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Mohammed Moussaoui of Corvallis offers a Middle Easterner's perspective on the Persian Gulf conflict at last week's town meeting in Albany.

Citizens gather in Albany to debate U.S. presence in the Middle East

By Tim VanSlyke
Of The Commuter

More than a hundred people debated the U.S. presence in the Gulf at Albany's Veteran's Memorial Hall last Wednesday, a week before this morning's U.N. deadline and a day before Congress assembled to debate America's position in the Middle East.

Sponsored by a group calling itself "Citizens for a Negotiated Settlement in the Middle East," the town meeting was organized in order to allow citizens an opportunity to air their opinions and hopefully impress them upon their congressional representatives.

LBCC political science instructor Doug Clark, spokesperson for the group and moderator of the forum, began the discussion by speaking on the constitutional aspects of war. "In our lifetimes the checks and balances

process has often been circumvented by undeclared, presidentially initiated wars," said Clark. "In fact the U.S. last fought a constitutionally declared war from 1942 to 1945. In the years since, as our nation has been involved in wars or military actions on an average of once every 18 months, we've learned that leaving decisions about war and peace and the lives of our brothers and sisters and neighbors to a small group of national elites is folly.

"In the Gulf Crisis the time and the opportunity for the process of political debate, which our constitution encourages, is available to us," said Clark. "Democracies go to war only when the citizens have decided that it is necessary."

Clark's comments set the stage for the debate that followed, as the citizens exercised

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Hard Decisions

Carnahan promises details on \$500,000 in budget cuts within next 30 days

Kathe Nielsen
The Commuter

Even before Governor Barbara Roberts released her proposed budget cuts for 1991-92 last Thursday, LBCC budget committee members had mapped out guidelines for reductions of just over a half million dollars.

Reducing staff and faculty, curtailing student services, eliminating programs of study and possible hiking tuition are ways the committee plans to lower LBCC's expected 1991-deficit of \$543,748.

While specifics on exactly what and who will be cut is still in the process of being decided, LBCC President Jon Carnahan promised to release those details within 30 days.

"We're talking about really hard decisions that are going to impact people—but it's not really going to tear apart the college—that's what I'm trying to protect is the comprehensiveness of what we do for as many people as we can do it for. I think we can make these reductions and still be strong. We're going to offer fewer things and maybe fewer programs, but we're going to do a good job on those that we do have." Carnahan said that "probably several kinds of programs will be cut, more than one," but that 95 percent of them will remain.

The Faculty Association And the Classified Association have been informed that the college is in a reduction mode and that there may be reductions in their workforce. "They have not been officially notified. They know the process that I'm in," said Carnahan, "I fully intend to let people know who will be

affected well before March 15, that's what the contracts call for."

One method not being considered in efforts to lower college expenses is enrollment caps at LB. Carnahan believes that enrollment will be self-limiting. "What we'll do is limit students based on space, like we did in the fall."

But tuition increases are being considered. By late January, the budget committee will meet to hold discussions on the possibility of a tuition hike. "We certainly aren't looking at what higher ed is going to do (40 percent increases), we recognize that students cannot carry the burden of that, but we will look at tuition as a source of revenue.

"What I envision the budget committee doing after we make the reductions," said Carnahan, "is talking about additional revenues through tuition or fees, then taking those revenues we generate and enhancing those programs remaining."

We all have to recognize the problem the state is having due to the impact of Measure 5 according to Carnahan. "What I think they need to do is come up with another source of revenue that's dedicated to education, get us off of the liability back of the state government and support the heck out of us."

"Although it's a very, very difficult time to be president of the college, it is something that I think is manageable. I've got confidence in the staff. We're going to get through this and we're going to continue to be a strong college. It's a difficult situation but we're going to make the best of it."

King commemoration planned for Monday

By Sandra Grimes
Of The Commuter

Several events have been scheduled to provide an opportunity for LBCC students to recognize Martin Luther King Day on Monday, Jan. 21.

Between 9 and 11 a.m. two films will be shown in the Fireside Room-- "Ida B. Wells, A Passion for Justice," and "That Rhythm, Those Blues."

At 11 a.m. in Takena Theater Sam Smith, a Seattle vocalist, will present an hour-long performance featuring soul and rhythm and blues songs from the King era. Smith has opened for such stars as Gladys Knight and the Pips, Jeffrey Osborne, Shannon and Atlantic Starr.

Following the concert, LBCC President Jon Carnahan will lead the audience in two minutes of silence in respect for King.

A keynote address will be presented by Willie Richardson, director of the Salem-Kaiser Board of Education, will conclude the celebration. Richardson was named one of Salem's Ten Most Influential Women in 1987. In 1988 she received the Human Rights Commission's Good Citizen Award and the First Woman Award from Oregon's Women Political Caucus.

Carnahan is encouraging instructors to cancel classes between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. so students can take part in the scheduled activities. All the activities are free and open to the public.

POINT OF VIEW

COMMUTER EDITORIAL

As gloomy news events press in from all sides, the sun goes ominously dark

If in fact the day is darkest before the dawn, this must be our darkest hour.

Apparently, all known efforts to negotiate peace in the Middle East have failed. Last week's meeting between Secretary of State Baker and Iraq's Foreign Minister Aziz failed after six hours. On Sunday, UN Secretary General Perez de Cuellar's talks in Baghdad broke down with him saying, "Only God knows whether there will be war."

Also over the weekend, Congress ended days of well publicized debate by dealing President Bush his final missing card—authority to order military force. We can only hope that he's not holding a hand of "aces and eights" for all of us.

Nearly a million soldiers from both sides were positioned in the 88 square miles in the sand awaiting the dawn of Jan. 15 while the rumble of Soviet tanks echoed through the streets of far off Vilnius, Lithuania.

And while President Bush condemned the Soviet's deployment of troops into that nation's capital, calling it a "set back" to the process of reform in the new international order, FBI agents knocked at the doors of Arab-Americans.

Meanwhile, the words of renowned civil-rights activist, Martin Luther King Jr., come to mind: "Only when its dark enough can you see the stars." Are there any stars out there? Our society, once heralded for its "thousand points of light," is as a whole, desperately searching for one little glimmer of hope.

On the homefront, the outlook is gloomy as well. The "R" word has been reentered into the vocabulary of our national economy and Oregon is not exempt. Unemployment in Oregon is at its highest since 1987. Gov. Barbara Roberts was forced to propose spending cuts of \$570 million in order to deal with the effects of the passage of Measure 5 and of the slowing economy.

Those budget cuts will cast a long shadow across our own campus. Another "R" word—retrenchment—reenters the vocabulary of LBCC administrators forcibly. President Jon Carnahan is faced with the unenviable task of deciding how these cuts will be accomplished, whether through cuts in staff and/or programs, limiting enrollment, increasing tuition or some combination.

And there is no light at the end of this tunnel. Even if we learn to live with the impact of these cuts, without replacing property tax resources with another source of income, most likely a sales tax, more cuts will gouge even deeper during the second half of the biennium.

As 1991 enfolds us in its gloomy cloak, is it any wonder that we incredulously shake our heads and question what ever happened to the spark of optimism, the blaze of hope ignited by the events in Europe only one year ago?

In light of the world's tenuous hold on stability and sanity, it's also not surprising that we regressed to a Dark Ages mentality as we watched our greatest source of light—the sun—slip behind the moon on Jan. 15. Was the uncanny timing of the partial eclipse merely an unnerving coincidence, an unamusing cosmic irony, or an unsettling portent of things to come?

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LETTERS

Reader outraged over LBCC treatment of King holiday

To the Editor:

I protest the greatest civil rights leader in our history not being properly celebrated by LBCC. LBCC is proposing to "celebrate" Martin Luther King Day by a few films, a few minutes of silence and a speaker.

OSU is closed for the day in honor of Mr. King. In fact all Corvallis schools are closed. I believe the issue is that Mr. King deserves to get the same treatment as other American heroes. The issue is not what we do with our day off.

I will not attend any of my classes on Jan. 21 in protest. I invite all of my fellow students to take the day off in protest as well. There will be petitions available to sign the week of the 14th. Look for them on the bulletin board across from the Women's Center, second floor, IA building.

LBCC, I ask you to reconsider. I believe the board's decision is unbelievably wrong. How can any institution not observe Martin Luther King Jr. Day with a full holiday? This man was the leader of the greatest civil rights movement in our country's history. His commitment, courage, and strength educated all of us.

Karen Helton
Education

It's time for America to fight for freedom in the Gulf

To the editor:

I am old enough to remember the Vietnam War. I could not go in to the service, due to the disability that I have. I think war is not good, but the Bible tells us that there are going to be wars and rumors of wars throughout the history of man's civilization.

I would rather see us not in the Persian Gulf—and families torn apart—but I have relatives now in the area. I hope that we could

have had a peaceable resolution, but since Hussein is a difficult man to talk to and not willing to talk, I feel that the only thing we could do right now is fight for the freedom and the right to keep the oil out of the hands of a dictator, someone like Hitler. Even though the time limit is at the zero hour for Hussein either to back out of Kuwait or start shooting he is the one that declared war on us—by the takeover of the embassies that we and other nations have over there, and by killing his own people. That is asinine, and that is why I have compared him to Hitler.

