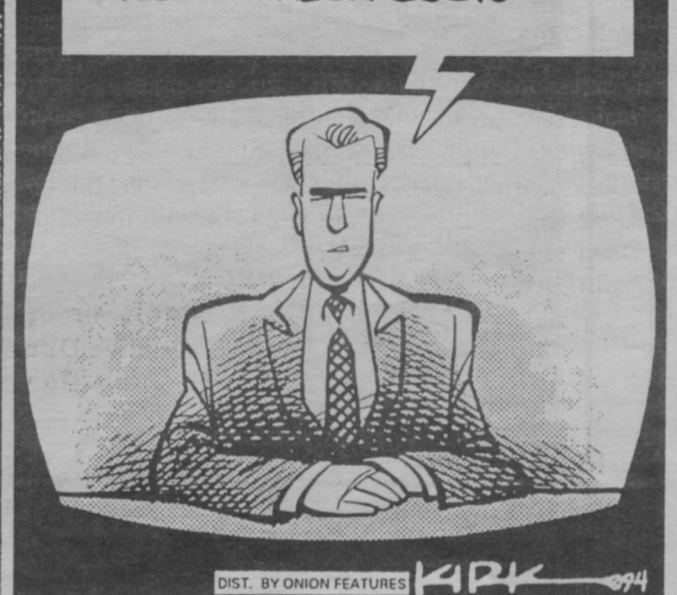
That I hold pretty strong beliefs about how the world should be there is no doubt. But I didn't come to college with all the answers—I came instead with truckload of questions. My hope is that I'm not the only one willing to explore the questions without our egos getting in the way.

So let's make 1995 a year to open our minds. It's time to shift our paradigms—to stop boxing ourselves in with labels and other divisive smokescreens. Personally, I intend to look for other ways to relieve my stress than to go for the adrenaline rush of a well-worded upper cut to the right.

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ellen goodman

Killing becomes the bigger crime for pro-lifer

Brooklyn, Mass.—Suddenly it's in our back yard. Not Pensacola, Florida. Not Wichita, Kansas. It's in Brooklyn, Mass.

Suddenly the scene of the crime is not in some isolated abortion clinic building on Southern highway or a strip mall. It's on Beacon Street, along the Boston Marathon route, two minutes from my front door.

This time it's not Michael Griffin. It's not Paul Hill. The suspect is another man, John C. Salvi 3rd, handsome, curly-haired, clean shaven, dressed in black. This time the murder victim isn't even a doctor or a clinic escort. It's two young receptionists. This time seven people in all are shot.

The violence has come home, big time.

Friday morning started out like the other mornings in a suburb that has three clinics located within two miles. As usual there were protesters in front of 1031 Beacon St.; women praying, a man with the video camera. Some we know by sight.

Maybe the edge of danger that has sharpened nationally with the escalation clinic violence was dulled here by familiarity.

Many of my neighbors and fellow commuters have learned to walk by the protesters in front of Planned Parenthood on their way to cleaners or the bakery or the train stop.

But, after rush hour, Salvi allegedly walked into the clinic where they do pap smears and gynecological exams, where they perform abortions and where they are testing the pill RU-486. It's said that he took a rifle out of his black gym bag and began shooting. Killing Shannon Lowney and wounding three others.

Leaving bodies, chaos, death and terror behind, he then apparently drove to his next stop at 1842 Beacon St. And there, in a building I know from endless visits to my child's orthodontist, the man went to another reception desk.

He asked Lee Ann Nichols, "Is this Preterm?" The last thing this 38-year-old woman ever said was "yes." He killed her, wounded a secretary, wounded a security guard, shot at people on the street, and took off.

As the police helicopters circled the neighborhood looking for a serial assassin, as bodies were carried out of two clinics, as the man identified as John Salvi 3rd headed south to Norfolk, Va. where he was arrested, a pro-life spokesman offered up the usual suspect.

"These are not pro-life activities," said Teresa

Donovan of Massachusetts Citizens for Life. "They obviously are the actions of a deranged individual."

Michael Griffin? A deranged individual. Paul Hill?



A deranged individual. The serial assassin of Brooklyn? A deranged individual.

How many deranged individuals does it take to make a conspiracy? How many deranged individuals does it take to make a movement?

In the past decade clinic violence has spread across this country like an ideological virus. It's risen in virulence as well, escalating on the power of its own rhetoric.

The death threats and the stalkings became firebombings and invasions. The wounding of one doctor became the murder of another and another and now the murder of two clinic workers.

