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## Chopper Doctors

Paramedic Bill Upson looks on as Nurse Sara Evenson explains methods of aeromedical evacuations to local paramedics outside the Activities Center. These two, along with pilot Kent Mosser, demonstrated and discussed such things as the proper criteria to get a helicopter activated and keeping the patient calm while in flight. The helicopter attracted a lot of attention from students when it swooped onto campus Monday afternoon.

## Earth Week to showcase local options

By Sean Tate  
Of The Commuter

Earth Week at LBCC will feature activities, displays, demonstrations, sales and speakers in an effort to raise the environmental consciousness of students, faculty, staff and the surrounding community.

"People need to become aware," said Carol Trueba, one of the organizers of Earth Week on campus.

Activities planned for the week of April 16 include a flag presentation and a tree planting in conjunction with opening ceremonies featuring LBCC President, Jon Carnahan, and Richard Wendland, LBCC board chairman.

The horticulture department will be selling white oak trees at cost in an effort to spark interest in the need to plant trees.

Art contest entries will be displayed in the library during Earth Week, and various showcases around campus will address environmental issues.

In an effort to reduce the number of cars driven to campus each day, a carpool challenge is planned.

A "Graphic Garbage" demonstration will take place in the quad to show the daily garbage production at Linn-Benton before and after recycling.

A workshop entitled "Adventures in Recycling," is scheduled in cooperation with Systems Services (campus sanitation), offering people a chance for a new perspective on recycling from a 'hands on' point of view.

Speakers during the week include: Mike Kopetski, Oregon House of Representatives candidate; George Atiyeh, an ex-logger speaking on the preservation of Opal Creek; Bob McDermot, history professor from OSU, speaking on environmental ethics, and Carolyn Lebsack, LBCC science teacher, with a talk on marine debris.

The biology department is scheduling "human impact walks," in and around campus to show the effects of human presence on the earth. Representatives from the Sierra Club and the Audubon Society have been invited to participate in Earth Week activities.

## Controversy arises at PCC student newspaper

By Arik Hesseldahl  
Of The Commuter

Portland Community College's student newspaper, The Bridge, is under fire from the PCC student government which says it is guilty of racism, too interested in covering community news, and too tightly controlled by too few.

During budget discussions last month, PCC's student budget committee gave The Bridge two options: 1) adhere to a list of demands and receive \$45,000 in operation revenue for 1990-91, or 2) ignore the demands and receive \$13.

The original request by The Bridge was for \$72,814, from which an estimated \$32,000 in additional revenue would be generated through advertising.

Among the demands, the strongest was the call for the immediate resignation of Reid Iford, and the requirement that all staff members be students carrying more than three credit hours.

Student government representative, David Dix's main complaint, which reflects the views of several other student government members, is that The Bridge is continually negative toward the student government and the college in general.

"They're simply putting out a bad paper," Dix said. "As I look through it, I can't find any student profiles, names are misspelled, and all the letters to the editor are calling for apologies by the staff. It's just like the National Enquirer."

Dix also complained about the perfor-

mance of Bridge general manager, Oren Campbell, saying that he exercised more authority than his position called for.

This complaint has Campbell puzzled. "Since I don't assign stories, I don't understand what they have to complain about. I am in charge of the business side of the newspaper. Since most of the people in this staff have come to us without even one course of journalism, I am also responsible for training the editorial staff to operate the paper. I seldom disagree with what the editor says or decides, and when I do, I keep my mouth shut. I just don't understand why they think the way they do."

Iford, and Editor-in-chief, Betty Bar-

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# Owl needs more space, report's author says

By Lamar Sylten  
Of The Commuter

A writer who contributed to the recently released federal old-growth conservation report told an OSU audience last week that existing management plans are leading to the extinction of the Northern Spotted Owl.

As part of OSU's "Earth Day 1990" program Dr. David Wilcove, senior ecologist of the Wilderness Society, spoke to about 300 people at the LaSells Stewart Center in Corvallis. The talk was sponsored by the US Environmental Protection Agency and OSU.

"We need better protection of old growth forests to preserve a viable population of spotted owls throughout the Northwest for the long term future," stated Wilcove.

Of the remaining 40 percent of original old growth habitat, only eight percent is protected in national parks and monuments.

"Seventy-four percent is in the national forests, with the remainder on BLM lands. Old growth habitat is being lost to logging at a rate of 71,000 acres a year in the Northwest," he said. Virtually all suitable habitat on private lands are gone, he said, which leaves the US Forest Service to manage the remaining old growth forests.

The 1976 National Forest Management Act has put the emphasis on the protection of biodiversity on USFS lands. However, "the act has many loopholes and is very vague,"

claimed Wilcove. Along with other scientists, Wilcove believes that the Forest Service management plans are inadequate in protecting forests.

"These national forests have been used for timber production, mining and grazing, without much concern to the impact on the ecosystem. The first alarm signaling problems with our old growth forest is the spotted owl."

Wilcove pointed out that the spotted owl is very sensitive needing large tracts of undisturbed old growth.

