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Off-duty heroics earn instructor lifesaving award

by Craig Hatch
of The Commuter

Part-time EMT instructor Steven Bowen has received the Oregon Health Division Lifesaving Award for rescuing a young woman last December.

Bowen was on his way to work at the Corvallis Fire Department on the morning of Dec. 21, 1993, when he came across an accident at the intersection of Highway 34 and Oakville Drive. The roads were icy that morning and a woman had apparently lost control of her Honda Civic and crashed into a culvert.

Bowen, who was off-duty at the time, arrived approximately five minutes after the accident occurred and found that the passenger, a 22-year-old woman, was apparently not breathing.

With the help of State Police Trooper Ralph Show and a few bystanders, Bowen managed to reposition her in the vehicle, maintaining her airway and protecting her spine. Without any of his gear, Bowen stayed with the patient until rescue units arrived.

"It is quite probable that Mr. Bowen's quick action and expertise in emergency care and treatment may very well have saved the life" of the young woman, wrote Albany firefighter and paramedic John Bradner in his report.

Several months later, on Sept. 16, Bowen was presented with the Lifesaving Award at the EMS Conference in Portland. It is the first such award Bowen has received.

A firefighter and certified paramedic for the past 12 years, Bowen said he enjoys his work because it's fulfilling "to know that you've touched a life and

made a difference. The pay isn't the greatest, but there are many other rewards."

Bowen, who said he was humbled by the award, became a paramedic be-

cause he wanted to be in the fire service. He worked in Portland while testing to be a career firefighter, and then came to Corvallis to work.

Two years ago he was asked by LBCC to teach an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) class. He said he accepted because he felt he could "come here and make a difference in the students' lives."

The EMT program at LBCC is an 11-credit course offered Tuesdays and Thursdays with a lab for four hours on Wednesday. The beginning course is offered winter term, and then the intermediate course follows spring term.

The program has consistently maintained the highest pass ratio in the (Turn to 'EMT' on page 2)

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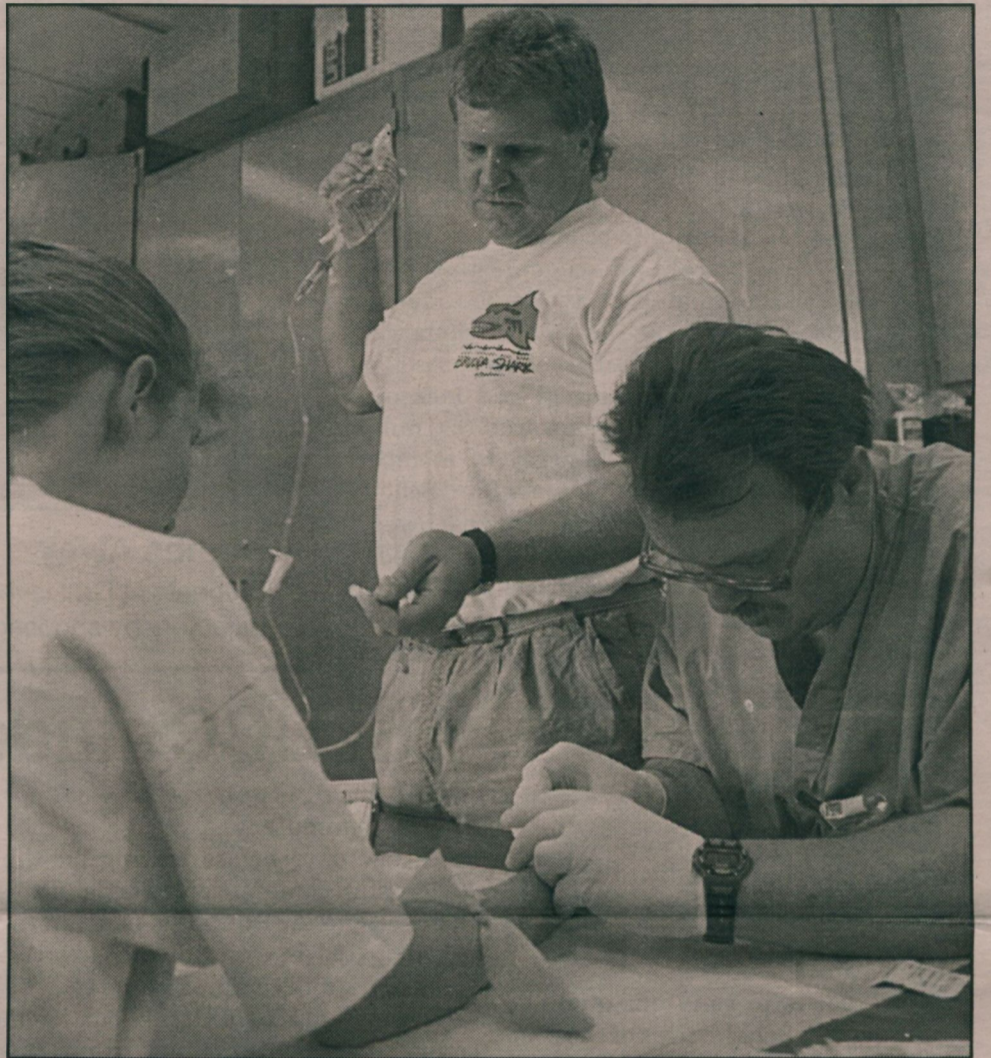
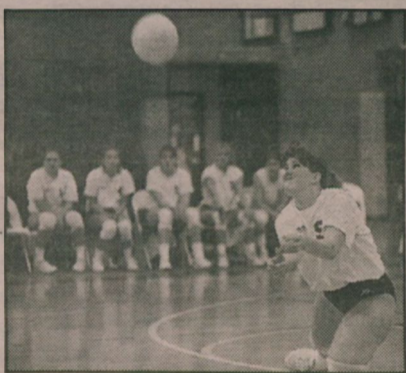


Photo by Amy Radie

Steve Bowen, EMT instructor, assists Carla Lowery (left) and Don Turrell as they practice inserting intravenous injections. Bowen recently received the state Lifesaving Award for aiding an accident victim last December.