Regardless of the outcome, I will still uphold the convictions that I have on the subject of the Persian Gulf; even though my brother might end up over there.

Rusty Burton

Oops!

A headline in the Jan. 9 issue of The Commuter erroneously stated that the LBCC Family Resource Center was the recipient of a \$31k grant. The grant was made to LBCC Family Resource Department.

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 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.

POINT OF VIEW

'The War Prayer'

Twain's timeless essay offers sobering view of war

Mark Twain

It was a time of great and exalting excitement.

... It was indeed a glad and gracious time, and the half-dozen rash spirits that ventured to disapprove of the war and cast doubt upon its righteousness straightway got such stern and angry warning that for their personal safety's sake they quickly shrank out of sight and defended no more in that way.

Sunday morning came—next day the battalions would leave for the front; the church was filled; the volunteers were there, their young faces alight with martial dreams...

The service proceeded; a war chapter from the Old Testament was read; the first prayer was said...

Then came the "long" prayer. None could remember the like of it for passionate pleading and moving and beautiful language.

The burden of its supplication was that an ever-merciful and benignant Father of us all would watch over our noble young soldiers and aid, comfort, and encourage them in their patriotic work; bless them, shield them in the day of battle and the hour of peril, bear them in His mighty hand, make them strong and confident, invincible in the bloody onset, help them crush the foe, grant to them and to their land and country imperishable honor and glory.

An aged stranger entered and moved with slow and noiseless step up the main aisle... With all eyes following him and wondering, he made his silent way; without pausing, he ascended to the preacher's side and stood there, waiting.

With shut lids the preacher, unconscious of his presence, continued his moving prayer, and at last finished it with the words, uttered in fervent appeal, "Bless our arms, grant us this victory, O Lord our God, Father and Protector of our land and flag!"

The stranger touched his arm, motioned him to step aside—which the startled minister did—and took his place.

"I come from the Throne—bearing a message from Almighty God!"

The words smote the house with a shock; if the stranger perceived it he gave no attention.

"He has heard the prayer of His servant, your shepherd, and will grant it if such shall have explained to you its import—that is to say, its full import. For it is like unto many prayers of men, in that it asks for more than he who utters it is aware of—except he pause and think.

God's servant and yours has prayed his prayer. Has he paused and taken thought? Is it one prayer? No, it is two—one uttered, the other not. Both have reached the ear of Him Who heareth all supplications, the spoken and the unspoken.

"Ponder this—keep it in mind. If you would beseech a blessing upon yourself, beware! lest without intent you invoke a curse upon a neighbor at the same time. If you pray for the blessing of rain upon your crop which need it, by that act you are possibly praying for a curse upon some neighbor's crop which may not

need rain and can be injured by it.

"You have heard your servant's prayer—the uttered part of it. I am commissioned of God to put into words the other part of it—that part which the pastor, and also you in your hearts, fervently prayed silently.

"And ignorantly and unthinkingly? God grant that it was so!

"You heard these words: 'Grant us the victory, O Lord our God!' That is sufficient. The whole of the uttered prayer is compact into those pregnant words. Elaborations were not necessary.

"When you have prayed for victory you have prayed for many unmentioned results which follow victory—must follow it, cannot help but follow it. Upon the listening spirit of God the Father fell also the unspoken part of the prayer. He commandeth me to put it into words.

"LISTEN!

"O Lord our Father, our young patriots, idols of our hearts, go forth to battle—be Thou near them! With them in spirit, we also go forth from the sweet peace of our beloved firesides to smite the foe.

"O Lord our God, help us to tear their soldiers to bloody shreds with our shells; help us to cover their smiling fields with the pale forms of their patriot dead; help us to drown the thunder of the guns with the shrieks of their wounded, writhing in pain; help us to lay waste their humble homes with a hurricane of fire; help us to wring the hearts of their unoffending widows with unavailing grief; help us to turn them out roofless with their little children to wander unfriended the wastes of their desolated land in rags and hunger and thirst, sports of the sun flames of summer and the icy winds of winter, broken in spirit, worn with travail, imploring Thee for the refuge of the grave and denied it—for our sakes who adore Thee, Lord, blast their hopes, blight their lives, protract their bitter pilgrimage, make heavy their steps, water their way with their tears, stain the white snow with the blood of their wounded feet!

"We ask it, in the spirit of love, of Him Who is the Source of Love, and Who is the ever-faithful refuge and friend of all that are sore beset and seek His aid with humble and contrite hearts. AMEN."

After a pause: "Ye have prayed it; if ye still desire it, speak! The messenger of the Most High waits."

It was believed afterward that the man was a lunatic, because there was no sense in what he said.

(Portions of this essay have been edited)

'We cannot hesitate'

Bush explains Gulf policy in open letter to students

To the Editor:

In an effort to explain his view of the Gulf crisis to college age Americans, President Bush has written the following message to college newspapers across the country.

If armed men invaded a home in this country, killed those in their way, stole what they wanted and then announced the house was now theirs—no-one would hesitate about what must be done.

And that is why we cannot hesitate about what must be done halfway around the world: in Kuwait.



There is much in the modern world that is subject to doubts or questions—washed in shades of gray. But not the brutal aggression of Saddam Hussein against a peaceful, sovereign nation and its people. It's black and white. The

facts are clear. The choice unambiguous.

Right vs. wrong. The terror Saddam Hussein has imposed upon Kuwait violated every principle of human decency. Listen to what Amnesty International has documented. "Widespread abuses of human rights have been perpetrated by Iraqi forces...arbitrary arrest and detention without trial of thousands...widespread torture...imposition of the death penalty and the extrajudicial execution of hundreds of unarmed civilians, including children."

Including children. There's no horror that could make this a more obvious conflict of good vs. evil. The man who used chemical warfare on his own people—once again including children—now oversees public hangings of dissenters. And daily his troops commit atrocities against Kuwaiti citizens.

This brutality has reverberated throughout the entire world. If we don't follow the dictates of our inner moral compass and stand up for human life, then his lawlessness will threaten the peace and democracy of the emerging New World Order we now see: this long dreamed-of vision we've all worked toward for so long.

A year after the joyous dawn of freedom's light in Eastern Europe, a dark evil has descended in another part of the world. But we have the chance—and we had the obligation—to stop ruthless aggression.

I have been in war. I have known the terror of combat. And I tell you this with all my heart: I don't want there to be war ever again. I am determined to do absolutely everything possible in the search for a peaceful resolution to this crisis—but only if the peace is genuine, if it rests on principle, not appeasement.

But while we search for that answer, in the Gulf young men and women are putting their own lives on hold in order to stand for peace in

our world and for the essential value of human life itself. Many are younger than my own children. Your age, most of them. Doing tough duty for something they believe in.

Let me tell you about one of the soldiers over there, S.F.C. Terry Hatfield, a young man from Georgia. He sent me a Christmas card. And this is what he wrote.

"Mr. President, I just wanted you to know my soldiers and I are ready to do whatever mission you decide. Freedom as we know and enjoy has been taken away from another country and must be restored. Although we are separated from family, friends, loved ones, we will do what must be done...We stand ready and waiting. God Bless you and the U.S.A."

Terry understands the moral obligation that has compelled our extraordinary multi-national coalition to make this stand in the Gulf. To look this international terrorist straight in the eye and say: no concessions. To proclaim for now and for the future: no compromises. To bear witness by our presence to the fact that aggression will not be rewarded.

Terry waits thousands of miles from the White House, yet we share the same thoughts. We desperately want peace. But we know that to reward aggression would be to end the promise of our New World Order. To reward aggression would be to destroy the United Nation's promise as international peacekeeper. To reward aggression would be to condone the acts of those who would desecrate the promise of human life itself.

And we will do none of this. There are times in life when we confront values worth fighting for. This is one such time.

Each day that passes means another day for Iraq's forces to dig deeper into their stolen land. Another day Saddam Hussein can work toward building his nuclear arsenal and perfecting his chemical and biological weapons capability. Another day of atrocities for Amnesty International to document. Another day of international outlaws, instead of international law.

I ask you to think about the economic devastation that Saddam Hussein would continue to wreak on the world's emerging democracies if he were in control of one-fifth of the world's oil reserves. And to reflect on the terrible threat that a Saddam Hussein armed with weapons of mass destruction already poses to human life and to the future of all nations.

Together, as an American united against these horrors, we can, with our coalition partners, assure that this aggression is stopped and the principles on which this nation and the rest of the civilized world are founded are preserved.

And so let us remember and support Terry Hatfield, all our fine servicemen and women, as they stand ready on the frontier of freedom, willing to do their duty and do it well. They deserve our complete and enthusiastic support—and lasting gratitude.

George Bush
President

United States of America

ONE OF US

LB student pursues her potential while balancing school and work-load

By Sheryl Baird
Of The Commuter

The cafeteria looks pretty deserted except for a couple of groups of people visiting here and there. Wait. There's a woman studying all by herself.

Hi, I'm Sheryl Baird of The Commuter. Do you have a few minutes?

"Sure," says Roxana Haley, an undeclared major from Alsea.

Why are you at LB?

"Mostly because of my husband's influence. He started back to school here at LB in the summer of 1988. This fall is his first year in the nursing program.