Each time pro-life people have claimed that the killer was a loner, a deranged individual, an outsider. Pro-choice people have hoped that there would be no replacement, no copy cat.

But the truth is much more menacing. The mainstream pro-life rhetoric that calls abortion murder has led many, step by step, to the "logical" conclusion that killing a "killer" is justifiable homicide and that murder to prevent "murder" is morally right.

When Paul Hill, now sitting on death row, was asked if his actions would incite others to anti-abortion violence, he said, "Indubitably." When asked if Jesus Christ would have pulled the trigger, he said, "absolutely."

Since the Supreme Court reaffirmed the legal

right to abortion, frustrated pro-life leaders have gone from trying to make abortion illegal to trying to make it impossible is fear: harassing women who choose abortion and harassing the clinics, doctors and workers

who provide them.

It's not surprising that as the whole army moves toward the extreme, a flank will carry the message over the edge. Are these deranged individuals or are they true believers of a movement that has lost the right to call itself pro-life?

We will soon know about the suspect, his mind, his motives. But with yellow police tapes strung across two doorways on Beacon St., I know enough to be chilled to the bone. First doctors, then escorts, now receptionists. First Wichita, then Pensacola, now Brooklyn. How many 'deranged individuals' are there among the familiar protectors in your neighborhood?

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OPINION

letters

Express Yourself

Conservatives angry at editor

To the Editor:

As conservatives, we took great offense to your response to Corl Scott's letter. To not promote "conservative" causes is one thing and is entirely within your right, but to "bash" us conservatives by calling us radical and then to say that it is our right to hang ourselves with our own nooses, was totally insensitive, tactless and rude and demonstrates a lack of maturity and professionalism. Not all conservatives are radical, some of us are pretty nice people. It seems to me that your statement is a good example of just how radical the liberals are.

Sincerely angry,

Marie L. Holliaugh
Lance Dunn
Janis Howe

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marla's musings

New Year encourages necessary reality check

by Marla J. Lawrence
for The Commuter

With the advent of a new year—as well as a birthday that comes along just when the holiday "glow" blows a fuse—it's time for my annual reality check: the customary self-assessment that's become almost as much a tradition in my household as silly hats and sparkling cider.

While I don't always know where I'm going, I'm happy that I'm not where I've been—and that this year I've finally made some progress toward a brighter future.

I just completed my third year of sobriety. Probably no one but another ex-drunk can fully appreciate the miracle of being able to face life without benefit of anesthesia, but you can take my word for it.

I was never the kind who had to have a snootful just to get the blood pumping in the morning; I just didn't know how to get through the bad times—or the good ones, for that matter—without crawling inside a bottle to protect myself from the emotional intensity of the experience.

Ironically, I not only did NOT come off the pool once I stopped numbing myself, I actually gained a measure of sanity (though some readers may question it at times) and in the process learned to see myself as a competent human being, which—among other things—means I'm entitled to stand up for what I think is right.

I've also become comfortable enough in my own skin that I no longer feel compelled to change, or apologize for, my principles merely because they're unpopular. I've lived long enough and seen enough of the world to be reasonably sure of my convictions. While I'm certainly willing to listen to a different point of view if it's well-reasoned, it would take a lot to change my mind.

Another thing I've discovered is that doing something badly isn't the eighth deadly sin. Last term my near-perfect academic record took an unexpected (not to mention undignified) tumble thanks to the five-credit chemistry class in which I barely eeked out a "C" despite my best efforts to grasp the subject. But while I never did get the hang of balancing chemical reaction equations, I CAN explain to my 12-year-old the scientific reasons why it's necessary to use soap and hot water to get the grease out of the skillet.

Actually, that "C" is a pretty good metaphor for this particular stage of my life: it's a little sloppy and it looks lousy on paper, but it doesn't reflect the effort I've put in or how much I've actually learned.