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Voter information service seeks student volunteers

by Teri Schudel
of The Commuter

Project Vote Smart, a national organization that provides year-round information on political issues and representatives, needs staff and interns to run the toll free phone lines at its headquarters at OSU.

Although the project needs year-round volunteers, the best time to get involved is now because "the calls heat up close to election time—which is August through the end of the year," according to program director Jodi Smith.

Smith said Vote Smart is a "non-partisan organization that provides voters with factual information. The project is funded by citizens and foundation grants but not by corporation grants to avoid bias or tainted information."

The project requires a two-hour training process scheduled around the volunteers' time. Issues covered include the candidate's voting records in over 20 areas, their

position statements, funding sources, phone numbers and mailing addresses and biographical details of their service in Congress. In addition, ratings on their performances from more than 70 conservative to liberal organizations.

Project Vote Smart now has 75 volunteers but needs 100-150, including Spanish-speaking people, to answer the large number of phone calls. In 1992 the project averaged 210,000 calls with 32,000 calls on election day alone.

The program also provides hundreds of high school and college interns work and study. The intern hours can be flexible from once or twice a week to full time.

Students who want to be a volunteer for Project Vote Smart can call Jodi Smith at 737-3760 Monday-Friday, 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. or Saturday and Sunday, 8 a.m.-noon. Students who want credit should contact political science instructor Doug Clark in T-212 or Cooperative Work Experience Coordinator Rich Horton in T-101.

Education leaders debate funding crisis

by Marie Oliver
of The Commuter

A financial aid specialist warned a gathering of student leaders this weekend that Pell Grants, which provide thousands students with financial assistance, may be cut back.

"The U.S. Department of Education is saying the Pell Grant program isn't working," said Kathy Campbell, a financial aid director who spoke as part of a panel discussion at the three-day Northwest Student Leadership Conference at Portland State University. The conference was attended by 350

"Tuition as we know it should be abolished."

—Phil Kiesling

student leaders from Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Alaska. They met to attend workshops covering various aspects of student leadership.

The panel was called to address the question, "Education in the Northwest: Where do we go from here?"

Campbell, who had just come from a hastily-called meeting with the Department of Education, said the depart-

ment "can't sell [the Pell Grant program] to Congress."

Appropriations for the Pell Grant program haven't kept up with inflation or college costs, said Campbell. She explained that if appropriations had kept up with inflation, the maximum grant—which is now at \$2,300—would be at \$4,000; had they kept up with the actual cost of attending college, the maximum grant would be at \$4,500.

The Department of Education has already implemented "Phase I" of its answer to the crisis in funding, which (Turn to 'Financing' on page 2)

CAMPUS NEWS

Phi Theta Kappa seeks top students

by Marie Oliver
of The Commuter

Only six students attended the first meeting of the year held by Phi Theta Kappa, an international honor society for two-year colleges.

Co-advisor Allan Jackson gave a brief history of the organization and encouraged those present to get others involved.

"I'm really looking forward to a new group of people—looking forward to a good year," said Jackson later. "What's crucial to us is getting enough people at the next meeting to get officers elected. The students have to make it happen."

Jackson listed several advantages to Phi Theta Kappa membership: leadership opportunities, service to the community, fellowship with students, prestige, and accessibility to scholarships.

To qualify for membership, students must have a 3.5 GPA on an accumulated 12 credits. The membership fee is \$35, with yearly dues of \$5. Scholarships are available to pay the membership fee, so money shouldn't keep people from joining, said Jackson.

Nationally, Phi Theta Kappa awards \$20 million in transfer scholarships exclusively to members, including the relatively new Guistwhite Scholarship, which gives \$5,000 to 10 students each year.

"Anybody interested in Phi Theta Kappa needs to turn out at the next meeting," said Jackson. It will be held on Oct. 26 at 2 p.m. in the Willamette Room, located on the second floor of the College Center.



Bombs Away

Students in Dr. Dave Perkins' physical science lab perform an experiment to determine trajectory by shooting ping pong balls with a sling shot in the courtyard Thursday afternoon.

Photo by Carol Rich

EMT instructor donates time to community

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state, and the coordinator, Sue Shulters, earned the award of EMS Educator of the Year for her work with the program.

"Our goal is to send out qualified personnel to touch the lives of the community they serve," said Bowen, who teaches once a week and also works as a firefighter full-time. He also spends part of his summers teaching at camps and attempting to raise professionalism and awareness in his field.

"God's allowed me to have the ability to use my experience and talents outside the workplace," Bowen said.

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ASLBCC student leaders practice their skills

by Audra J. Stephens
of The Commuter

A few days before leaving for the state-wide student leadership conference in Portland this weekend, 17 members of the ASLBCC Council and Programming Board participated in experimental exercises to promote better teamwork and communication.

The activity, held Oct. 12 outside the Student Programs office, was also designed to increase the acceptance of differences among people.