Roxana Haley

"Also, I wanted to go into elementary education after high school but the time wasn't right. So, it's always been in the background. When my husband said to do what I want to do, I came back to school.

"Elementary ed is my long-term goal. Where I go when I finish core classes here depends on what and where my husband is in his nursing.

"Everyday my husband and I play 'beat the bus' back to Alsea. Our sons, Kim, age nine, and Corey, age seven, arrive home at 4 p.m. So if we leave school at 3 p.m., we just make it home in time.

"Our daughter, Casey, age five, goes to the family resource center and says she loves her school. It sure makes it a lot easier for me to know she's happy and real close, in case something happens.

"I had planned on taking only a couple of classes to get back into the swing of things, but ended up with 15 credits. I'm enjoying this paper I'm working on for writing. We have to recall a memory and write it down. I'm writing about a strictly pleasurable experience I had as a child. It won't be just for my benefit, it will also be for my kids. They can have a 'bit of my past' that happened when I was about their ages.

"Sometimes it is a struggle to get everyone up and on the bus. To make sure that I did put the baloney in the sandwiches. Once I get to school, I'm okay.

"Everything seems to be falling into place."

"I really enjoy school. I have my family. I have my husband. This is for me. I want to pull it all together, if for no other reason except for myself to know, I can do this!



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John Wilson, a business major who works with campus security, found a box of puppies last week, which were taken to the humane society away by Deputy Arinold of Albany Dog Control. Dogs and cats are often dumped on the campus, according to officials.

Abandoned animals often die due to public apathy, ignorance

By Michele Warren
Of The Commuter

The birth of puppies into many households is a happy occasion. For others, it is a burden—a burden some people don't care to deal with. As a result, puppies and kittens (as well as full-grown cats and dogs) are often abandoned. Dumping pets is illegal in Oregon, and a violator can be fined.

An LBCC security guard found a box of unwanted puppies in a parking lot on the LBCC campus Tuesday.

According to Miriam Kuipers, a secretary for security, animals have been left on campus before. "Usually we find cats or a dog wandering around," said Kuipers. "This is the first time someone found puppies."

The Linn Humane Society claims that pet abandonment is a big problem. They commonly find dogs and other animals tied in front of their office on Hwy 34, according to Helen Smith at the society. She said she believes most people drop off animals at the Linn Humane Society because of its "no kill policy."

"People must feel that if they drop off their pets here they will be fed and cared for," said Smith.

What people don't realize is that, according to the Heartland Humane Society, when the Linn Humane Society has too many animals, it sends them to Heartland in Corvallis. The animals are then put up for adoption; if they are not adopted, they are put to sleep.

Lisa Nyman, Shelter Manager for Heartland, said that a shelter is not a healthy place for these animals. Shelters are stressful and can carry disease, according to Nyman. She said she thinks the main problem is that people are not educated about spaying and neutering procedures.

"There is a low-cost spay and neuter service through the Linn Humane Society," Nyman says. "People really have no excuse for not doing it. At first, people think letting their pet have babies is a great thing. When the babies are born, they realize how much of a burden it really is. Some people choose not to deal with the problem and put the burden on the shelters."

Last year the Heartland Humane Society handled roughly 4,000 animals. Cats outnumbered dogs 3 to 1. Heartland has an estimated 80% euthanasia rate. On peak days (usually late spring), as many as 20 to 30 animals are dropped off per day.

"We are trying to create new programs to help these pets get adopted. People can come out to the shelter and inquire about adopting a cat or dog. The older pets are often the ones left homeless," says Nyman. "When it comes right down to it, spaying and neutering is the only sure way we are going to be able to solve the pet overpopulation in our community. We just keep waiting to see the number of unwanted pets go down."

One of the puppies found at LBCC was adopted before it even left campus. The rest were taken to the Linn County Animal Control Shelter on Ferry Street in Albany. They, too, will need to find a home or be put to sleep, as another reminder of the irresponsible nature of a pet owner.

OUTDOOR OREGON

Advantages vary with metal or Fiberglas boats

By Bill Kremers
For The Commuter

Editor's Note: This is the second in a series of articles on what to look for when buying a drift boat.

Aluminum boats are regarded as the toughest boats on the market. These boats can take a lot of punishment and be stored outside. Aluminum sticks to rocks, so the bottom of the boat must be coated with Gluvit so it will slide. Aluminum also oxidizes when left out in the sun or rain, and will chalk out.

Metal boats are noisy; when you hit a rock, everyone on the river will know it. They're also cold in the winter and hot in the summer. Good aluminum boats have three to four coats of Zolatone to prevent oxidation and an interlocking extrusion along the bottom chines where the bottom and sides come together. Aluminum should be constructed of marime alloy. Check for the thickness of metal used; it should be between 80 and 125 gauge. The thicker the material, the more abuse the boat can take. The drawbacks are that the added weight makes the boat harder to row, and the cost is higher.

If you're hunting for a used metal boat, check for weld fatigue or cracks in the welds, bottom wear, dents in the chines, an dents in the side that have been pounded back out.

Fiberglas boats are now competing for the aluminum driftboat market. Fiberglas is the strongest material for its weight on the market today. It's flexible, so it takes rock blows well, and with the gelcoat finish it slides easily over rocks. One feature to look for is level floor boards that keep you off the flexible bottom when you are trying to fish.

When looking at the glas boats, make sure the Fiberglas has been hand laid. The bottom chines should have either a full or moderately curved radius, and not a square edge. The bottom should have either three or four plies of Fiberglas, and the bottom chines should be about three-fourths inch thick since they take most of the rock blows. Sides should be tapered from three-fourths inch at the bottom chine to three-sixteenths inch at the rail.

Be very weight conscience when buying a Fiberglas boat; you only want a heavy boat if it will receive hard use in rocky rivers. When buying a used glass boat, check carefully for cracks, bottom wear (is the fiberglas showing?), chips on the bottom chine and for any major patch work.

One question to ask when buying any used boat is where it was stored. Sunlight is hard on any type of boat. Try and get a feeling for how the person cared for his boat. Did he put a cover on it? Was it kept clean? Was he a good rower?

(To be continued)

Apply Now!

Changes in financial aid procedures and scarce funds will require prompt filing

Barbara Mabe
The Commuter

Students hoping to receive financial aid for the coming school year should consider applying now. Caught between changing funds and new application procedures, late-filing students could run into difficulty.

According to Sally Wojahn, financial aid coordinator at LBCC, "Students need to get their aid applications in by the end of January to be sure of getting a piece of the ever-shrinking pie."

Each year the availability of funds varies. "Between increases in criteria at four-year colleges, the current job market, and government cuts, a lot of things impact when we run out of money," said Wojahn.

Some money doesn't run out, such as Pell Grants and student loans. "But other types of aid, Work Study and Perkins Loans for instance, are dictated by the government, and are subject to cuts."

Even if a student isn't going to start school until winter or spring term of next year, they need to apply early.

"Early doesn't mean a month before they start school, it means now," said Wojahn. "Even if a student isn't sure where they are going to be, they need to start the financial aid process now."

This year holds special problems for financial aid applicants, Wojahn said. "There is a glitch in the whole business this year. Before, there was just one universal form to fill out, the Financial Aid Form (FAF). Now there's a new form, the Single File."

Processed by the United Student Aid Funds (USAF), the Single Form is much like the FAF, which is processed by the College Scholarship Service (CSS). The Single File is

different in that it isn't quite as detailed, and there is no filing fee, as there is in the FAF.

"In those respects it's great," said Wojahn. "The problem arises when a student is applying to several schools, or is transferring, and needs financial aid information sent to different places."

Not all schools have changed to the Single File, and a student needs to know if the school they are considering uses it. Filling out the wrong form for a school can lead to confusion down the road, as the processing center for the aid forms may not acknowledge a second filing.

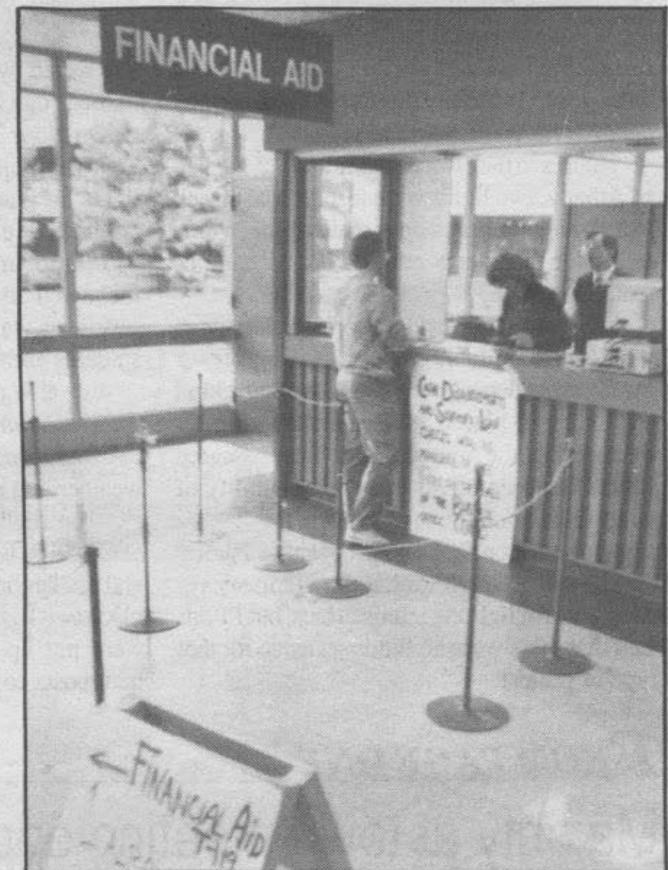
If this all seems confusing, don't panic. The Financial Aid Office is prepared.