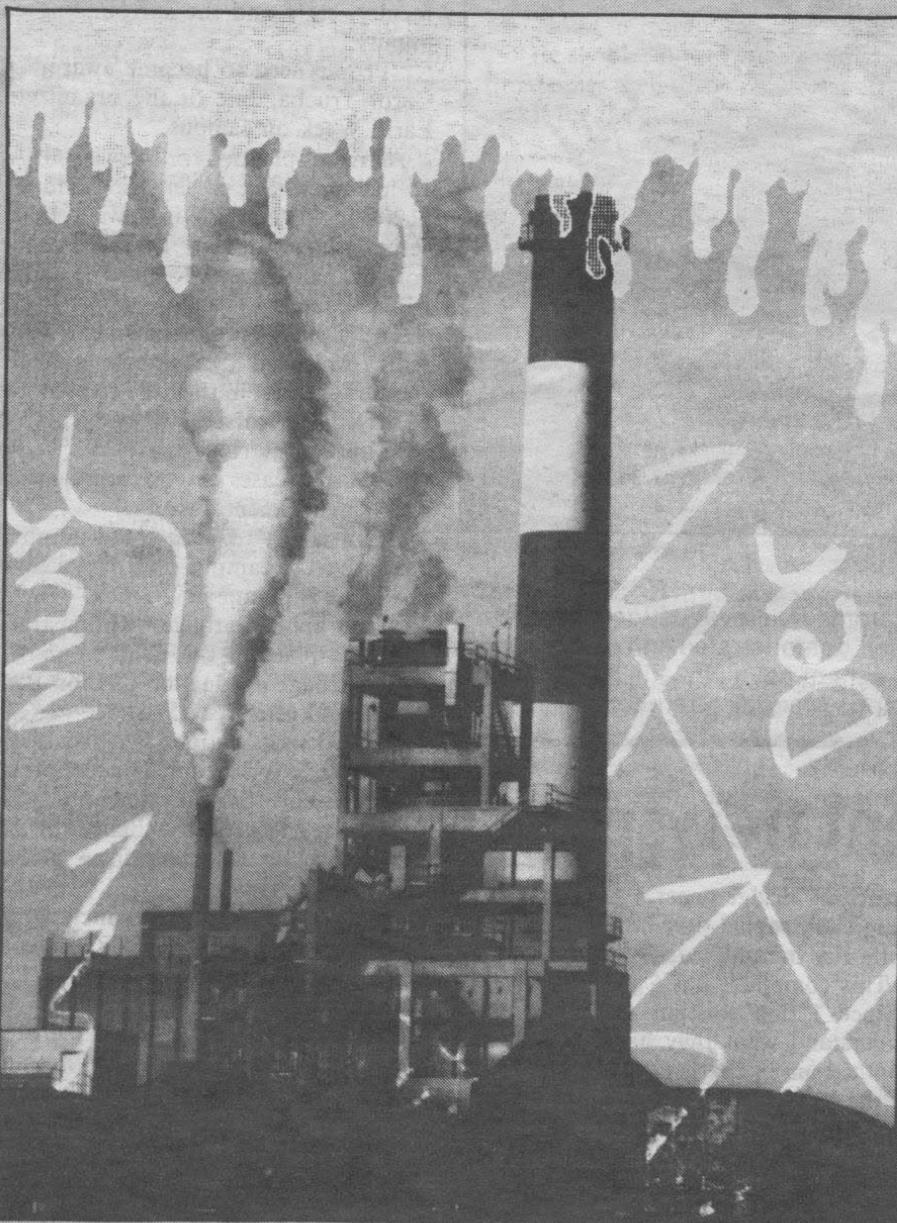
"Some spotted owls have been found in second growth with remnant patches of old growth, but are seldom found in younger stands. With increased fragmentation of our forests by clear-cut logging practices, the remaining spotted owls are at greater risk by splitting the population and increasing predation."

Wilcove also blamed the USFS, stating that the habitat set aside was too small and too few.

"On the Olympic Peninsula of Washington State, only 15 percent of suitable habitat has been set aside," he said. Evidence given by Wilcove shows owls in that area require 4,000-5,000 acres of old growth per pair, while only 3,000-acre tracts were set aside.

The ecologist wants to see logging slowed and increased protection of old growth to ensure the future existence of spotted owls. "I want to see 100 percent probability of survival for the next hundred years. The current outlook for the future of spotted owls is good for the next 20 years, with a low chance of extinction over a 100 years."

## PHOTO GALLERY



### Industrial Air Freshener

Photography student Eron Witzel used a combination of overlays and a traditional negative of a mid-valley mill to make this visual statement about air pollution.

## International talks begin today

By Chris Turpen  
Of The Commuter

A service provided by the Intercultural student services is trying to breach the gap between foreign students and their educational needs.

The person responsible for the smooth operation of this program is Charlene Fella. This first year program was started "In hope that cultural education would be achieved by getting to know and hear students from other countries." The long term goals of the program are, according to Fella, to make international students successful in their educational endeavors and to make our students and staff be more global in their thinking. It will also assist in easing relations between students.

One of the benefits of this organization is that the student must spend a certain amount of time speaking in the local community about their homeland. Students from foreign countries will begin speaking in room T-219 today at noon. Students and staff can benefit from multi-lingual individuals and slide shows as well as see and hear presentations on music, dance, topography, ethnic groups, customs and modernization.

Presentations will be given by students from the following countries:

- April 11, Mexico
- April 18, Japan
- April 25, Kuwait
- May 2, Australia
- May 9, Malaysia

Everyone is welcome. To date the program has received varied reception.

Students interested in the program are encouraged to direct their questions to Charlene Fella in the Student Service & Enrollment Management Division in the registrars office at LBCC or through the International Culture Service Program located in Snell Hall on the campus of OSU. The phone number is 754-3006.

## Earth Week opens Monday

Unless otherwise stated, all events will be held in F 104

### Monday April 16

9:15 and 9:40 Movie 45 minutes—Beyond War: "ONE" an inspirational film

11 a.m. Adventures in Recycling: LB Campus Services Dept.

11 a.m. Movie 45 minutes—Hopi Environmental Ethic "Song of the 4th World"

Noon Tree Planting with President Carnahan, and the presentation of the Earth Day Flag in the quad

2p.m. Movie 45 minutes—Hanford: Nuclear Insanity

3 p.m. Lloyd Marbet: Anti-Nuclear Activist/slide show, Trojan Nuclear Power Plant

### Tuesday April 17

10 a.m. Greenpeace: Presentation on Greenpeace perspective/slide show

11 a.m. Instructor, Tom Walmsley—Divine Ecology, Gaia: The Living Earth

Noon Bob McDermott, OSU Prof.: Environmental Ethics: "Thinking Like a Mountain or Like a Monkey Wrench"

1 p.m. Mike Kopeski: Democratic nominee for the 5th Congressional District

2 p.m. Instructor Jay Mullen—Hanford and Hazardous Waste, and being a Downwinder

4 p.m. Karen Wood—Earth First: "Ancient Forest Issues" with suggestions for community and personal action

### Wednesday April 18

10 a.m. Adventures in Recycling—Meet at the downstairs entrance to F 104

10 a.m.-2 p.m. Environmental Information Fair, Tables around the quad with free info, T-shirt sales, sale of oak tree seedlings that have been donated by the Horticulture Club

11 a.m. Instructor Doug Clark: The Politics of Environmental Protection

1 p.m. Instructor Carolyn Lebsack: Marine Debris/slide show

2 p.m. Barry McPherson with Save Our Stratosphere. Slide show on the effects of ozone depletion

3 p.m. Instructor Dan Ehrlich: Degradation of the Environment

### Thursday April 19

10 a.m. Michael Donnelly with The Ancient Forest Alliance and Friends of the Cascades. Slide show on Opal Creek & Q. A.

11 a.m. Jim Vomcil: OSU Prof. of Soil Science. "The beneficial recycling of municipal water and waste water sludges." Suggested attendance for all engineering, waste water and agricultural students

1 p.m. George Atiyeh—ex-logger on Forest Preservation, Opal Creek

2 p.m. Tom Hiron—Forestry degreed, 18 years in the timber industry

3 p.m. Movie 45 minutes "The Valdez Disaster"

### Friday April 20

9 a.m. Movie 45 minutes Hopi Environmental Ethic: "Songs of the 4th World"

11:15 a.m. and 11:40 Movie 15 minutes. Beyond War "ONE" and inspirational film

Noon Instructor Bob Ross: Lifestyles: Living Simply So That Others May Simply Live

2 p.m. Instructor Susie Kelly: "Old Growth Forests"/slide show

3 p.m. Movie 45 minutes Hanford: Nuclear Insanity

For information, call Sandy Foster at 928-0852, Peter Wisniewski at 926-2904, Steve Fenno at 753-2746, or Carole Trueba at 753-5178.