Participants were told to form a team to help people (some acting disabled) over an electric gate (in actuality a rope) and away from a burning building. The simulation showed that teamwork is an essential part of life. Just "one

person couldn't do his own thing because they couldn't get over the rope by themselves," explained Randy Brown, ASLBCC moderator.

Bob Brown, student services and extended learning representative, played the part of a mute man during the exercise, and even though he could not speak, he believes "It's amazing how much you can communicate without words." He didn't let people ignore him, he said—if he wanted something he reached out and grabbed someone.

After the activity, the participants discussed the results and ways to increase teamwork success in the future.

"The majority of the people felt really good about it and learned a lot," explained Randy. "We're going to do it again if people want to."

Financing education presents problems for students

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was to open up direct loan programs for students, she said. She explained that this costs the government less, but aside from alleviating the hassle of students having to go through a bank, there is no financial advantage to students as a result of this action.

The next phase involves discussing the possibility of "funding only the neediest students." As a result, middle-income students soon may not be able to get Pell Grants, she said.

Also on the panel were Phil Kiesling, secretary of state; Roger Bassett, community college commissioner; Bill Lunch, analyst for Oregon Public Broadcasting; and Stephanie Arellano, president of the United States Student Association in Washington, D.C.

"Tuition as we know it should be abolished," said Kiesling, who introduced himself as the "designated bomb thrower" for the evening.

He added that the state should institute an "income-contingent payment plan" to cover the costs of education. The idea is that students wouldn't pay tuition while they were in school, but would pay a certain percent of their salary once they were out of school and working.

Bassett and Arellano had their own versions of what education would look like in an "ideal world."

Bassett suggested that our state is

past the time when students need to worry about whether to be a "Duck"—in other words, it's time to combine the state's resources and break down the barriers between community colleges and four-year colleges.

His version of the ideal world would be that the first year of college be made available only through community colleges. He thinks student cost for the first year should be low and the government subsidy high. As the student progresses through school, tuition should rise and financial aid drop.

Arellano's vision was that "in a perfect world, post-secondary education would be fully funded." She pointed out that the Pell Grant program currently makes up only 1.8 percent of the federal budget and she believes that, as a nation, "we need new priorities."

While applauding the visionary outlooks of Bassett and Kiesling, Arellano suggested that education is in crisis now, and something needs to be done now.

"We have to get students to register to vote—to support candidates who are pro-education," she said.

Lunch gave a historical perspective

on the issue, using an imaginary "time machine" to help explain that government funding of education is an age-old issue. He praised the student effort, saying "the most effective people in the building" for the past two sessions of Congress have been members of the Oregon Student Lobby.

Kiesling, in his official capacity as state elections officers, announced there are 12,500 new voters registered as a direct result of student efforts.

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LOCAL & REGIONAL NEWS

LB alum has a nose for selling the news

Former Commuter editor finds direction in the LB journalism program and starts a successful business in downtown Corvallis

By Jaime Speelman
Of the Commuter

Former Commuter Editor David Rickard, who attended LBCC from 1990-92, has found success selling the news instead of writing it.

The 32-year-old Corvallis native is the sole proprietor of Not Necessarily the News, a Corvallis newsstand Rickard started 13 months after he graduated from OSU, where he majored in technical journalism and political science.

Prior to attending OSU, Rickard was a student at LBCC and editor of the Commuter from 1991-92. Although he decided not to go into journalism after college, he said being editor did affect his new career.

"Working at The Commuter was a great learning experience, and although it did not affect me at the time, it did have some impact on my career choice," he said.

Rickard believes the key to any successful business is to have a plan and ingenuity. "If you have that you'll be successful," he said.

The newsstand carries over 2,000 titles, 1,500 of which are rare to the area.

The merchandise ranges from mainstream publications such as Time and People, to more alternative titles like Planet and the High Times.

"The High Times in fact sells an average of 80 copies a week," Rickard said. "That's 50 more copies than any other publication carried."

Other magazines deal with such diverse subjects as vegetarian living, art, computers, tattoos, comics, gay and lesbian issues, and the military. Foreign newspapers and magazines are also sold. Some publications can be put on special order.

Rickard believes that "if people share a common interest or activity, there will be a publication for it."

Not Necessarily the News not only sells magazines and newspapers, but also carries other items, such as flags, posters, candy, knick-knacks, cigars and cigarettes.

Sales of cigars and cigarettes are also very high. Rickard has 30 different selections. If you're interested in a natural



Photo by Carol Rich

Former student David Rickard opens his Not Necessarily the News stand for another day of business.

cigarette, Rickard suggests the American Spirit, an herbal cigarette with no preservatives or impurities.

In the future, Rickard plans to go back to his roots in journalism and start an alternative newspaper in about two years.

Not Necessarily the News is located on Fourth and Madison, near the Starbucks coffee house, in the old the JC Penny building.

Anita Hill speaks on social change at Linfield College

Anita Hill, professor at the University of Oklahoma School of Law, will speak on "Social Change and Workplace Realities" Thursday, Nov. 3, at 7:30 p.m. in Wilson Gymnasium at Linfield College. The lecture is free and open to the public.

In Oct. 1991, the nation's attention was focused on Hill as she testified during the Supreme Court Justice nomination hearings for Clarence Thomas. The reverberations from her tes-

timony continues to influence attitudes and ideas in the years ahead.

Hill began her law career in 1980 as an associate with the Washington, D.C. firm of Wald, Harkrader & Ross. In 1981, she became special counsel to the assistant secretary of the Department of Education's Office of Civil Rights. From 1982-83, she served as adviser to the chairman of the Equal Employment Opportunities Commission. She began her teaching career as an assis-

stant professor at Oral Roberts University, where she taught from 1983-86. Since then, Hill has been a professor at the University of Oklahoma School of Law where she teaches courses on civil rights, commercial law and contracts.