"For instance," Wojahn states, "we used to put forms on the counter so any student could walk by and pick one up. But now we have them behind the counter, so we can ask each student who picks one up about his particular situation, and be sure the right form is handed out."

The Financial Aid Office hopes to switch to the Single File form soon. "Our computer system isn't set up to receive information from the Single File. As soon as we can get the program, we'll switch over," said Wojahn. She cautioned students against waiting until LBCC switches to apply, however. "The new program may not come for some time."

Another change for the Financial Aid Office is the location. The office has recently moved to the old Albany Community Education office, across from the Camas Room.

The new location offers more space. "Anyone who ever went into the old office would know why (we had to move)," said Wojahn. "There was just no space to operate. We really appreciate the patience and understanding the students have had with this move."



The Commuter/NATHAN DODGE

Students applying for financial aid will have to head north for advice now that the office has moved to the other end of Takena Hall.

Services on hold as Womens Center moves to Industrial A building

By Monica Griffis
Of The Commuter

For the third time in six years, the LBCC Womens Center has been moved to a new location on campus, this time to the second floor of the Industrial A Building.

According to Center Coordinator Marion Roberts, the center was forced to leave the space on the second floor of the Health Occupations Building that it had occupied since last year.

"Basically, we were evicted," Roberts said. The center's offices in HO201 were taken over by the college's Family Resources Department, which in turn had been moved out of Takena Hall to make room for the expansion of the Financial Aid Office.

Roberts said the Womens Center now finds itself in a smaller office, which is located at the west end of the second floor corridor of the Industrial A Building.

"At this point, we only have about a third of the space we had at the previous location," she said. That means the center will have to cut or relocate programs, she added.

At the moment, support groups and personal counseling that the center previously offered have been temporarily terminated, due to lack of space. The library of books and other material on women's issues has also been packed up for the same reason.

However, many of the center's programs are still being offered, only at different locations in Albany and Corvallis. An open house will be held in the new location—IA225—on Feb. 13 from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. For information, call the Womens Center at ext. 377.

Roberts and others at the center say that the Health Occupations office was the best one in terms of space and services provided. Commenting on the possibility of moving again, Roberts said, "It can only get better, provided we don't get moved into a broom closet."

College consolidates instructional divisions; Smart, Cheney, Scott, Spilde named deans

By Ronald D. Rutherford
Of The Commuter

Tonight the LBCC school board will discuss whether a staff reorganization plan proposed by LBCC President Jon Carnahan will be approved.

Last summer Carnahan drafted a new "governing structure", from his own observations and employee suggestions. His proposed "shared governance" plan would help him to be more responsive to the needs of the students and faculty.

The present staff structure has been in operation since the founding of the college 23 years ago. The proposed staff changes would include the elimination of the position of vice president of instruction, and the promotion of the four division heads to deans. The elimination of vice president will save the school at least \$55,000. This will be lightly offset by increase in salaries of the four deans.

"My intent has nothing to do with the financial situation the college is in. It has to do with efficiency," Carnahan said.

If the plan is approved, the four new

deans will be:

Ann Smart, currently temporary vice president of instruction, who will head the newly organized division of student services and extended learning;

Pete Scott, formerly director of the Science/Technology division, who will direct the combined Industrial, Science and Technology Division;

Ken Cheney, who will head the Liberal Arts and Human Performance Division, which combines arts, humanities, social sciences, and physical education;

Mary Splide, former assistant to the president, who will direct the Business, Training and Health Occupations Division, which combines the nursing and other health education departments with the business departments.

The reorganization reduces the number of instructional divisions from six to four.

Under the plan, deans and associate deans will no longer have to get approval from the vice president of instruction for many decisions, thus giving them some new authority to make decisions, according to Carnahan.

"The overall philosophy was that Jon Carnahan has assumed the responsibility of being not only the president, but (also) chief acting officer, and in so doing he essentially eliminated a vice president of instruction," according to Roger Gaither, director of Community Relations. "But in return, he (Carnahan) said, 'If I am going to take on this overall responsibility for instruction, I need to upgrade the major administrators and make them responsible for more.' In other words, he is taking part of his job as chief acting officer and transferring it to these four people," he said.



Roger Gaither

State senator helps shed light on a dark, dangerous intersection

Michael Scheiman
Of The Commuter

After several fruitless attempts to get lights installed at Looney Lane and Highway 34 last term, LBCC officials discovered that all they needed was some political pull.

Thanks to the efforts of State Sen. Mae Yih of Albany, two lights were installed last week to illuminate the hazardous intersection, which is used by students commuting to campus from Corvallis.

In November President Jon Carnahan met with Mike Gardner, the project manager for the highway department, to ask that some kind of lighting be placed at the intersection. After the meeting, the highway department assured LBCC representatives that the possibility of lampposts would be investigated.

Gardner then took the proposal to Pacific Power and Light (PP&L), the company responsible for lighting intersections, but PP&L said that there were no funds set aside for that type of project.

After several more attempts by Carnahan and other LBCC officials to have the highway department or PP&L take action, Sen. Yih was asked by school officials to get involved in the project.

On Nov. 30 Sen. Yih wrote a letter to the highway department asking that temporary lights be placed at the site. In the letter she pointed out the generosity in LBCC's offer of \$1,000 dollars to aid in the project, noting that it showed "the (LBCC School Board is very serious in wanting to protect the lives of their students and staff."

Yih also asked that highway department funds be made available to complete the project immediately due to the upcoming bad weather and early sunset.

The highway department responded by contracting L.R. Brabham Inc., a commercial and residential company from Springfield, to place two lights at the intersection. The lights were put up on Tuesday, Jan. 10. The two lampposts cost \$3,600 each.

FROM PAGE ONE

Majority at town meeting opposes Gulf war

their rights to free speech and assembly.

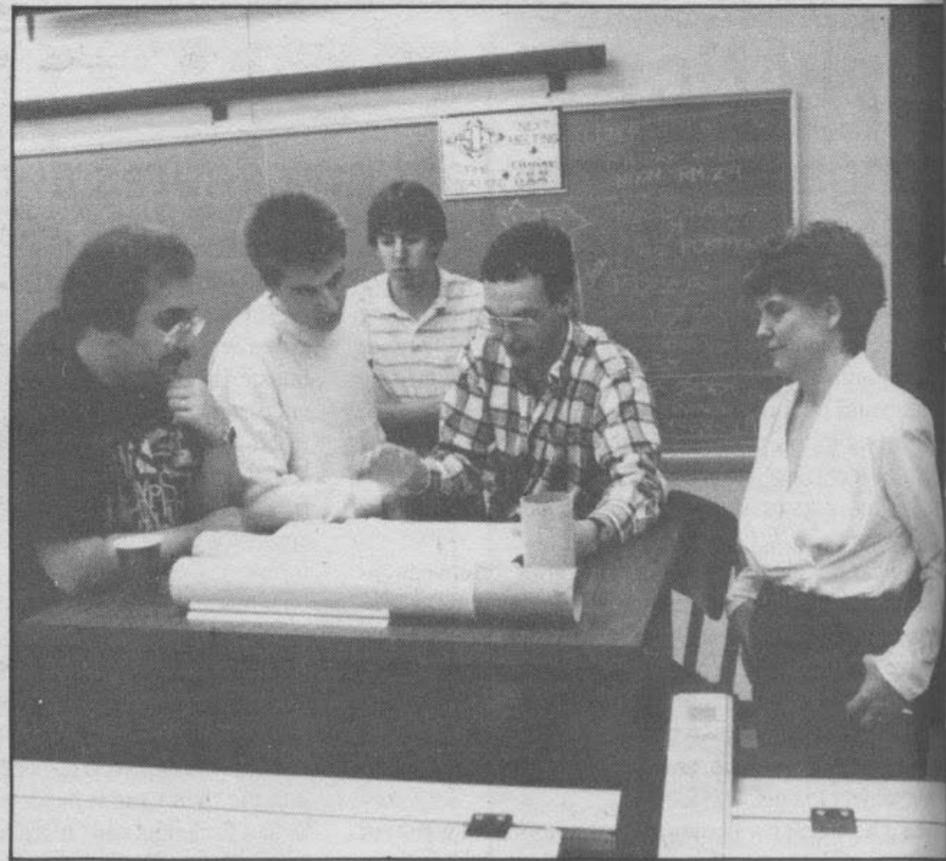
Psychology Prof. Jon Gillis of OSU followed, speaking on the Moslem/Arab perspective and the historical role of the West in the Middle East and the ethnic differences that come between Arabs and Western people.

Gillis spoke of the holy wars that have been fought for centuries between Christians and Moslems until the Moslem people have turned their animosity for Christianity to an animosity toward Christian countries, or in other words, Europe. "America is part of the European heritage, and so what we've inherited, whether we've earned it or not, is the resentment of centuries," said Gillis.