# Petitions due today for ASLBCC council candidates

By Tim Haug  
Of The Commuter

Student Council elections are May 1-2. The council is looking for 13 individuals to fill positions. Petitions are available in CC 213, and must be turned in today.

The positions available are: Moderator, who basically runs the meetings; Operations Coordinator, they are the administrative part of the council who deal with the state board; the Activities Coordinator, who is in charge of all the activities on campus; and the Publicity Coordinator, who works for the other officers. There are

also nine representative positions open.

The way to get involved is to pick up a petition from CC 213. You need to fill out the application and get 40 signatures from students. Then turn it back in to

The representatives consist of the five divisions, two at large, and two for community education. The five divisions are Business, Science and Technology, Industrial Apprenticeship, Health Occupation and Physical Education, and Arts/Humanities/Social Sciences. The representatives meet with the division heads and act as a go-between for the Council, students

and the division heads. They must also serve on at least two committees.

The way to get involved is to pick up a petition from CC 213. You need to fill out the application and get 40 signatures from students. Then turn it back in to CC213. You have to be a student at LBCC, and have at least a 2.00 GPA. The term of office runs from May this year until May of next year.

Only eight people have turned in their petitions so far. Students interested in running for council are encouraged to contact the Student Programs office as soon as possible.

## Hwy 34 plan faces challenge

By Matt Rasmussen  
Of The Commuter

While one hurdle has been cleared in the state Highway Division's improvement plans for Highway 34, a potential appeal of a land-use issue to the Land Use Board of Appeals (LUBA) could delay the start of construction for a second time.

Construction had been scheduled to begin later this month, but a wetlands study delayed the construction bidding process. Advertising for the contract bid will begin later this month and the contract will be awarded May 24.

Plans calling for a new five-lane section of Highway 34 to be built just south of the existing two-lane roadway will displace 4.5 acres of wetlands, the study concluded.

But according to Highway Division spokesman John deTar, the wetlands matter will not further delay construction on the \$16 million widening project.

Instead, the Highway Division will mitigate, or lessen, the severity of impact on the wetlands and set aside land in the area, if possible, designated solely as wetlands. If no land is available in the project area, the Highway Division could create a wetlands area from surplus land elsewhere in the state, said deTar.

A new hurdle facing the Highway Division is a potential appeal of a land-use issue to the LUBA. Such an appeal would delay the awarding of the contract and the beginning of construction.

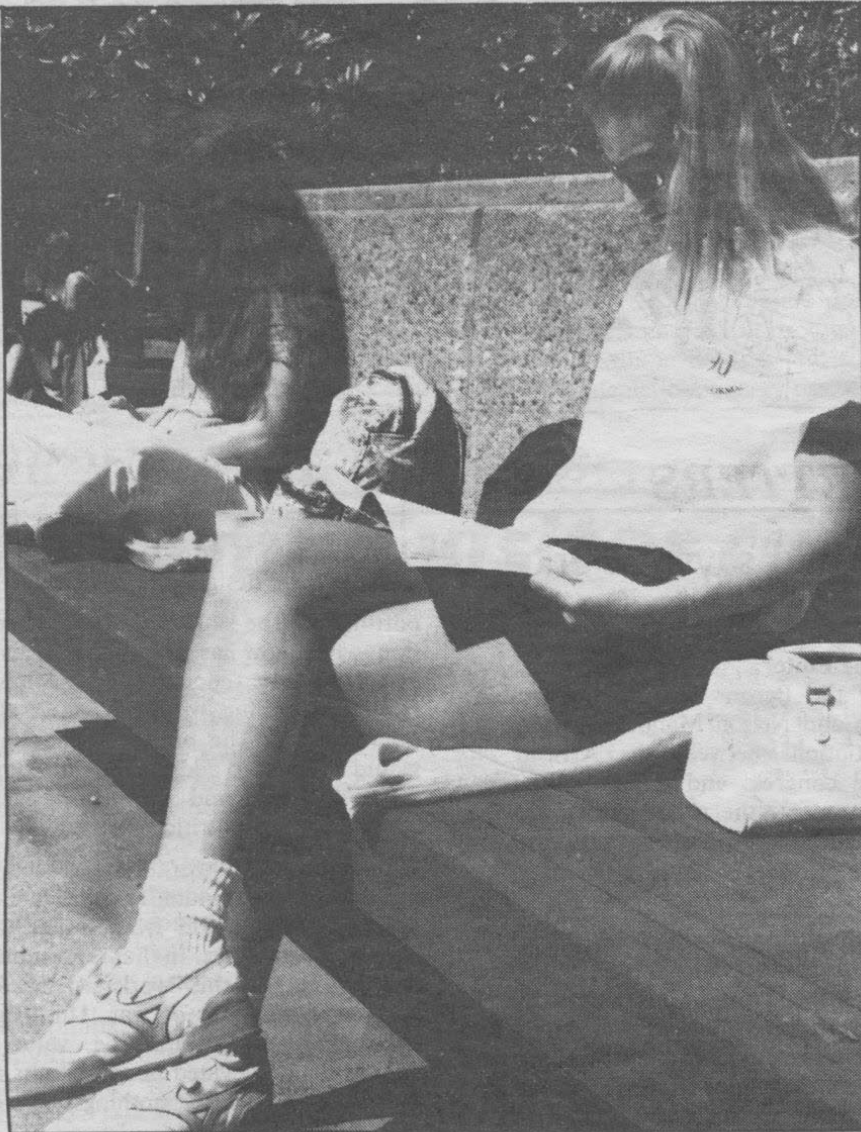
The land use issue in question centers around the division into two parcels of a 194 acre grass-seed farm owned by Vern Schrock. State planning goal 3 says that disturbance to farms should be kept to a minimum. Schrock's farm is in the county's exclusive farm use zone.

The highway agency sought and was granted an exception to state goal 3 by the Linn County Board of Commissioners, but the issue may still be taken to the LUBA if contested.

"I'm not opposed to the new highway," Schrock said in an interview Monday. "I'm opposed to the way we've been treated. They're only offering \$451,000 for the land in a \$16 million project. It's peanuts."

Schrock is being offered \$1,500 an acre for the 12 acre swath that will divide his property, with damages the total offered is \$20,400. He says that is not enough compensation for the access problems he will encounter in trying to farm his land.