Hill is currently working on two books—one is her memoirs and personal reflections of her testimony during the 1991 Supreme Court nomination hearing and the other is about race and gender issues of the 90s.

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Oregon State Police is now offering summer employment for the 95 season. Employment runs from mid-June through the first week of September. Starting salary is \$8.07 per hour. Applicants must be 18 years of age. Deadline for applications is December 31, 1994. Applications and additional information may be picked up at any Oregon State Police Office, or write: Oregon State Police Personnel Section 400 Public Service Building Salem, Oregon 97310 or call 378-3720 ext. 4701. EOE

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arts briefs

First Annual Boo Ball

A benefit for KBOO-FM, a listener-supported, non-commercial, community radio station, will be held Friday Oct. 28, 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Benton County Fairgrounds in Corvallis. Halloween horns by Huzzah with Little John Christy on harmonica provide the music, complemented by costume contests with prizes. Co-sponsored by KBOO radio and Oregon Peaceworks, tickets are \$8 for members and \$10 for non-members and are available in advance from Grass Roots Bookstore in Corvallis. Food, beer, wine, and non-alcoholic beverages will be served. Call 926-7070.

Auditions for play

The premier production of "Highway One," a new three-act comedy drama by Corvallis playwright Molly Cook, will hold auditions at the Majestic Theater in Corvallis. The play, directed by Ross ("A Few Good Men") Jackson, will be produced in January 1995. The cast calls for men 35-55 and women 35-45. Auditions are Sunday Oct. 30 at 3 p.m. and Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 1-2 at 7 p.m. Call 758-9066 or 737-4425.

Writers fight hunger

Poets and fiction writers from Eugene and Corvallis will join the fight against hunger in Share Our Strength's third annual Writer's Harvest. All proceeds will go directly to national and local hunger relief groups. The event will take place at the Majestic Theater in Corvallis Wednesday Oct. 26 at 7:30 p.m. Writers include Betty Campbell, Jennifer Cornell, James D. Houston, and many others from this area. Tickets are \$5 for students and \$10 for non-students and will be on sale at the door. Proceeds will go toward fighting hunger in the Corvallis area. For more information call 753-8251.

Halloween Party

Corvallis Parks and Recreation invites all international visitors and their families to a Halloween party to introduce them to the Halloween custom. The public is invited to attend this free event to try out a new costume and make a friend. There will be games and prizes for children. Pool, ping-pong, and refreshments will also be available. For more information call 757-6918.

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review

'The Wedding Banquet' adds new twist to matrimony

by Paul Turner
of The Commuter

A film titled "The Wedding Banquet" may bring to mind visions of "Father of the Bride" (Spencer Tracy or Steve Martin) or "Four Weddings and a Funeral." Even a glance of "The Wedding Banquet" video box reveals the typical wedding portrait of the bride, the groom and the best man.

But a closer look reveals what sets this film apart from the usual matrimony movies—the groom and the best man are holding hands.

"The Wedding Banquet" was made in New York by Chinese filmmaker Ang Lee in 1993. Also in current release he has "Eat Drink Man Woman," which has been getting rave reviews across the country.

Much of "Wedding Banquet" is in Chinese with English subtitles, which accents the theme of the film: The fusion of Chinese and American cultures. What is a gay, Chinese, New York yuppie to do when his China-based parents keep trying to get him married (to women) and are unaware that his proclivities sway toward his own gender?

The solution seems to be to marry a Taiwanese tenant who is an art student and in need of a green card. He alerts his parents that he will be hitched, so they can stop sending the match-making applications. The parents are delighted. So delighted they grab the next 747 across the pond to attend the happy event.

Down come the photos of lovers doing those things that lovers seem obsessed about photographing, and up goes the traditional Chinese decor. Mom and dad arrive in America to find their son and soon-to-be wife comfortable in their happy home—with the groom's real lover, who is disguised as a housemate.

The contrived deceptions escalate to prevent the parents from knowing why everybody but the groom wants to kiss the bride. One lie spawns another and the house of cards always seems ready to blow down.

When the parents arrive, the film almost becomes a

documentary of a traditional Chinese wedding, with all the customs and nuances of the wedding banquet. The very essence of this rich culture with all its rituals and expectations makes the Charles and Di nuptials seem like a routine trip to city hall. And a trip to city hall was all "The Wedding Banquet" trio had planned, until the Chinese way of doing things arrived on a China Airways Boeing. Before the couple can stop it they are surrounded by literally hundreds of people known more to the restaurant owner than to the family—which is the way they do it over there.

And if that weren't enough to carry a story, the bride, played wonderfully by May Chin, actually seems to be looking forward to the wedding night. The groom, played impressively by Winston Chow, has to use every particle of self control to keep his skin from sliding off and crawling under the sofa when forced to appear passionate about a female. Mitchell Lichtenstien, the token Anglo who plays the best man and groom's main squeeze, tries to maintain their relationship even with the parents under the same roof.

What happens on the wedding night creates an unexpected momentum that carries the film to a rather amazing ending.

If subtitles are a problem, this is a film to avoid. If homosexuality is something considered best left to "Yes on 13" bumper stickers and bad jokes, this movie will cause discomfort.