"America is also the inheritor of the colonial legacy left behind by Britain France and the other countries which dominated these

Arab nations," said Gillis who pointed out that whenever western countries step into an Arab conflict, there will be resentment raised by such intervention. After Gillis spoke, five panelists gave short presentations of their opinions. On the panel were representatives for U.S. Rep. Mike Kopetski and Sen. Mark Hatfield; Father Patrick Walsh, of St. Mary's Church; Rich Cohen, of Citizens for a Negotiated Settlement in the Middle East; Ernie Argo, commander of Albany Veterans of Foreign Wars; and Loren Damon, of Oregonians for fair treatment in the Middle East.

Each panelist spoke briefly, their speeches adding more fuel for the audience that lined up behind a microphone in the center of the hall ready to express their concerns over the possibility of war.



Engineering students Justin Klein, Jarred Burchard and Jesse Wayman look over graduate Todd Webster's plans as instructional assistant Donna Ashenfelter looks on.

Graduate review series designed to aid students in school, job search

By Ron Kennerly
Of The Commuter

Todd Webster, a 1989 graduate of LBCC's Drafting Technology Program, spoke to a group of 10 drafting students last Friday in ST-219 between 12 and 1 p.m., as the first part of a "Graduate Review" speaker series sponsored by the LB chapter of the American Society of Certified Engineering Technicians (ASCET).

ASCET started the speaker series this year to offer current drafting students a chance to get feedback from graduates now working in the field on how to succeed both here in school and in the job market after school.

Webster, who is currently pursuing an engineering transfer degree at LBCC, as well as doing freelance drafting work, began his talk by telling how he handled the drafting program workload here.

"The thing that helps the most," said Webster, "is trying to work in a group. Don't sit in a corner trying to figure everything out yourself, it just doesn't work. Everybody's got input, and everybody's little bit of input eventually gets the correct solution to a problem." Out in the field, said Webster, "that's how engineers work. They get into a team, and they work, and they come up with a solution. Use the same kind of idea here."

If problems came up out of class, he tried to be prepared. "Whenever I had a problem, I had at least four people's phone numbers. At 9 o'clock in the evening, I'd get on the phone, make phone calls and eventually I'd get the problems worked out," said Webster. "Everybody was willing to give a hand. It's just teamwork. You've got to stick together. That's the way everybody makes it through."

Webster also commented on the necessity of not spending too much time on any single

problem. If you're stuck for a solution, the longer you struggle, the more confused you get," he said. "Move on."

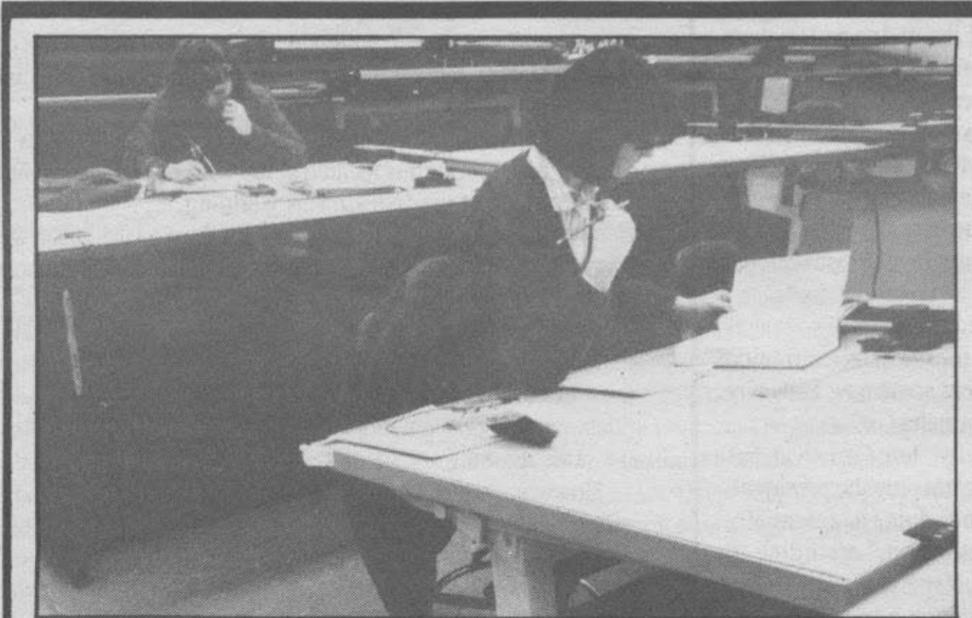
Webster recently returned from an interview for a position at the Deerfield Beach Fla., CH2M Hill plant. He got the position he applied for, though he won't be able to start work until a company freeze is over.

Talking about the interview experience, Webster said that all in all, they treated him well. "I did get asked a couple of questions like, 'What are your weaknesses-what are your strengths?' I didn't like those questions, but I took a second, thought about what I'd say, and I seemed happy with what I said." The idea of an interview situation, said Webster, is to take an answer that may make you sound bad and then turn it around. For instance when asked about his weaknesses or bad points in the Florida interview, he replied that he often tended to get on a project and work too many hours a day for too many days in a row to get it done. Though such a failure to pace yourself could be negative, he explained, the dedication to his work shown by such drive could be positive, he added.

At the end of the hour, Webster took time to show some of the students a set of plans he had drawn which had been accepted and used. He said he got a high degree of satisfaction when he was able to go to the building site and see his plans becoming a reality.

ASCET's graduate review series will be continued throughout the term. This Friday's speaker will be Glen Slayter, a 1989 LBCC graduate now employed at CH2M Hill in Corvallis.

Anyone interested in attending Friday's or any future meetings, should contact Donna Ashenfelter, instructional assistant at 923-2361, ext. 359.



Tables Donated

Drafting I student Cindy McGilvray works on one of the drafting tables donated to LBCC by Hewlett-Packard recently. Behind her is Billie Hight.

The Commuter/RON KENNERLY

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

REVIEW

Production of 'Steel Magnolias' wilts for reviewer, but still funny

Lawrence Michaels
Of The Commuter

"Steel Magnolias is about friendship, and the resilience and the inner strength that lets six warm, witty, intelligent women face the grief that comes into every life."

That's what the program said when I went to see Steel Magnolias last week at the Albany Civic Theater. However, it seems that Don Taco, the director of the play, chose to portray the characters as cold, witty and ignorant rather than the warm, witty and intelligent characters we remember from the film of the same name.

Indeed, all of the actors did a very fine job, but it seems that their direction was

somewhat misguided.

A large part of the play is its humor, and indeed the play is funny. All of the actors delivered their witty punch-lines right on cue. However, an even larger part of the play is its ability to jerk tears from the audience, an ability that seemed very weak in Taco's version. During most of the "tear jerk" scenes I found myself waiting for a punch-line.

As someone who saw the movie last year and found myself sobbing uncontrollably, I was generally disappointed by the production. However, those who haven't yet seen the movie, I would recommend going to see Steel Magnolias at the Albany Civic Theatre. It's a great comedy!

Artists invited to Corvallis open art exhibit

The Corvallis Arts Center is inviting Linn and Benton County artists to participate in its Community Open Exhibit. All artists, from the weekend dabbler to the professional, will be able to hang a piece of artwork.

Two- or three-dimensional work in any media will be accepted. Only one piece per artist will be shown. Work must be original and must not have been exhibited at the center within the last two years.

The open hanging will take place on Saturday, Feb. 2, 1991. This is a non-competitive show, with space for everyone. Work can be brought in at any point during the day. Exhibition committee members will make all decisions about placement and will be responsible for hanging all work.

For a prospectus, call the center at 754-1551 or pick one up at 700 S.W. Madison, Corvallis.

Winter Blues Festival plans three 'hot' bands

The Dead of Winter Blues/Rock Festival will take place on Friday, Jan. 25 from 7p.m. to midnight at the Benton County Fairgrounds in Corvallis.

The event will feature three of Portland's hottest bands: The Blubinos, the Terraplanes and the Flapjacks. Solo Blues Artist Tim Ryan

will open the show.

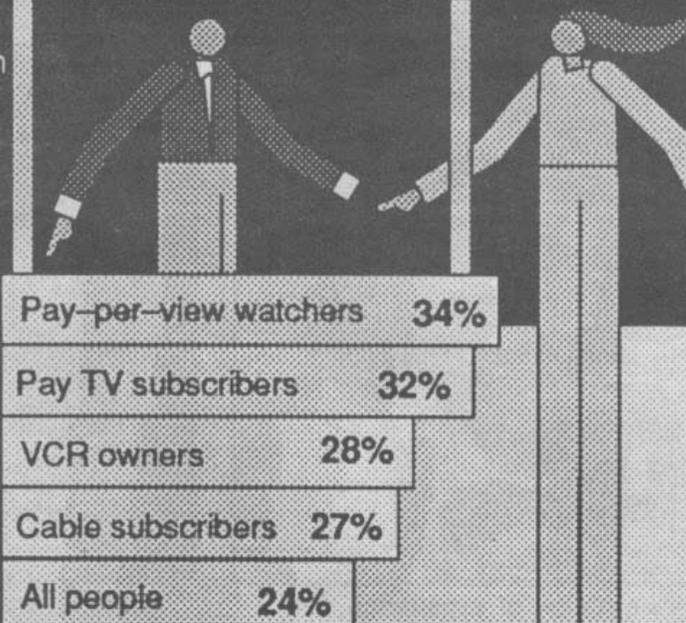
Tickets to see the show are six dollars and are available at the door or at Rice's Pharmacy, Happy Trails Records and Tapes in Corvallis and French's Jewelers in Albany.