A total of 86.02 acres spread over 46 properties is required by the state to complete the 3.5 mile project. The state has assessed the value of the land and improvements, along with damages at \$451,000. To date a total of 15 acres has been purchased by the state from 30 owners for a total of \$140,490. About 4.5 acres were donated to the state for the project. The remaining 16 properties, totaling 71 acres, are being condemned by the state for the highway's right of way.



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### Summertime Blues

Business major Sherry Sinnema makes the best of the sunshine as she gets it done between classes in the courtyard earlier this week. Unfortunately, the clouds are expected to return later this week.

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rager, both agree with Campbell. Iford believes this controversy will be the catalyst to form an elected student government at PCC, a reform that The Bridge has repeatedly called for. PCC is the only Oregon community college that does not have a student-elected student government.

"It seems that by trying to take more editorial control of The Bridge, they (the student government), have shot themselves in the foot," Iford said Monday.

When asked about Dix's statement regarding censorship by Campbell, Iford was surprised.

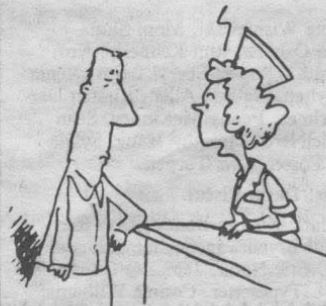
"To me, it sounds like Orwell's doublespeak. It's as if the student govern-

ment wants to censor The Bridge for its own good. And in my case, they see my title of editorial page editor, and they make me out as the enemy. They don't understand that I don't set policy, nor do I write all the editorials. They just need someone to get rid of. It just shows their mind set," he said.

Barrager concurred, "They (the student government) want us to portray this school as a wonderful place with no problems. They can't understand why they're being criticized. There is no program anywhere that is without flaws. If we said that, no one would read the paper. This to me is very strange for students who are traditionally more liberal in the way they think," she said.

# BLOOD BANK

DEPOSIT OR  
WITHDRAWAL?



### Give Blood

April 23

In Boardrooms

A & B

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Drop-ins welcome

TODAY

in Commons Lobby

# POINT OF VIEW

## COMMUTER EDITORIAL

### Eastern Bloc is artificial sweetener for latest American media hype

The setting is a still lake at dawn, a father and son sit in their row boat fishing, and the only sound that disturbs the scene is the amplified crunching of the boy's candy bar.

The crunching is so loud that it attracts a submarine that happens to be near by. The behemoth war machine rises directly beneath the boat, lifting it from the water. Suddenly some very Soviet looking sailors emerge from the craft and approach the frightened pair with a menacing look about them. Only by the ingenuity of the boy, does the frightened pair survive. Offering up his candy bar, the boy transforms the soldiers from enemies to friends with his generous gift of American chocolate.

Then the 60 second spot is over and we return to our favorite show knowing that the wonders of western capitalism can overcome any threat. We're left with a sense of triumph after witnessing a symbolic victory over the "Evil Empire" we all loathed and feared just a year ago.

It's encouraging to see our media reflecting the current feelings of good will that we share with our friends to the east, but discouraging to see the vultures descending.

We should be praising the people of Eastern Europe and the progressive leaders of the USSR rather than capitalizing on their victories. This kind of hype reflects how the media has taken on the burden of choosing for us our friends and enemies. Not long ago our most media oriented leader, Ronald Reagan, warned that the USSR was the "focus of evil in the world," yet before he left office he and Mr. Gorbachev had taken historic steps toward peace.

Now that candy bar commercials are giving us the cue to "love thy enemy," the media--and those who manipulate it--have been searching for a new object for our hate.

America's problem with drugs may serve for a while. It has been said drugs are the Russians of the 90s, and while everyone has been up in arms over the issue, the realistic thinkers in Washington know that the drug war will never generate much in the way of defense contracts. Unless, of course, this kinder gentler nation gives up all its civil rights in favor of law and order, in which case we can start building all kinds of urban assault weapons.

Scientists who study the psychological causes of war suggest that an enemy nation is often used as a sort of scapegoat upon which people can "project" or "displace" their personal anger and hostility. The media, sensing our need for a whipping boy, has complied by creating images of faceless, cruel enemies intent upon the destruction of the American way. Images we have all learned to enjoy hating. If we are to ever have peace we will have to overcome the societal need for such stereotypes and illusions.

If we are ever to have peace we must first ask an important question: Do we want it? The obvious answer is yes, but wanting peace and living it are different things. If we allow ourselves to be force-fed the answers to these questions, maintaining our comfortable level of apathy, then we are like sheep being herded into smaller and smaller pastures. A herd at peace, oblivious to the world degenerating around us.

If we agree that we do want peace, then we can apply this simple test to all our thoughts and deeds: Does this promote peace or hostility? The TV commercial mentioned above would probably pass, but would "Rambo 12"?

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## LETTERS

### Hatfield says America faces 'peace gap'

#### To the Editor:

As the Berlin Wall comes tumbling down and Nelson Mandela prepares for negotiations between the African National congress and the South African Government, the potential for peace in our troubled world seems enormous.

Yet even as warring factions sit down to talk of peace in nations around the globe, human suffering—upon which genuine and lasting peace can never be built—is on the rise. And the United States and the Soviet Union, whose warming relations and increased cooperation could provide the necessary impetus for peaceful conflict resolution from southern Africa to Central America, are actually increasing arms sales throughout the developing world.

Put simply, the gap between the potential for peace and the reality of peace is immense. While politicians and policymakers in this country dither even over whether our bloated military budget should be cut, the tremendous opportunities for the United States to become a leading international peacemaker are slipping away.

### Express Yourself

The Commuter encourages readers to use the Editorial Page to express their opinions. Commentaries and observations on campus, community, regional and national issues are welcome.

Submissions may be in the form of letters to the editor or, for topics which require deeper analysis, guest columns. All letters received will be published, space

Last month, I introduced a resolution in the Senate designed to seize those opportunities. The Harvest of Peace Resolution, which now has 10 sponsors, calls for a 50 percent reduction in worldwide military spending by the Year 2000—a decade away. The billion dollars saved would be spent to address the root human causes of war and violence: poverty, hunger and malnutrition.

Two statistics illustrate the urgency of this shift. Every minute, 15 children die in the developing world from hunger and preventable diseases. In that same minute, the nations of this world spend \$1.9 million on weapons of war. Until those statistics change—until the value of human life is elevated above bombs and bullets—peace will be nothing but a distant dream.

The time to act is now. The Harvest of Peace Resolution has been endorsed by a wide range of organizations, including Bread for the World, Oxfam America, RESULTS and SANE/FREEZE. Passing the resolution and implementing its goals, however, will take the support and commitment of individuals throughout this country—and indeed, around the world.

**Mark O. Hatfield**  
United States Senator

permitting, unless they are considered by the editor to be potentially libelous, obscene or in poor taste. Guest columns should be approved in advance by the editor. Readers wishing to submit a guest column are asked to first discuss their idea with the editor.