On the other hand, "The Wedding Banquet" takes the sensationalism out of the homosexual relationship and leaves the viewer watching something akin to "Rosanne" with Mark and David instead of Rosey and Dan. There is no "Philadelphia-izing" of their lifestyle—there is no gay or anti-gay propaganda in flashing neon. It is just a situation that lends itself to surprising comedy, and perhaps a glimpse of what it's like to be gay in a straight society.

"The Wedding Banquet" is rated R for guys kissing guys and the opportunity to learn the 'F' word in Chinese. It runs 108 minutes.

Majestic Theater opens with 'Butterflies'

Leonard Gershe's critically-acclaimed play "Butterflies Are Free" opens Thursday Oct. 20 at the Majestic Theater in Corvallis.

The play is about a blind man who falls in love with the girl next door. His over-protective mother, however, is totally against the idea. She feels that he will be hurt by the girl.

Performances are scheduled Thursday through Sunday, Oct. 20-23 and Thursday through Saturday, Oct. 27-29. Curtain time for Thursday through Saturday is 8:15 p.m. The Sunday matinee starts at 2:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$5 Thursday and all other days are \$6 general/\$5 seniors and persons under 18.

Reserved tickets are available at Rice's Pharmacy or may be reserved through the Corvallis Coin Shop at 754-8455.

For more information, call Mike Aronson at 753-5111 or 753-2234.

**Play it again Bill**

Photo by Carol Rich

The band "Where To?" performs in the Commons last Wednesday. Band members include Bill Smythe, Fred Towne, Laura Brophy and Molly Schmitt. The band provided the first monthly "Rhythm on Rye" noon hour entertainment, sponsored by Student Programs.

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Heartbreaker

After battling to a 2-2 standoff, Roadrunners come up short in the decisive fifth game, 16-14

by Bill Chiaffino
of The Commuter

The Lady Roadrunners went into last Wednesday's home game prepared for the quick attack of Clackamas, but after splitting the first four sets they dropped the decisive final game.

LB won games 1 and 3 by scores of 15-8 and 15-9, to send the match to an exciting fifth and final game. The Roadrunners got off to a slow start in the last game and soon found themselves trailing by 10, 13-3. But behind the aggressive play of Michelle Burnett and Carrie Surmon, LB bounced back to make things interesting. With the crowd's support, the Lady Roadrunners roared back to trail by just one, 14-13.

The gym then fell silent when Clackamas appeared to have won the match, 15-13, but an out-of-rotation

call gave LB another chance. Unfortunately, LB couldn't manage one more point, and lost the heart-breaker, 16-14.

"As far as scores, it was back and forth between the two teams," coach Jayme Frazier said. "In the last game we missed too many serves—four in a row and six overall."

Despite good serving by Amy Gerig and the aggressive play of Darci Powell on both offense and defense, the Lady Roadrunners were unable to better their record and dropped their third league game.

"Even though our record doesn't show it, I think we are one of the better teams in our league," said coach Frazier.

Shelly West and Burnett led the team in kills with 17 and 16. Amy Gerig gathered 24 digs and Carrie Surmon collected three blocks. Samantha Bond led in assists with 36.

LB will play two home matches this weekend. Friday they take on Chemeketa at 7 p.m. and on Saturday they play Lane starting at 1 p.m.



Photo by Jessica Sprenger

Darci Powell digs for a ball during last Wednesday's match against Clackamas, in which the Roadrunners fell 3-2. Powell had six digs in the match.

Men's basketball team will look toward new players for strength

by Bill Chiaffino
of The Commuter

Entering his fourth season as head coach of the LBCC men's basketball program, Coach Randy Falk brings with him enthusiasm and perhaps his best recruiting class as coach.

With only two members remaining from last year's team—6-foot-6 wing Greg Obrist and 6-foot-6 post Aaron Mickey—Falk had much recruiting to do over the spring and summer.

Thirty-five athletes tried out and the roster was eventually cut to only 14, all of which Falk feels have the potential to be starters.

"This is the best recruiting class since I've been coach," said Falk. "They come from winning programs and have winning mentalities and

abilities."

Sean Eaton, a 6-foot-4 transfer from Southern Oregon, and 5-foot-10 freshman point guard Jeff Taylor from Marist are just two of the 12 new players for the Roadrunners this season.

With their ability to work well together, Falk said that the team has the ability to accomplish good things.

"They must mentally understand, to be successful they must put the team first and individual second," said Falk.

After a 4-10 record last season, Falk is anxious for the 94-95 season to get started.

Official practice begins Oct. 17 and the first game of the season is on Nov. 28 against the Willamette J.V.s.

LB dominates PCC, but loses to Mt. Hood

by Jessica Sprenger
of The Commuter

The LB volleyball team split a pair of games this weekend, dominating Portland Community College, 15-4, 15-11, 15-4, on Friday, then losing to Mt. Hood 15-11, 15-14, 15-6.

Against PCC on Friday, Shelly West led the Roadrunners with eight kills. Amy Gerig contributed seven and also had six service aces. Lynette Murdock

was 4-for-4 hitting and Samantha Bond chipped in 18 assists. On Saturday against Mt. Hood, West again led the team offensively with 10 kills.

"We just didn't come to play on Saturday," LB coach Jayme Frazier said.

"It was a different team than I saw last week, which means we're still battling inconsistency between matches." LB, now 2-5 in league, travels to Umpqua for a match tonight.

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OPINION

commentary

Society shouldn't try to control death

by Marla J. Lawrence
of The Commuter

"To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under Heaven."

These lyrics are from a song that was popular in the sixties, the lyrics having been borrowed from the Book of Ecclesiastes and set to music to protest American involvement in Southeast Asia.