For information call the Benton County Fairgrounds at (503)757-1521.

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Movie lovers don't stay home

People who watch movies on pay-per-view TV still go to the theater. Who goes at least once a month:



Source: Motion Picture Association 1989 survey

Rod Little, USA TODAY



The Commuter/DARIN RISCOL

Corvallis artist Nola Mosier has her pencil art on exhibit in the LBCC Gallery until Friday, Jan. 18.

LBCC Gallery exhibiting pencil drawings, acrylic on wood pieces

Michael Scheiman
Of The Commuter

The LBCC Art Gallery is currently showing the work of Pencil-Artist Nola Mosier, a Corvallis resident.

Nola has been studying pencil-drawing for two years with such artists as Wayne Thiebaud, Roland Peterson and Robert Arneson of the University of California at Davis.

At her gallery talk last Friday, Nola said that her pencil work depicts, "a battle between natural landscape and architectural landscape." At first glance, flowers and lines can be seen, upon further contemplation a great battle between man and nature becomes apparent.

In order to create a very real and dramatic drawing with colored pencils, many layers of colors must be used. Nola stated that a well thought out drawing can easily take a week to complete.

She believes that colored pencil artists have not been treated seriously in the art world, and crusades to support use of colored pencils. She is an active member of The Colored Pencil Artists Association.

Also currently on exhibit in the art gallery is the work of Shawn McGinty. Shawn works with acrylic paints on wood in shapes of animals such as wolves, lizards and birds.

Shawn was not present at the gallery talk on Jan. 11 so no information on his background was available.

Nola and Shawn's artwork will be on exhibit in the LBCC Gallery until Friday, Jan. 18.

After this exhibit Nola has no immediate plans for future exhibits but can foresee them in her future.

LB Community Choral combines music and poetry for a peaceful performance

By Mary Beth Brassill
Of The Commuter

Selected poems by Walt Whitman and Robert Frost set to music will be the focus of this winter's performance by LBCC's Community Chorale.

According to Chorale Director Hal Eastburn, the selections chosen for the March 10 performance "seemed appropriate in these troubled times," and make "a poetic connection and a piece connection" between war and peace.

In "Dona Nobis Pacem" (Grant Us Peace), Ralph Vaughan Williams contrasts Whitman's war themes with a peaceful musical score. The performance will also include "Frostina" (Seven Country Songs), setting Frost's pastoral poetry to music.

The chorale is rehearsing Tuesday nights from 7:30-9:30. Any area vocalists with experience interested in performing with the group are encouraged to contact Eastburn at ext. 217 for an informal audition and additional information.

Linn-Benton cafeteria offers wide variety of choices

Exotic selections found alongside hamburgers and hot dogs in the Commons

By Carol Lysek
Of The Commuter

Choices! That's what the LBCC cafeteria on the second floor of the College Center offers.

There's spanakopitta, mousselen potatoes, salad nicoise, as well as Swedish cream, charlotte royale and chocolate strawberry gateau. These exotic-sounding selections are available alongside the more ordinary hot dogs, hamburgers and burritos. The choice is yours.

"A lot of people don't realize the great deal they're getting here—the different kinds of foods they are exposed to. If we had a contract food service out here they would just have a very simple menu," said Mary Anne Young, LBCC's bake shop instructor for the past year and a half. Young has a degree in Food Systems Management and trained for two years at a cooking school in Vermont.

As for desserts, she said, "if you put chocolate up on the line—no matter what form, size or anything, they will buy it. People just love chocolate."

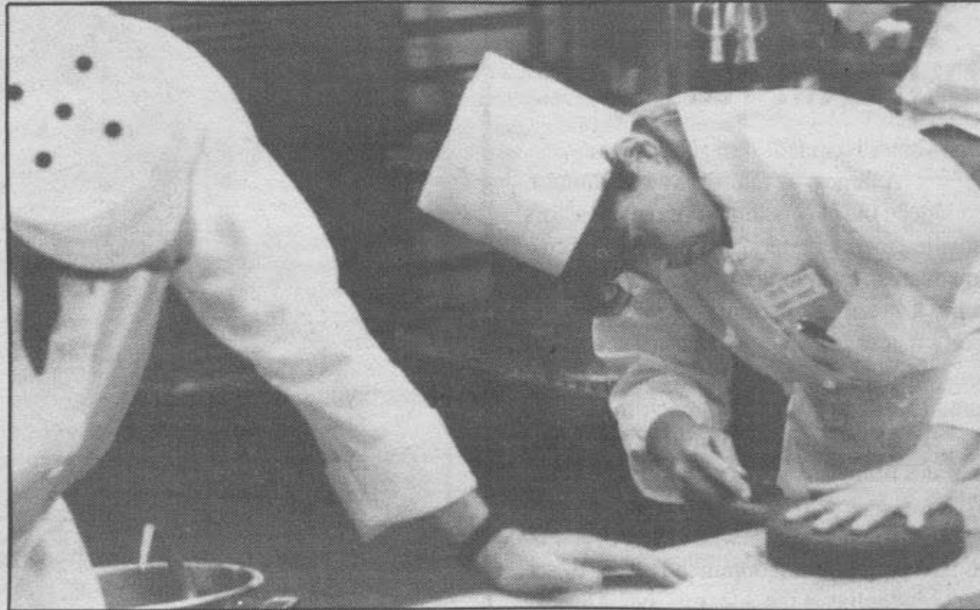
Cafeteria customers often don't know that they can have it just about any way they want it. They can ask for side orders or have a vegetable prepared without butter.

"You can have it your way," said Kathy Body, who has been an instructional assistant for three years and has worked in local restaurants for 10 years. She is responsible for the pantry, cold foods and salads.

The first item in the entree part of the hot line is always meatless. Foods such as lasagna Florentine, baked beans and corn bread or spanakopitta (spinach and filo) are featured, said Dale Fong, who is laboratory coordinator and responsible for the hot line. Fong has owned and managed an Italian restaurant and has a degree in business.

Body pointed out that meatless does not always mean healthiest. The meatless dishes often have lots of eggs and cheese in them.

The menu is revised quarterly and yearly, with poor-selling items being dropped, said Body. The cafeteria tries to at least break even



The Commuter/RON RUTHERFORD

Mary Anne Young, baking instructor at LBCC, demonstrates the proper way to cut a cake.

financially, but with students in the kitchen, that is often a tall order, she said.

Most of the menu items are used to illustrate basic cooking techniques to culinary arts students. Chicken and dumplings and chicken valoute are made on the same day to show students how gravy can be interchanged, said Fong.

Many of the fancy desserts are also used to illustrate basic skills and techniques, according to Young.

Body said she has noticed an increase in customer demand for healthier foods. Customers will ask for something low calorie or without whipped cream, she said. But some healthy things—such as stuffed peppers or stuffed zucchini boats—are low calorie, yet don't sell well. "If we serve healthy things and they don't buy them, then we don't make any money that day," Body said.

Other healthy choices include fresh fruit, cut fruit salad without dressing, raw vegetables with dip, and two-percent cottage cheese instead of four-percent, said Body.

Fong said students are taught to skim the fat off soup and gravy and to cook with as little oil as possible.

A lot of butter is used in the cakes and pastries because "this is a culinary arts program and we teach French classical cuisine," said Young. Canola oil is also used in all the baking and throughout the kitchen, she added.

In the past, some of the foods were labeled as low salt or low fat because the previous chef had analyzed her recipes. The new chef has not yet analyzed his recipes. When he does that, labeling will be used again, said Body.

Body says customers are not shy about commenting on the food. Some make negative comments, but the majority say nothing and we assume everything is fine for them.

Fong said he thinks customers should give more comments. "Let us know if we do a good job, and let us know if we do a bad job. If you don't let us know then we can't change for the better."

"People tend to take the time to write out a negative comment, but not a positive one. It

would be more encouraging for me and my students to have more positive feedback," said Young.

Body said that people don't use the Passing The Buck comment boxes very much. A box is located to the right of the dirty dish conveyor belt. All comments are read and are taken seriously.

Many people comment verbally to the cashiers or food servers. Those comments are also listened to, said Body.

Students studying culinary arts are either in Chef Training, Restaurant and Catering Management or Conference and Resort Management. All students spend at least one year in the kitchen; those in Chef Training spend two. Those in the other two options spent a year studying business and management practices, said Young.

"It's a good program. We get a lot of experience, and I've learned a lot," said Sandy Murphy, a first year student in Chef Training.

According to Lisa Glausi, second year student in Chef Training and Restaurant and Catering Management: "It's a very intense program. Our program is comparable to the Western Culinary Arts program in Portland, which is recognized throughout the United States. Chef Anselm was an instructor there and then he came here. The student-teacher ratio is better here than in Portland. The student body should be aware that a lot of thought and work goes into the food preparation, and the students are being graded on it."