All submissions must be signed, with phone number and address. Please limit letters to 250 words. Editors reserve the right to edit for length, grammar and spelling.

## COMMENTARY

## Earth Day 1990; Are we stewards of the Earth or its defilers?

By Pete Wisniewski  
Of The Commuter

As Earth Day, 1990, April 22, approaches, numerous events around our nation and more than 84 countries are increasingly drawing attention to the essential significance of environmental awareness and the implications which environmental problems have for the ultimate fate of life on Earth.

Many people are beginning to realize that what happens or doesn't happen in the next 20 to 30 years may well decide whether humanity survives or perishes. If our serious environmental problems are not realistically addressed by then, we may discover, too late, that environmental deterioration has become too severe to reverse. We will have condemned future generations to a tenuous existence in a world without options. We will have consigned them to a bleak and uncertain future on a planet overwhelmed by catastrophic climate changes, toxic debris, poisoned air and water, inadequate and unreliable food supplies, unproductive wastelands, depleted natural resources, and dying oceans.

Most people have some awareness of the many environmental concerns which we face, but have not made the connection between their lives and those very problems which we all, as residents of Earth, share.

For many though, it is very difficult to accept that the "use-it-and-throw-it-away" mentality, which dominates our culture and is reinforced by the convenience-conditioned consumer-producer marketing strategy of contemporary industry, is strangling us in waste, inefficiency, toxic by-products and pollution. And yet, to an extent, all of us are part of the cycle which is slowly transforming this beautiful planet, an oasis among the stars, into a dump.

Overt materialism has become a panacea for despair in our search for success and happiness. Developing nations are rapidly following our lead in creating a consumptive society, where the rewards of progress are to be found in the accumulation of things that we don't need or that rapidly wear out. The result is an industry that churns out products made with little regard of true costs in terms of environmental degradation, resource depletion, energy use, or quality of life.

The challenge of creating a dynamic and sustainable society will increasingly provide us with insights into how we can reevaluate our lives in terms of important personal values. We need to ask ourselves how we can be stewards of the Earth instead of its defilers.

Ultimately, it is up to each one of us to consider and act on our initiative. Each one of us can make a greater effort to recycle paper, tin cans, bottles, and plastic milk jugs. Many people are unaware of the recycling resources of our community, which are actually models for the nation. Make use of them. We can all make an attempt to purchase more wisely by avoiding inefficient and extraneous packaging and products made by companies that are environmentally insensitive.

Keep your car well-tuned and use public transport or a bicycle when practical. Conserve water. Turn lights off when not needed. Lower your thermostat. Insulate your house. Compost your garbage. Grow a garden. Plant a tree. Participate in Earth Day 1990 activities. It might be a very ennobling thing to ask, next time you contemplate some action, "Can the Earth stand 4 billion people doing this same thing?"

The answer may surprise you.

## THROUGH THE KEYHOLE

## W. German visitor cautious on reunification

By Arik Hesseldahl  
Editor

History has a sense of humor. I have believed this for several years. The great joke of the decade hit its ultimate punchline in 1989 in Eastern Europe.

It goes like this. Politicians in this country have been calling for the dismantling of the Berlin Wall for years, never expecting it would ever happen. But History, to close out a wild decade with a nice climactic act, called the bluff. And woosh, just like that, the Wall is gone.

Perfect timing, I told my friend Johannes Withoft, of Datteln, West Germany. Perfect timing for you to come back and visit so we can talk about Germany in the 90s.

Johannes, was an exchange student at Crescent Valley High School in 1988. When last we spoke of German reunification, two years ago, he expressed little interest in the idea, and even implied that it was something that only an idealistic American would believe in.

But his tone has changed. In a recent letter to me he wrote of reuniting with the brothers of the German Fatherland. He likes the idea now.

When asked last Friday by the LBCC Budapest delegation how he personally felt about reunification, he said: "I was born in a divided Germany. I'm like lots of young people who are excited to see a United Germany again. But to be excited is only a feeling, and they don't really count with something as important as this. We really have to do rational things, like help their (East Germany's) economy and help make life in the East better."

This statement set the stage for a later discussion we had Monday. The big trick, he said, is adjusting the people of the East to the ways of the western economy.



There are several factors to consider here. First, the workers from the East in the competition-oriented free market system.

"The workers from the East have been offended at their new jobs in the West because they don't get to play cards every day. In the East, there was always a shortage of something in the factories. They would work about a half day until something would run out. Then they would play cards. In the West there are no shortages and no card games," he said.

How about cultural shock?

"It won't really be a cultural shock. They've all seen western television, and they listen to western radio stations, so they know about life in the west. What may shock them the most is the freedom to buy anything they need, provided they have the money. They find the idea of the western free market difficult to understand."

Are the eastern workers qualified to work in the West?

"For the most part they've been trained on old machinery that dates back in some cases to the 1950s. When they come to the West, they don't have the skills to run the machinery, and they have to be retrained. And that can cost a lot of money. And that means managers too."

And what of those managers?

"Factory managers have no real knowledge of the western market system. They're all students of Marxism. So the universities have been opening business schools in the East to educate the managers about the western market."

Another important fact: 98 percent of eastern women work full time, even with children. That raises questions regarding child care that several western governments, including the United States, have not yet ventured to answer.

"In the East, after the age of one year, children may be put into a kinderkrippe. That literally means cradle of the children. These children are tended by professionals for the entire work day so that parents may pursue jobs. This is a government service that is provided in the East but not in the West. Although it's been said that these child care centers were in poor states of repair and that they were used for the political indoctrination of the children, the concept of child care provided by the government is a good one."

This opens up a whole new can of ideas. What can the East contribute to the government of the west? Or will they just adopt western law?

"In West Germany we have what is called the Basic Law. In paragraph 23 of

this document there is a statement that any state or nation that in a general election votes to accept the Basic Law may join. That's one way that East Germany can join. But to do this, they have to divide into smaller states that were abolished by the socialists, set up state parliaments, and then decide to accept the Basic Law. Then they are a member of Germany's Basic Law.

"But in paragraph 146, there is a clause on how to abolish the Basic Law and begin framing a new constitution. If they did this, East and West would have to sit together and start from scratch."

What do you like better?

"There are several pros and cons for both methods. First, as far as democracy in Germany goes, the Basic Law is the only democratic document that has proven itself to work. The con is that under paragraph 23, the East just joins the West without offering any input to make changes. Federally funded child care is a good example.

"But if you use Number 146, those ideas can be brought to the bargaining table. But if 146 is used, there is no guarantee that another dictator will not rise again. I favor using Number 23. It's (the Basic Law) been tested for 40 years and works."

So what of the future? What does he foresee for Germany in the 90s.