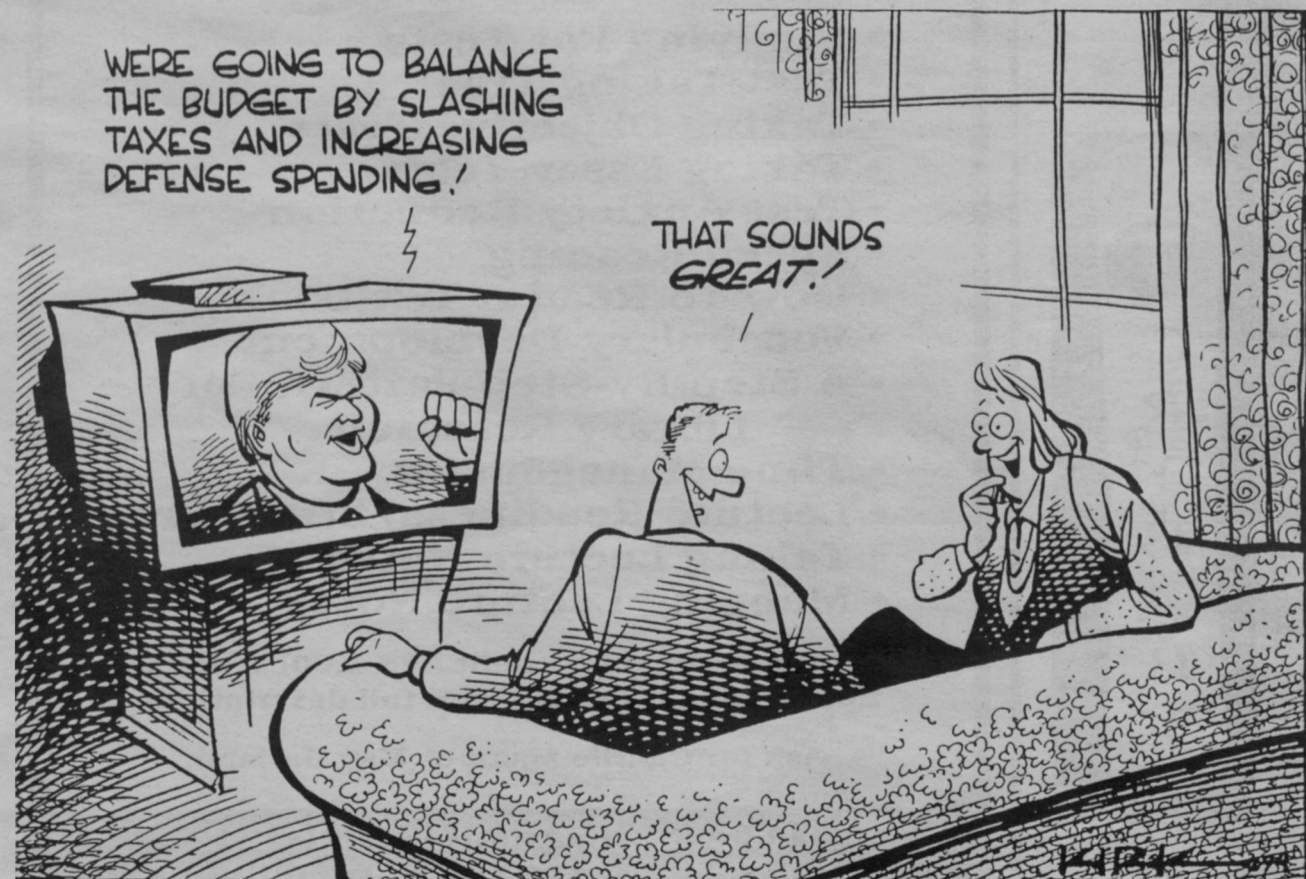
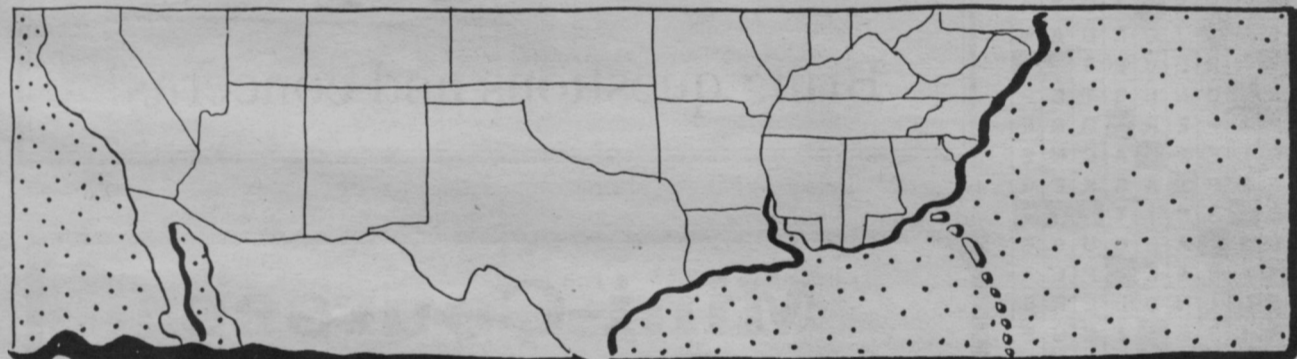
Best of all, I'm ready to let go of past failures and move ahead with my life. It's so easy for those of us who suffered some form of abuse or neglect as children to wrap ourselves in the familiar shroud of victimhood, mistakenly believing that it will shield us from further pain when in reality it makes us more vulnerable.