I've always felt there was more to these lyrics, however, than just an anti-war message. It seems to me that what the original writer meant to tell us was something like, "Stop trying to control everything!"

This sentiment is what causes me to urge you to vote No on Measure 16, the so-called "right-to-die" or "death with dignity" initiative.

I don't believe our society has the compassion or the maturity to practice mercy killing without eventually giving in to the temptation to abuse it. Until we learn to see people as something other than commodities, we shouldn't even be debating such a delicate issue.

It's not that this measure lacks safeguards—in fact I think it was very well-written, given our culture's limited patience with complex social concerns. But we're only kidding ourselves if we accept the lie that this measure won't hurt anyone.

While its intent to punish coercion is admirable, we won't impose sanctions for anything less than the most flagrant violations. Why? Because we're a selfish society. We're too worried about what we might have to give up in order to take care of people who can't pay us back.

I don't believe our society has the compassion or the maturity to practice mercy killing without eventually giving in to the temptation to abuse it.

And it won't take much to encourage the old and the poor to "choose" suicide when they become terminally ill: all we have to do is keep denying them access to full health care, which serves to remind them that they are of limited value and therefore expendable.

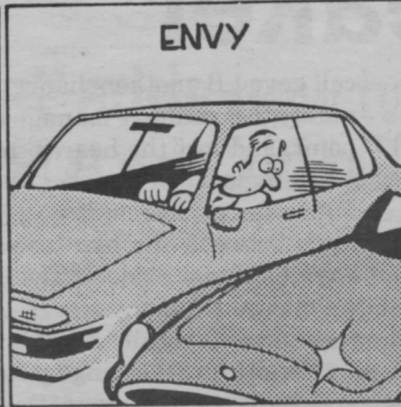
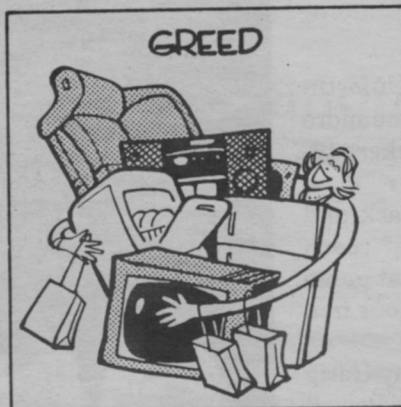
Measure 16 is trying to do a noble thing—relieve human suffering—for all the wrong reasons.

In Great Britain and other developed countries where there is little of the Puritanism that still rules our public policy, physicians use a drug "cocktail" made up of several different painkillers in amounts that keep patients virtually pain-free. It's not perfect, of course, but it's hardly the stuff of medical horror stories featuring people who are kept alive indefinitely with tubes and machines, and it's a lot more compassionate than our system of offering only partial pain relief while making zombies out of them with sedatives.

Now, why does our society view suicide as a better alternative? Because we'd rather see people kill themselves than risk becoming addicted in their last few months of life? Because we're too impatient to let nature take its course? Or because we just can't bear the thought of not being able to control everything?

Death is the most personal issue we will ever face, and as such it deserves much more consideration than we are capable of giving it at this point in time. America needs to grow up a little more before it can make this kind of decision wisely.

Please vote No on Measure 16.



THE 6 VIRTUES OF CONSUMER CULTURE

ellen goodman

New kind of politician: Anomaly or antidote?

SOMERVILLE, MASS. —The brick row house in the working class neighborhood is almost deceptively quiet this Sunday afternoon. The only sign of a political campaign is the Bob Massie bumper sticker on the car across from the playground.

As I come in, the two Massie boys are heading off with their mother to get new sneakers for growing feet that continually test the family budget. In the modest kitchen the cookbook is propped open to a recipe for pumpkin soup.

Bob Massie, Episcopal minister and Democratic candidate for lieutenant governor of Massachusetts, has something rare these days: a free afternoon. But he comes to the kitchen and to this conversation with a single word on his mind: cynic.

This five-letter word has become the title of the 1994 political season, the neon sign flashing over the campaign, over the relationship between the governors and the governed. Massie doesn't need polls to show him the landscape of disaffected voters, of candidates running against the government they want to take over, of negative ads and more negative advisers.

But this morning, he went to the dictionary. "A cynic," he recites from memory now, "is someone who believes that all people are solely motivated by self-interest." The cynical are those who continuously question the motives of others. The synonyms that his dictionary lists are "mocking, sneering."

If there is one thing Bob Massie is not, it's a cynic. He is, rather, a newcomer who won the Democratic primary, and is now Mark Roosevelt's running mate in a long-shot race against Gov. William Weld and Lt. Gov. Paul Celluci. He's also the man who possesses one of the most unusual biographies in politics.

This boyish-looking son of Robert and Suzanne Massie, who co-authored "Nicholas and Alexandra," was born 38 years ago with hemophilia. He went to Princeton, Yale Divinity School and Harvard Business School. He worked for Scoop Jackson and Ralph Nader. He's a pastor, a teacher, a writer.

Like most hemophiliacs of his age, Massie was infected with HIV through blind transfusions. Like the lucky minority, he remains healthy and symptom free more than 10 years later.

For years now, Massie has been an ethicist in business settings and a business teacher at the Harvard Divinity School. For just 10 months, he's been the politician who understands both.

If some see contradictions in his history, Massie sees connections: "The themes have always been the

same... the basic questions of principle: How should we live? ... And how do we get there?"

Massie is a rare political creature who believes candidates are asked too little about their deepest beliefs. At one end of politics, we may see the religious right rating congressional bills on a scale of godliness. But at another extreme, we are more likely to ask candidates about monogamy than about how spiritual beliefs are reflected in their politics.