"The 90s in Germany will be like the 50s in America. It's times like this when fortunes are made and rich families are established. The East is ripe for western investment and expansion, because there are several things like movie cinema chains, or fitness clubs that have never been tried in the East. As the people in the East make more money, a new market will develop for western expansion. And new businesses can take root as well."

# DECA book sales financial success for club and students

By Xenia Choy  
Of The Commuter

DECA, a student organization for business and marketing majors, is selling books at lower prices and saving students money as well as making selling books back less painful.

Jay Brooks, advisor to Distributive Education Clubs of America, got his idea from Chemeketa Community College. They were selling used books and were successful with it so Brooks decided to present this idea to the DECA members. All agreed to use this for a fund raiser.

Lisa Hargis, Chairman of the fundraiser, sees many advantages for students if they decide to participate. For one thing, student costs are decreased by buying used instead of new books. Also those who sell their books through DECA can reclaim more than 50 percent of the original price of the book. Even books that won't be used again can be sold through DECA to students who might want them for reference.

The first booksale was held on January 2-6, the first week of winter term. Books were collected final week of the previous term. From this sale, DECA suffered some losses and only made \$96 before expenses.

The second sale was held March 26-30 and was a success. Sales brought the club

Books are received from students, priced by the students and sold on consignment. DECA takes 10 percent or one dollar from the money made on each book-which ever is greater. All this is stated in the contract signed by the students before the sale.

Any type of book is accepted in any shape as long as it's readable. However, no refunds will be given-all sales are final. Monies made from the books, along with the books that didn't sell are given back to the students the Monday and Tuesday following the week of the booksale. Unclaimed books and money become donations to DECA.

How has this affected sales at the bookstore? Bob Miller, Director of Auxiliary Services, said "There hasn't been a noticeable impact on sales." In fact, he encourages the booksales and further says that if it benefits the students it's great.

All proceeds from the fundraiser will go to help DECA members achieve their goal of attending the National Conference held May 2-6 in San Jose, California.

DECA will begin taking books on June 4-6 for the third booksale. Members hope to double their sales from last term.

Students who participated in the first sale and have not yet picked up their money are asked to contact Jay Brooks or Lisa Hargis in B-206, Ext. 106.

## LB braces for influx of new students

Mary Spilde, assistant to the president of LBCC, and faculty met last week to review plans for the influx of new students expected in October 1990, under the Welfare Reform bill (Family Support Act).

These "new" students will arrive with special needs and problems familiar to LBCC: needing advisors and programs to aid them in child care, transportation and financial aid.

Much of the LB population is already in similar situations, according to Spilde. And she expects them to mesh well with existing student body.

The Adult and Family Services Division (AFS), organized the Oregon Economic Development Department (OEDD) and the college to form a cooperative agreement, giving LBCC the authority and control over the JOBS program.

"Education and employment is the key to the success of the Welfare Reform," Spilde said. "By providing them with enough training they'll be on the career ladder and not fall back onto welfare."

Through the previous JOBS program under the AFS department many recipients were "set up for failure," returning to welfare within a few months, being forced into minimum wage jobs or being sanctioned from all benefits.

The first meeting of the planning commission is April 16, and their proposed contract must be submitted by the end of May, for the October-June 1990-91 school year.

The state is matching funds provided by the Federal government, suggesting almost \$373,000 for "direct service for the clients," Spilde continued, which will not be used in already existing programs.



## Proper attention requires perseverance

By Susan Osburn  
Of The Commuter

Not long ago, Karen, a former Albany resident, was told she was having an anxiety attack and to go home and "take it easy" after she went to a local hospital emergency room complaining of extreme chest pain.

Assuming the doctor on duty was giving her competent advice, Karen returned home only to collapse ten minutes later. Her husband rushed her back to the hospital, and she was diagnosed with Myocardial Infarction—a heart attack.

A misdiagnosis such as Karen's seems like an all too common tragedy for which no easy solution exists.

"Patients expect us to have all the answers and we just don't," says a local physician. "Medicine is more like an art rather than a science; doctors are practicing their craft and sometimes it really involves some educated guesswork."

To err is indeed human but when it comes to something so vital and fragile as an individual's health, medical procedures need an overhaul in the doctor-patient communications department.

"I'm angry and bitter toward the medical community. By the time I wound up in the hospital with pneumonia, I could barely breathe. It was only then when a physician ordered a CAT scan (computerized axial tomography) that showed an eight

pound tumor in my abdomen," says Maria Ternosky, a California resident who is currently pursuing a malpractice suit.

For a year prior to her hospitalization, Ternosky had seen seven different physicians for her symptoms of abdominal pain and shortness of breath.

"I was told it was my imagination or PMS," Ternosky said. "Even when I looked like I was six months pregnant, the doctors wrote my condition off as a swollen liver," she said.

Maria has had Osteogenesis Imperfecta, a degenerative bone disease, since birth and believes that disabled individuals have even more trouble with doctor-patient relations than those who don't have chronic illness.

"I did everything the American Medical Association suggests to ensure the best care: researched my physician's background, got second opinions, asked lots of questions; I came to the conclusion that I literally had to do a lot of screaming and hollering to be taken seriously," Ternosky stated.

Is emotional upset really what it takes for proficient medical attention?

Perhaps enough voices have been heard to encourage physicians to remove their statistical stethoscopes and bend a listening ear to each individual situation. But, those doctors remain in the minority and are usually in a specialty practice that limits patient enrollment.

A Portland physician sums it up this way: "Doctors are overloaded but we try our best to give the best possible care to our patients. We sometimes forget that we are dealing with a human situation rather than just an ailment. Do whatever it takes to get our attention. You, the patient, are in charge."



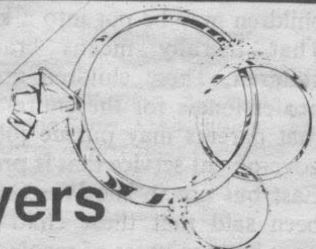
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The LBCC Women's Center is hosting a Smoker's Anonymous Group. The open discussion meetings are being held on Fridays at 12:00 noon for ex-smokers and those with a desire to stop smoking. Both men and women are invited to join us. Room HO 201A.

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**DAVE BARRY****Finally! The federal government steps in to save the U.S. from obscene fruits**

At long last, the federal government is taking action. I found this out thanks to alert reader Dawn Price, who sent me a notice from the Standardization Section of the Fresh Products Branch of the Fruit and Vegetable Division of the Agricultural Marketing Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The moment I saw this notice, I said to myself: "I wonder what those wild and crazy dudes down at the Standardization Section of the Agricultural Marketing Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture are up to now!"

The answer is: They are standardizing papayas. I am not making this up. They have churned out several dense pages of proposed papaya standards, featuring subsections and sub-subsections and statements such as this:

"'Fairly well formed' means the papaya may be moderately lopsided, flattened, elongated or otherwise lacking symmetry, but the fruit shall not be sufficiently misshapen to materially detract from its appearance."