Sooner or later we find the world is a lot like the playgrounds of our youth where the smallest and weakest children served as prey for schoolyard bullies. We either allow ourselves to be further victimized, or we deny ourselves the luxury of self-pity and take the responsibility for our lives into our own hands.

Of course, it's a challenge not to feel just a wee bit sorry for myself when the low-octane DNA I inherited from my foremothers frustrates my efforts to lose weight, which is this year's project.

But I'm not going to let my genes get in the way of my desire to look and feel better, any more than I'll allow myself to be a victim again—even if my current socio-economic status does put me on Newt Gingrich's hit list.

Happy New Year.



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EXPRESSIONS

What
we had
was not
chemistry.

It was physics.
Was energy and
matter enlivening
corporeal worlds,
delicious in form, embracing
abstraction. Atoms melded
in a gleeful tickling of inner
dimensions.

Was the electric swift flow of charge,
high voltage, amperage low.
A crackling dynamic of living sparks
arced a radiance of thunderous trembling.
No need for special effects;
We conjured our own magic.

Was the power of nuclear fusion. In
our splendid recklessness we neglected
to call Jane Fonda, verged on notifying
China, For surely we were heading for a
meltdown...

Was space and time.
We whizzed through all that
elementary stuff,
Skipped to advanced theory.
Albert had nothing on
our higher math;
Equations of burning
insolvability
transcended Joy
and wonder.

was
light
searing
magnificent
thresholds
beyond natural
laws. Our
our brilliance
defied metaphysics
as we roared through
the cosmos at light's
speed times the speed
of light
trailing stars...

Deb Singleton

Ann Woods
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A place to be yourself...

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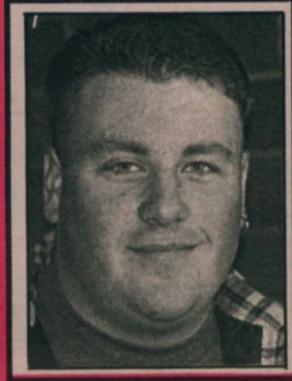
THE LAST WORD

you said it

What do you feel was the most significant news event of 1994?

Probably the war in Bosnia because war is always a big event when it happens. It shouldn't happen, it tears up peoples' lives. It's an important event especially if Americans have to go and fight and die.

Seth Carter, Lebanon
First year, Music



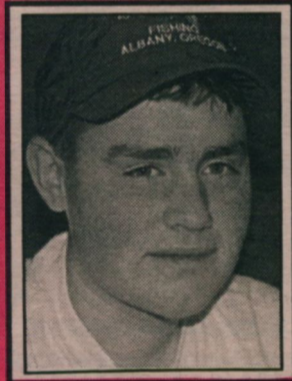
The scandal with Kerrigan and Tonya Harding was a pretty big thing. It sort of reminds us that even big-time people can act like children and cause trouble.

Jennifer Overholser, Corvallis
Second year, General Studies



No World Series game...greed held it up. I think they should have played. The players and owners should have settled. That was stupid just to stop the season...it's not like they're not making enough money already.

Chad Pope, Albany
First year, Culinary Arts



Michael Jackson got married to Elvis Presley's daughter. It probably didn't have anything to do with the molestation allegation. I don't watch the news that much.

Jon Smith, Corvallis
First year, Accounting



OJ! It covered every channel for months. It was a big story because he was such a famous football star. And because he is black and she was white there are racial connotations. I saw some coverage on it this morning...it's still going on.