In the narrow sense, Massie believes that it's fair to ask how a person's religion affects the attitudes about values such as

liberty, equality, mutual respect and tolerance. If followers of David Koresh were running for office, those issues would surely be raised.

But in a larger sense, he says, "Everybody has a theology. Everybody has some kind of theory about why we're here, whether it's random or not, what's really important."

This 'theology' has an enormous, but largely unheralded effect on government. Our view of human nature skews the welfare debate. Our belief in progress or decline is translated into policy questions like: "Do we really believe that our children can lead a better life?"

As a minister and politician, Massie is eager to make these connections. He explains in detail why he opposes state gambling and the death penalty, why he is against welfare bashing and in

favor of health care reform. But even he knows how rarely these words are heard in the boxing ring of politics where money and soundbites deliver the knockout blows. Tim Wirth, undersecretary of state, described Massie to me as "the closest thing we have in politics to a saint." But a friend asks more archly: "What's a guy like him doing in a job like this?" What's an HIV-positive minister with a couple of young sons doing in politics?

When I ask, Massie says, "when I became HIV positive, is added to my sense of each day as precious. ... It's important to do the things that matter and not to waste your time on trivia."

This year, we are suffering from the seasonal affective disorder of politics. It's hard to know if one candidate for lieutenant governor is an antidote or just an anomaly. But on this Sunday, I've met a citizen with no time to waste on trivia. Not even such trivial stuff as cynicism.

EXPRESSIONS

NEVER ENDING WAR. . .

They're in the streets fighting hand and hand, woman to woman, man to man. It's whites against blacks, races against races, fighting for their rights, with blood on their faces.

It's a nightmare come true, lifeless bodies, faces turning blue. It's never gonna end, no ones gonna win, it's a never ending war. . .

They're in the streets, fighting for their own, hear the children crying, in the battle zone. Sister against sister, brother against brother, with guns and knives, killing one another.

It's a nightmare come true, lifeless bodies, faces turning blue. It's a never ending war. . .

Do you hear the crying, there in the dark, it's a lost soul praying, with all its heart. Thunder and lightning hits the skies, tear drops falling, from an angel's eyes. People pleading with all their might, asking for forgiveness, for their sins tonight. When up above, shines the heavenly light, to end this war once and for all, and make it right. . .

It's a never ending war, it's been going on since the beginning of time, for so long now, we've all been so blind, if only people could see, none of us are really free. This is my version of how this racist war could end, no one will win.

By Mark Dumas

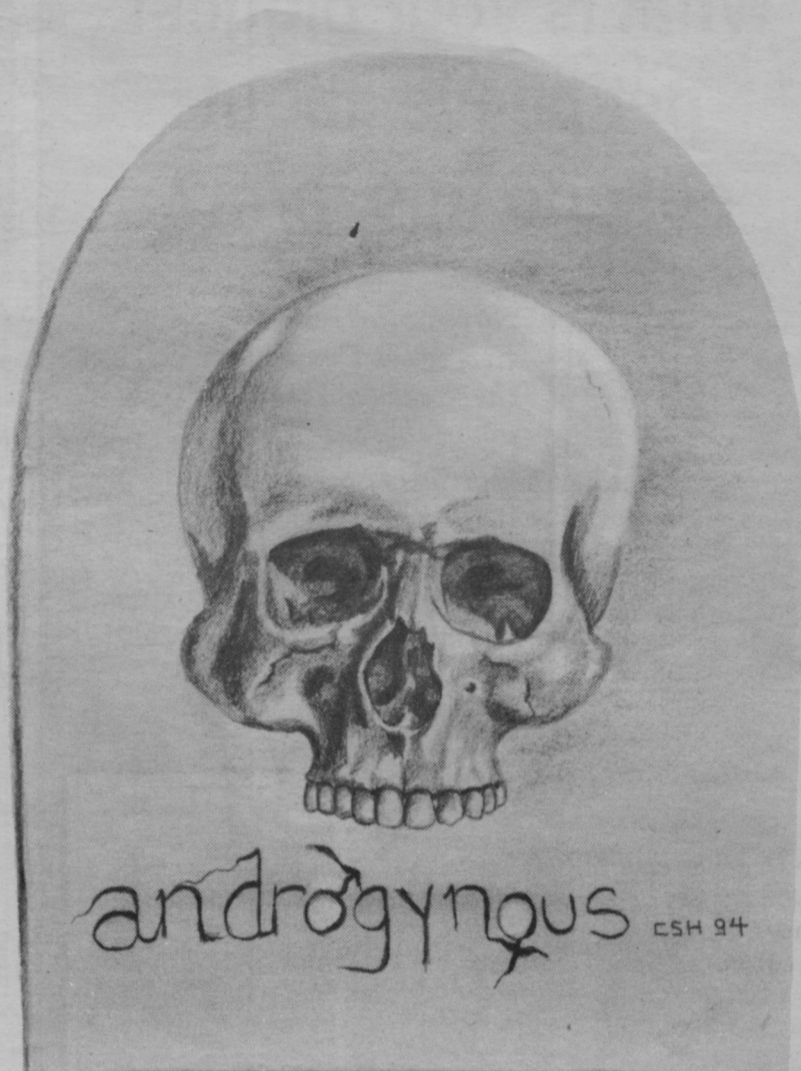


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an-drog-y-nous (adj.) -1. Having female and male characteristics in one [Latin *androgynus*, from Greek *androgynos*.] ANDRO + -GYNOUS. -an•drog'y•n.