I know how you're reacting to this news, as a taxpayer and a consumer. You're saying to yourself: "It's about time, after so many tragic deaths directly linked to misshapen papayas, the men and women of the Standardization Section of the Fresh Products Branch of the Fruit and Vegetable Division of the Agricultural Marketing Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture have decided to take action. BUT ARE THEY GOING FAR ENOUGH?"

I regret to report that the answer is: No. Because there is a serious problem here, a problem that poses a threat potentially even more dangerous than the epidemic of Swine Flu shots that swept the nation during the administration of Gerald 'R' Ford (Aug. 9-12, 1974).

The problem is that in certain Hispanic cultures, particularly the Cuban culture, "papaya" is an **OBSCENE WORD**. Really. If you don't believe me, walk up to your boss and say, "you big papaya head!" Chances are he'll stare at you blankly, but if

there are any Cuban-Americans around they'll be laughing like hell.

And hell is exactly where this nation is headed, when the federal government starts standardizing obscene fruit names. This is just one more example of the rising tide of pornographic filth and smut-- not just in the area of fresh produce, but also in books, movies, "rock" music, Care Bear episodes, cloud formations, etc.-- that threatens to destroy the moral foundation garment of this nation.

What can we do? We can all write angry letters to our congresshumans demanding that the Department of Agriculture change the official name of the papaya to something more suitable, such as "Geraldo," or even -- this would be a nice tribute-- "The Rev. Jerry Falwell Fruit." But that is not all. We should also demand that Sen. Jesse Helms (R-Spider Family) hold televised hearings that would deeply into the whole alarming issue of obscenity in federally standardized produce, with an eye toward answering some troubling questions, such as:

1. What about the expression, "Get a load of those mangos on that tomato"?

2. What about cucumbers?

I'm sure that I speak for all of you when I say that, until we get some answers, ALL vegetables should be required to wear some kind of modest little garments. Come on, citizens! Let's not sit back and do nothing while this nation gets flushed down the Toilet of Low Morals! Let's actually help pull the handle! And let's remember these words, which appear on a sign that somebody nailed to a telephone pole near where I get my car fixed:

**DEFINITELY NO BEER-PEPSI IN HELL.**

I would only add-- and I am sure that Rev. Fruit would back me up here--that this statement also applies to Classic AND Coke II.

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**Center wraps up brown-bag series**

Three seminars remain in LBCC Women's Center's brown bag series.

The first seminars have been well received and well attended, according to Marion Roberts, director of Women's Center.

Jayne Dahl, work and family specialist at the Albany Center, is the speaker coordinator. The speakers were hired from a pool of part-time instructors, each with expertise in their area.

The following schedule of seminars provides no specific solutions to problems but offer avenues to pursue solutions, said Dahl.

April 17, Self-Esteem, speaker to be announced.

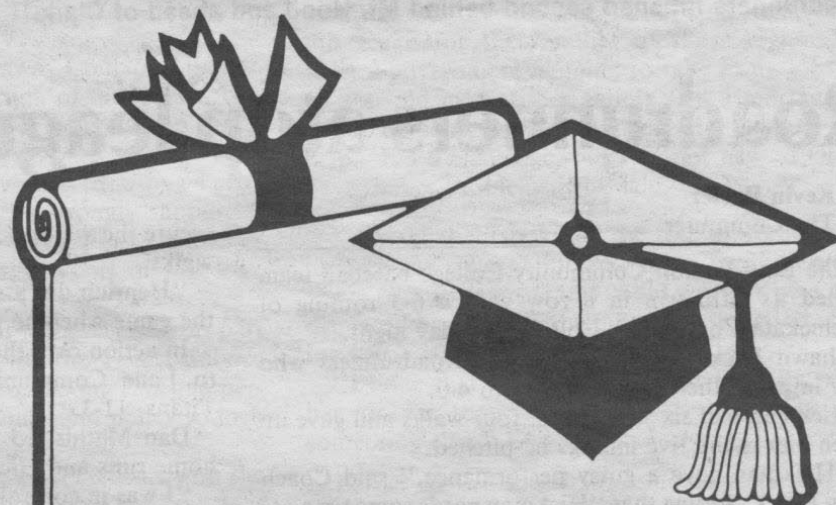
April 24, Parenting, with Maryanne Dengler, a parent education instructor at LBCC. She conducts work and family seminars and workshops in the public school systems in both Linn and Benton counties.

May 1, Time Management, with Christie Connard, educational coordinator for parent-child classes. Christie

The seminars will be at noon in boardroom B of the College Center.

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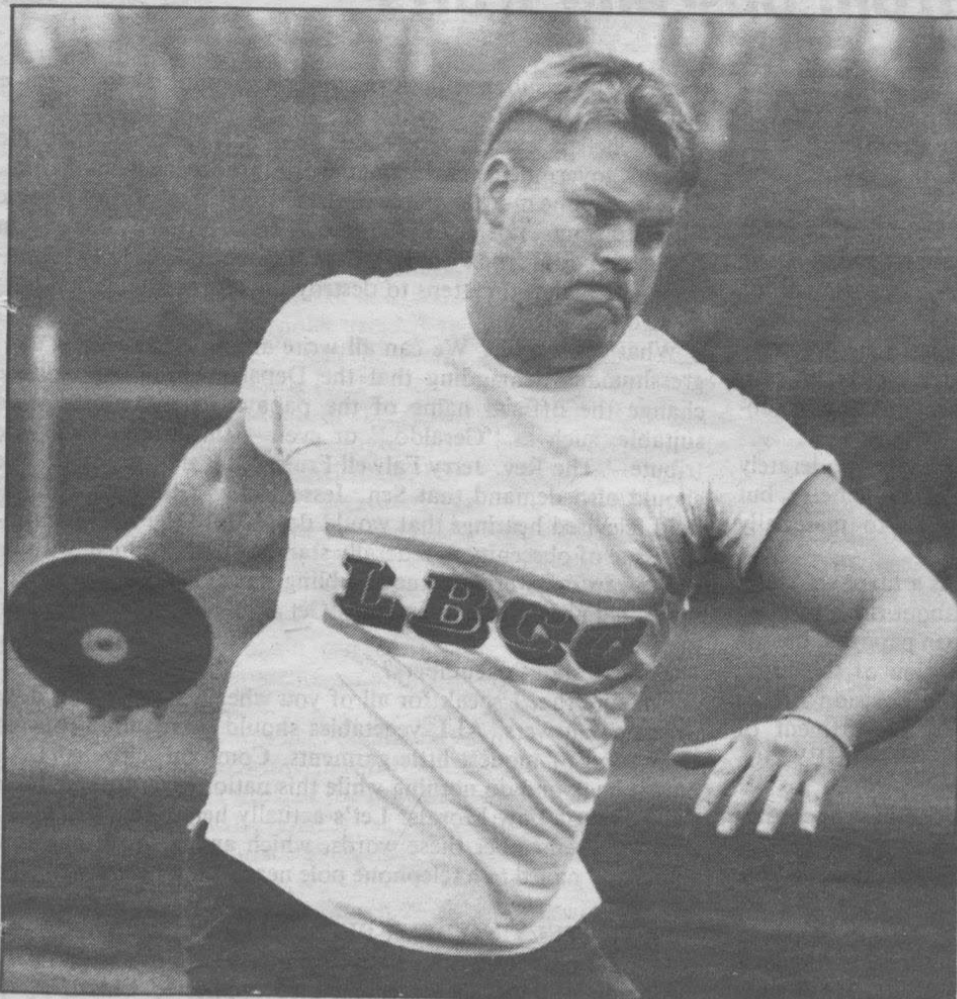
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## SPORTS PAGE