Jennifer Launious, Lebanon
First year, Business



they said it

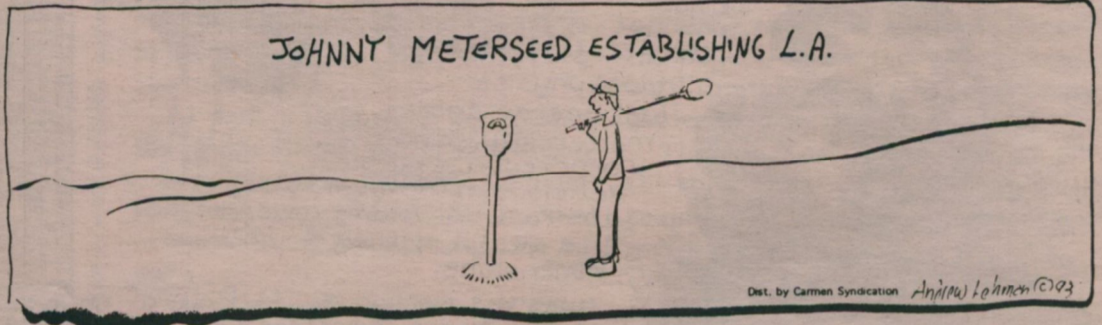
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We all have the right to call each other names. Rudeness is a deeply held constitutional value.

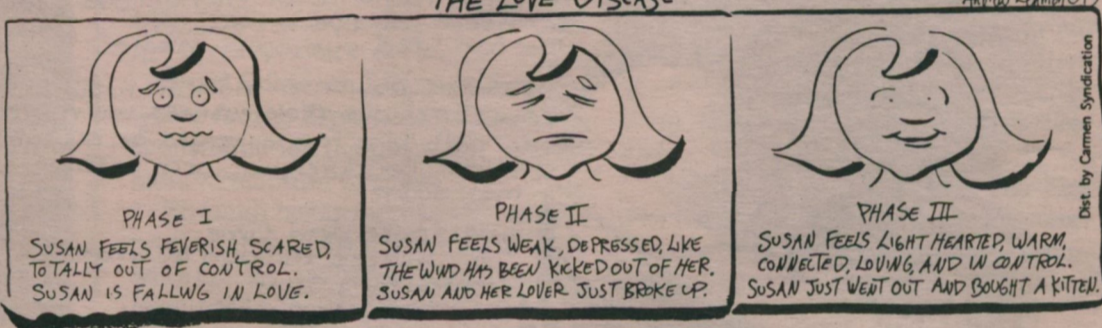
—Barney Frank

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Crossword 101

" Farewell 1994 "

By Gerry Frey

ACROSS

- 1 '94 Speaker elect
- 5 Type of wine
- 10 Took a dip
- 14 Sheltered side
- 15 Mr. Lauder
- 16 Follows May or flag
- 17 '94 obit notice
- 19 A little bit
- 20 Total
- 21 Article
- 22 '94 newsworthy nation
- 24 Resolve
- 26 Substantiates
- 28 Type of car
- 30 Beginners dance
- 33 Turns ashen
- 36 Term _____
- 38 Pay dirt
- 39 Dry
- 40 French city
- 41 Teen problem
- 42 Peter and Paul, e.g.
- 43 More at liberty
- 44 Inquirer
- 45 Crumpet
- 47 Expectorate
- 49 Swamp
- 51 Stimulate
- 55 Cowardly
- 57 Composer Thomas
- 59 Pod resident
- 60 Italian unit of currency
- 61 '94 Best Picture " _____ List"
- 64 Middle east prince
- 65 Get up
- 66 Playwright William
- 67 Hidden taxes ?
- 68 Solemn
- 69 _____ of March

DOWN

- 1 Spanish nothings
- 2 Slur pronunciation
- 3 Cheer's Peterson

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- 4 Oolong, e.g.
- 5 Roosted
- 6 Tennis great
- 7 Trample
- 8 _____ Lingus
- 9 '94 Best Supporting actor Tommy _____
- 10 Steeples
- 11 '94 reunion site
- 12 Claudia _____ Johnson
- 13 Average
- 18 Follows Black or Beverly
- 23 Finished
- 25 Tip-____:Walked quietly
- 27 Some cowboys
- 29 Binges
- 31 Sea bird
- 32 Coequal
- 33 Yesterday
- 34 Comedian Johnson
- 35 '94 bride
- 37 Pub offering
- 40 '94 NCAA basketball champs
- 41 Reference words
- 43 Bus charge
- 44 Broadcasted
- 46 Lids
- 48 '49er ?
- 50 Indian master
- 52 Overturn
- 53 Suit material
- 54 Comforts
- 55 Musical symbol
- 56 Frost
- 58 Get up
- 62 _____ magnon
- 63 Caesar's 52

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