Photo by Melissa Richmond

THE LAST WORD

you said it

What is your biggest pet peeve about college this term?



Having the Family Resources Center way down there, like a quarter of a mile down there. I have ten minutes to get a cup of boiling water for hot chocolate. I end up running to get to class on time.

Janelle Reese, Nenana, Alaska Nursing

The stairs—all of them. By the time you get to class, you're gasping for breath. I sometimes take the elevator, but it's too slow and I end up late for class.

Angela VanDyver, Sweet Home First year



I don't like group studies. I like to work independently, not in a team setting. If they want to change the style in the U.S., they should have team-work classes. We have to be individuals. It's un-American. Americans have always been independent.

Richard Childers, Corvallis Hazardous Materials Management

People, as in people in general. The public sucks. I deal with my problem by frowning a lot and by generally being antisocial.

Rebecca Zelenka, Scio Second year, Criminal Justice



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- The Shipping News**, by E. Annie Proulx. (Touchstone, \$12.00.) Newspaperman returns to his childhood home after death of his wife.
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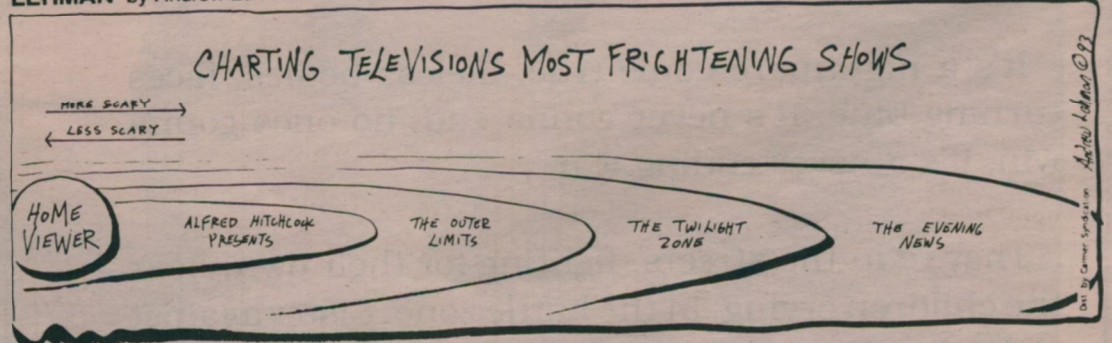
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Far better it is to dare mighty things, to win glorious triumphs, even though checkered by failure, than to take rank with those poor spirits who neither enjoy much nor suffer much, because they live in the gray twilight that knows not victory nor defeat.

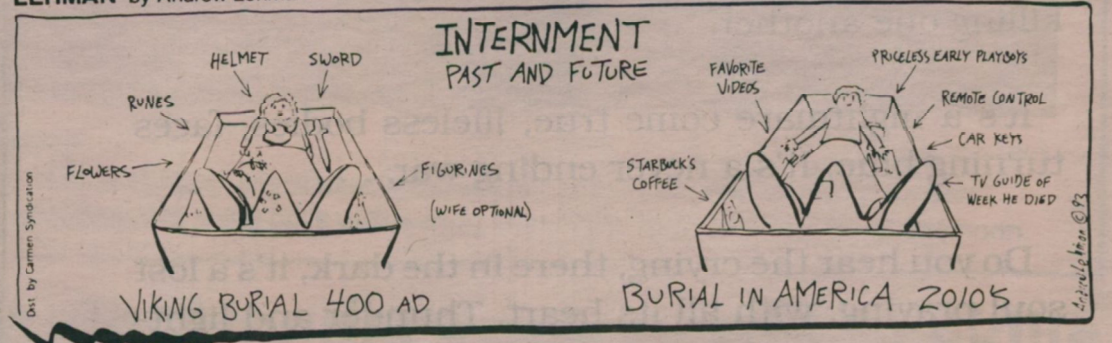
—Theodore Roosevelt

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Crossword 101

"Up in the Air"

By Gerry Frey

- ACROSS**
- Davenport
 - Broom
 - Mr. Flintstone
 - Cross words
 - Suit of
 - Excuse type
 - Close to
 - Poet John
 - Opera solo
 - Airplane manufacturer
 - Former airline
 - At the age of: Latin
 - Harass
 - Author Gertrude
 - Petrol
 - Memos
 - Type of surgery
 - Actor Holbrook
 - Dream
 - Aaron's tool
 - Early aircraft
 - Bikini part
 - Exemplars
 - NY's neighbor
 - Row
 - Bottle resident
 - Comes before voyage
 - Small nails
 - Played the film again
 - Snake
 - Whirlybird
 - Airplane engine type
 - Huge sandwich
 - Concur
 - Leisure
 - U.S. citizen
 - Dogma
 - Pasta
 - Plant part
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 - Type of sch.

- DOWN**
- Carol
 - Sunday punch
 - Wife in Munich
 - Lofty letters

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- Mideast prince
- College official
- Chess pieces
- Common or horse
- Gondola carrier
- Ferber's novel
- Commerce
- Consumed
- Mountain pass
- Leg bone
- Miscued
- Montgomery Ward competitor
- Towel word
- Picnic pest
- TV word censor
- Columnist Landers
- Hangar locale
- Circus aerial
- Entered rudely
- Catcall
- Lariat
- Kansas City's George
- Scorch
- Blood prefix
- Cookie type
- Bird sound
- Prison
- Italian city
- Athletic group
- Ribonucleic acid: Abr.

See page 3 for crossword answers