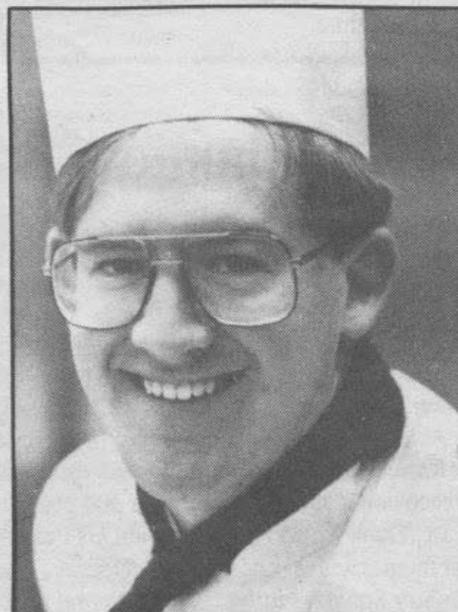
"This program tries to turn out professional people who are clean, sanitary and proud of their work," said Scott Hensley, a second year Chef Training student.

Being an instructor is "like a juggling act," said Body.

"You have to train these new students, and just as soon as you get them trained they move on to another station, and you get a bunch of new students to train again. You still have to serve the customer. It has to be edible. And the boss wants you to make money - all at the same time!"



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—Kathy Body



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"...a lot of work goes into the food preparation."
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COMMUTER COMICS

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This Week's Top Ten

By David Rickard
Of The Commuter

From the home office in Fossil, here's this week's Top Ten List of reasons for attending an LB men's basketball game.

10. The concession stand offers 100-percent real dairy cheese with the nachos.
9. It's a refreshing trip down memory lane for those who enjoyed the smell of gyms in high school.
8. Because it's there.
7. Former LB standout Manute Bol is known to make an appearance now and then.
6. Scalpers offer discount tickets on premium sky-box seats.
5. It's a quieter place to study than the library.
4. Roseanne Barr's understudy sings a rousing rendition of the national anthem.
3. Rub elbows with the commuter's crack sports editor Kevin Porter and be sure to wake him up with one of those elbows.
2. Nelson Eddy, Boxcar Willie, Jim Nabors and Slim Whitman perform a medley of Partridge Family hits at halftime.
1. Ex-Laker girl, Bambi Bosom is the newest member of the Roadhogs, LB's cheerleading squad.

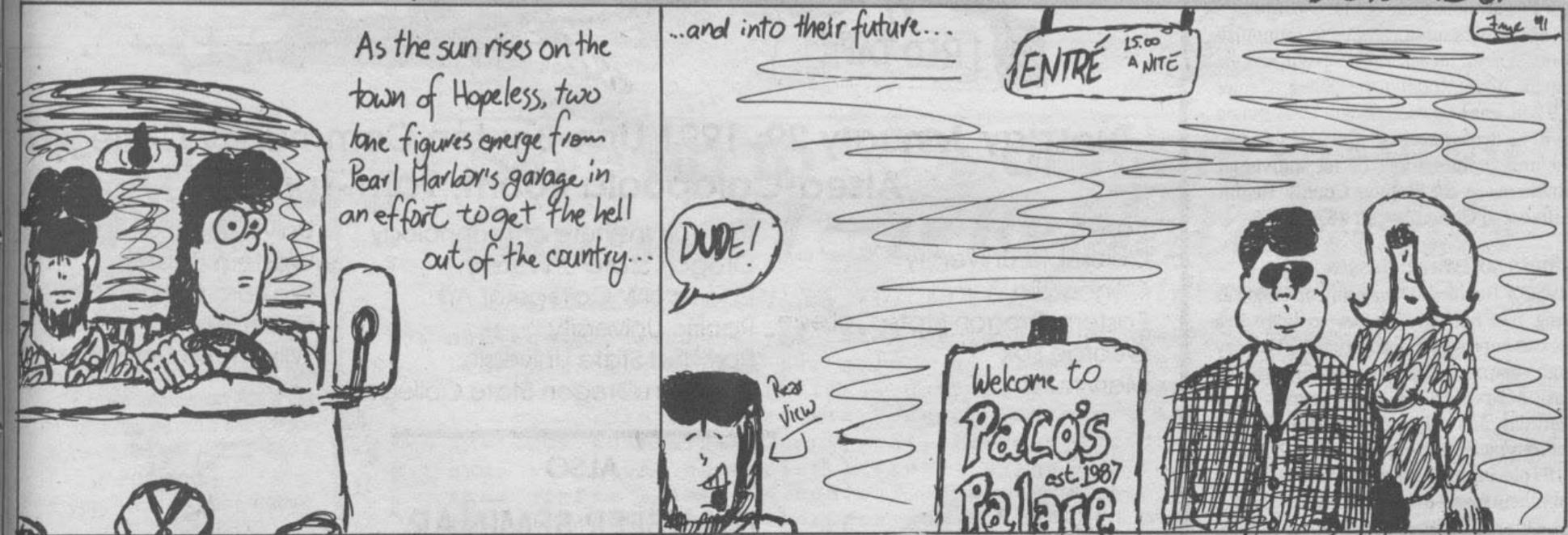
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Life in HOPELESS MEXICO

by CORY FRIE '91



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NEWS NOTES

Tutor training scheduled

To help overcome illiteracy in Linn and Benton counties, Linn-Benton Community College's Student Development Division is looking for volunteers to tutor people who have limited educational and/or English language backgrounds. Volunteers help students with reading, math, General Education Development (GED) test preparation and basic skills so that students may function more fully in school and in the community.

A time commitment of two to four hours per week for a school term is requested.

A Volunteer Tutor Training workshop will be held Jan. 18 and 19. Workshop hours are 7-9:30 p.m. on Friday and 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, room 214 on the second floor of LBCC's Learning Resource Center, 6500 S.W. Pacific Blvd., Albany.

For more information, call Don Rea, 9 a.m.-noon Monday through Thursday, 928-2361, ext. 371.

Albany Center has new start dates

Linn-Benton Community College's Albany Center has announced new start dates for two winter-term classes.

Eliminating Self-Defeating Behavior and Collage and "Wash-Off Print" begin on Jan 14.

For more information, call LBCC's Albany Center, 967-6108.

ASLBCC starts new system

Reba Lancaster, Community Education Representative, ASLBCC, said ASLBCC has set up "Pass the Buck" as a system to find out staff and faculty compliments as well as complaints. Use of this system is requested.

Also, as community ed. representative Lancaster wants to remind everyone, "Am here to help you." ASLBCC office, hours are on Tuesdays from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. The telephone number there is 928-2361, ext. 153.

Measles immunizations clinic set

On Thursday, Jan. 24, the Benton County Health Department nursing staff will hold a clinic at LBCC's main campus to immunize students against measles. The event will be held in the Board Room in the College Center from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Cost will be \$7 but no one will be denied vaccine if unable to pay.

For more information, or for individual appointments at the Benton County Health Department in Corvallis, call 757-68354.

Business software classes

LBCC's Business Development Center is offering two half-day classes to help area businesses improve productivity and efficiency through computers and business software.

Basis of Spreadsheets meets 8 a.m. - noon on Saturday, Jan. 19, and introduces the beginner to typical uses of the Lotus 1-2-3 software. Exploring WordPerfect for the Business Environment meets 8 a.m. - noon on Saturday, Feb. 9. This workshop covers the variety of uses possible with the WordPerfect program.

Each workshop costs \$25 and meets in Business 105. For more information, call the Business Development Center at 967-6112.

Musical manuscripts wanted

The Corvallis Arts Center is seeking manuscripts of original plays for a children's theatre performance planned for this summer in lieu of the popular Missoula Children's theatre, which could not be booked this year due to scheduling conflicts.

If interested in submitting a script for this event, or in participating as a director or technical support person, please contact Susan Johnson at the Corvallis Arts Center, 754-1552. Deadline for submissions is Feb. 1.

Poets needed

The Oregon State Poetry Association is looking for poets to submit their work to the 1990 Fall Poetry Day competition.

For contest information, poets should contact Leona Ward at 503-235-4730, evenings or weekends, or send SASE after Feb. 1, to OSPA Contest, 1645 S.E. Spokane Street, Portland, Oregon 97202.

VISTO agencies established

The State Scholarship Commission administers a tuition voucher program called VISTO

(Volunteers in Service to Oregon).

Participants must volunteer in approved social service agencies and be 15 through 18 years old. Volunteers may earn a \$25 voucher for every eight hours of service helping people in one-on-one or small group activities.

Cholesterol screening offered

The once-a-term cholesterol screening is scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 17, 6:45 - 9:15 a.m. The screening is open to staff, students and members of the community. Cost is \$7.50. Call ext. 109 to reserve your slot.