## Baughman breaks two-minute barrier in 800-meters



The Commuter/TIM VANSLYKE

Biff Kliever came away with second place in the discus for the Roadrunners with a toss of 115 feet in last weekend's three-way track meet at LBCC. The Roadrunners finished second behind Mt. Hood and ahead of Clark.

By Kevin Porter  
Of The Commuter

In their first home meet of the season, Linn-Benton's men's and women's team came up a little shy of the win.

Mt. Hood won the men's side with LBCC finishing second and Clark in third.

Everyone is improving and right now LB is sitting in the middle of the pack in the Southern Region track and field, said the Roadrunner's head coach Brad Carman.

For the men at LBCC, Kevin Akers put in another strong performance winning the pole vault at 15'0". He also finished third in the long jump and triple jump, and ran in both relays, the 4x100 and 4x400, which finished second and first respectively.

Tim France and Brandon Baughman competed well for the Roadrunners as France won the Javelin with a throw of 171'9" and Baughman won the 800 meters (1:59.4) and the 1500 meters (4:16.3).

"Akers, France and Baughman are the leaders of the men's team at this point," said Carman.

Carmen said Baughman should be a contender in the 800 meters now that he has broken the two minute mark.

With sprinter Russ Waters out with a pulled hamstring, LB found itself missing a few points that probably would have been there, said Carman.

"Waters should be back next week and that should take a lot of the pressure off Akers, France and Baughman," said Carman.

On the women's side LBCC came in third place only two points behind Clark Community College, 46-48. Mt. Hood won scoring 62 points.

"We were hurt by the sprint relay when we missed the third hand-off and sometimes the whole meet is dictated by the sprint relay," said Carman.

Heptathlete Trina Fitzjarrold put in a strong performance for the Roadrunners, winning the 100 meters (12.9) and the 400 meters hurdles (1:08.8).

She finished second in the javelin (95'6") and the 100 meter hurdles (16.4) and was on the second place 1600 meter relay team.

Kelli Swanson was another top finisher for LBCC with a win in the 200 meters (27.4) and second in the long jump, triple jump and third in the high jump.

"Kelli has been a steady performer and beat the girl from Mt. Hood that was favored in the 200 meters," said Carman.

The Roadrunners are attempting to qualify athletes for the Northwest meet, May 24-25.

"We have people that can compete at that level," said Carman. Adding, "We are getting better every meet and it's time now to turn up the level of intensity."

The next meet for LB is April 14 at the Mt. Hood Relays in Gresham.

## Roadrunners atop league; extend win streak to five

By Kevin Porter  
Of The Commuter

The Linn-Benton Community College baseball team earned its fifth win in a row with a 6-3 routing of Chemekata Community College Tuesday night.

Shawn Hickman started for the Roadrunners who now improve their league record to 4-0.

Hickman had six strike outs, four walks and gave up seven hits in the five innings he pitched.

"Hickman gave a gutsy performance," said Coach Greg Hawk, adding that "Hickman needs some time off the starting mound to get some rest."

Gary Peters was red hot with the bat going 3-3 with a home run, a triple and a walk. He also had two RBIs.

Shane Touchette, who had been in a slump with the bats, connected on 2-3 for LB.

After being hit by a line drive ball, Hickman closed out the fourth inning but was unable to finish the fifth.

Hawk called on Sean Henrich in the top of the fifth to

secure the victory. Henrich had four strike outs and no walks.

"Henrich did a spectacular job, he really controlled the game when he got in," commented Hawk.

In action over the weekend the Roadrunners traveled to Lane Community College where they ripped the Titans, 11-3.

Dan Mathis led the charge going 5 for 6 with two home runs and Hickman threw for 10 strike outs.

"I was in control the whole game and I just turned it on cruise control after the fourth inning," said Hickman.

Ken Kaveny added, "It was just another day for Sean, what can you say, that's Hickman."

Lane's scoring was all done in the ninth inning on a three run homer off Bill Proctor.

"We should have had the shut out," said Hawk. He added that the score doesn't reflect the game because it

was close early.

Craig Brockman was shut down by the Titans ending his hitting streak at eight games.

Last Thursday the Roadrunners met the Oregon State Junior Varsity at Coleman Field in what turned out to be a slugfest by both teams ending in an LBCC win, 13-10.

LB knocked the Beaver pitchers all over the ballpark for a total of 15 hits, but the Beavers did the same to the Roadrunners, collecting 16 hits.

Brett Smith went 4-5 with a ground rule double on a fifth inning shot that got stuck in the left field fence. Thad Holman was 3-6 with a RBI.

Adam Geaslen pitched six innings in relief of Nick Bonnenfant and Mark Dennis, to earn his third win of the season and Henrich closed the game out in the ninth to pick up the save.

## 250 participants expected for Albany Triathlon

By Sandra Grimes  
Of The Commuter

The annual Albany Triathlon is scheduled for Sunday, April 29, at the Albany Community Pool.

A triathlon is a race composed of swimming, bicycling, and running. According to race director, Gus Arzner, this 25k race would be good for beginning triathletes or good early season training for more ad-

vanced triathletes. Arzner is expecting at least 250 participants in this year's race.

The courses for biking and running will be policed by the Linn County Emergency Services and the transition area will be fenced and supervised. Bike helmets are required for all participants.

Everyone who participates will receive a T-shirt. Medallions will be awarded to the top three finishers in each age group. Ribbons will be given for fourth

through sixth places.

Entry forms need to be turned in to the Albany Community Pool by April 17. There are five age categories for entrants: 15-19, 20-28, 29-38, 39-48, and 49 and over. The first heat starts at 8 a.m. Seeding is based on 1,000-meter swim times. Entrants include that time on their entry forms. The entry fee is \$10 (\$30 if run as a relay). For more information contact Arzner at the Albany Community Pool.