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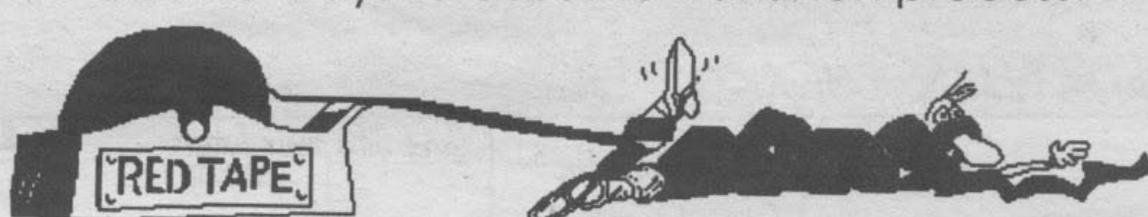
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speak **up.**

COLLEGE TRANSFER DAY

Don't get caught in the tangle of red tape when transferring from a two-year college to a four-year college or university. Join us and the institutions below on College Transfer Day to find ways to ease the transition process.



**Tuesday January 29, 1991 Linn-Benton Community College,
Alea-Calapooia Room, 9am-1pm**

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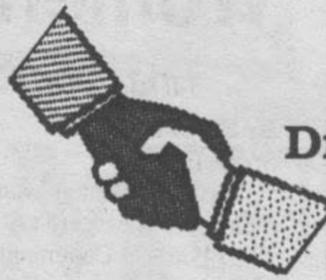
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SPORTS PAGE

COMMENTARY

Sports junkie confesses to life long dependency

By David Rickard
Of The Commuter

Hi, my name is David, and I'm a sportsaholic. There, I said it. Admitting you have a problem is the first step to recovery, and holy jumping-up-and-down Martha, do I have a problem.

I'm not sure when and where my slide into the seedy world of the sports junkie began. All I know is that one day I was just a casual sports fan—a social sports fan, you might say—enjoying an occasional Blazer game, Wimbeldon or Masters on the tube.

Then before you could say Kareem Abdul-Jabbar three times, I had become a full-blown sportsaholic, devouring anything on TV—fishing tourneys, celebrity bowling, women's synchronized swimming, it didn't matter. The only thing that mattered was finding my next sports fix.

Doctors have told me sportsaholism runs in the family. I can thank dear old Dad for my disorder. As a teenager, I remember Sunday afternoons spent with the Old Man.

As he sat nestled into the La-Z-Boy, a Marlboro in one hand and the remote in the other, I could only admire the way he deftly switched back and forth between the football games, golf tournaments and boxing matches, always one step ahead of a commercial or a break in the action. What a master!

Then that magical day arrived, that rite of passage, when Dad passed the remote on to me and issued the immortal words "Here, son, it's all yours. Be careful—all it takes is a little pressure from the thumb."

I should have realized, right then and there, the awesome power of the remote and how it would slowly click my life on the road to ruins. I was soon sneaking in early morning aerobic shows, staying up all night watching replays of Slippery Rock football games, taping women's bobsledding so I could get a video fix when nothing else was on.

The warning signs were everywhere. Instead of asking for a new car or trip to Europe, like most high school graduates, I asked for a satellite dish. My obsession had turned into a nightmare. I couldn't eat or sleep. I started hearing voices—Chris Berman's "Back, Back, Back, Back," Dick Vitale's "Awesome baby"—in my sleep.

I knew I had hit rock bottom when I skipped my brother's wedding to watch a tractor-pulling contest on ESPN. In those churning early morning hours, as I watched those monster trucks lug a 20-ton sleigh through the mud while the grizzled onlookers speckled each other with tobacco juice, I realized I no longer had control over my life. I made the call. Two weeks later I checked myself into the Howard Cosell Clinic for Sports Addicts.

Editor's note: We are proud to report that David recently completed his sixth month of sports sobriety. He told me how lucky he feels to be with us today, since doctors told him one more Monday Night Football Game could have been his last. Next week David takes us into his private hell at the rehabilitation clinic.

Women explode to 4-0 league mark

Tina Johnson scores 40 and grabs 11 rebounds; team leads league

By Kevin L. Porter
Sports Editor

The Linn-Benton women's basketball team improved their first place record to 4-0 last Saturday when they demolished Portland Community College 86-45 in Southern Region play.

The Roadrunners exploded on a 49 to 19 scoring binge in the second half after leading by 14 at the intermission, to cruise past the Panthers of Portland.

Tina Johnson, Monica Straws and Marti Anderson each scored 16 points and Johnson pulled down 10 rebounds in the lopsided victory.

Patricia Torrez added eight points and dished out seven assists.

The Roadrunners shot an awesome 36 for 75 from the field but only shot 12 of 24 from the free throw line. LB also rebounded PCC 46-20.

Last Wednesday Johnson played like a lady possessed on route to scoring 40 points and grabbing 11 rebounds. Johnson scored all but 22 of the teams points on way to the Roadrunners third straight league victory 66-52.

Johnson shot 15 of 26 (58 percent) and was 10 of 13 from the charity stripe (77 percent). No other Roadrunner scored in double figures.

Torrez served up seven assists and Jenni Stoullil added nine points.

LB entertains Mt. Hood Community College tonight in home contest that starts at 6 p.m.

Whiting's 40 not enough as men fall to PCC

By Kevin L. Porter
Sports Editor

Chris Whiting was on a mission last Saturday, and his mission ended with a 40-point, 12-rebound output, but that wasn't enough to overcome the balanced scoring attack of Portland Community College, who won the Southern Region contest 85-84.

Whiting, a sophomore, made 17 out of 21 shots from the field, but Linn-Benton only had one other person in double figures, as Ryan Lyons contributed 15 points and nine rebounds in the losing effort.

"Chris played an excellent game, he was one player who came ready to play," LB coach Steve Seidler said.

Seidler said Lyons was the another who came ready to play, but the team fell off a cliff from there.

PCC had five men in double figures with Tyrone Pollard leading the scoring with 29 points.

The foul line was a problem for both teams with LB making 18 of 29 (62 percent) and Portland 12 of 24 (50 percent).

According to Seidler LB held a six points lead with seven minutes left, but missed a minimum of five lay-ups in that seven minutes.

The Roadrunners out rebounded the Panthers 39-22, but even though they dominated every stat column LB came up short on the only one that counts—the score.

Seidler said his team was starting to get respect around the league and that he is happy with the improvement over last season, but he is disappointed in his teams inconsistent play.

"I told the players that they must respect every opponent and never overlook any team. We went to Portland and shot ourselves in the foot," Seidler said.

With the loss LB drops into a two way tie for third in league.

Last Wednesday the Roadrunners traveled to Southwest Oregon where LB overcame a nine-point second half deficit to win 77-66.

Seidler said he was pleased with the way his team played. With more balanced scoring and some big output by people who don't usually light it up, he has every right to be pleased.

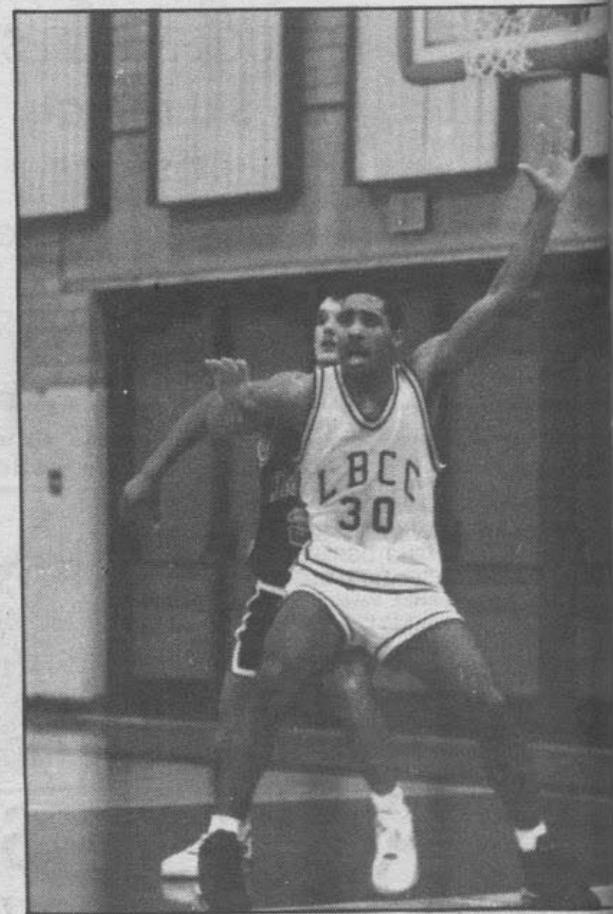
Lyons led the scoring with 22 points followed by Chris Wulf who finished with 14. Lyons was 4 of 8 from 3-point land and Wulf connected on 3 of 6 from the 3-point line.

Whiting added 18 points for the Roadrunners who are now (9-8, 2-2 in league).

Seidler said his team didn't really play until the last ten minutes of the game, but kept it close enough to win.

"SWOCC was a good win for us, I was pleased that we played the last 10 minutes of the game," Seidler said.

The Roadrunners next action is at home tonight against league rival Mt. Hood. Starting time will be 8 p.m. and you can catch the action on KFLY-AM 1240 out of Corvallis. This will be a must win situation for the Roadrunners so come out and support your team as they try to improve their record 3-2.



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Chris Whiting scored 40 points in a losing cause Saturday against PCC. The team's scoring lead returns to the friendly confines of the Activity Center tonight when LB plays host to Mt. Hood.

Special olympic team introduced

Jay McCoy, instructor in special skills at LBCC, coaches the Albany Special Olympics basketball team. His team placed in the regional tournament and has won a trip to compete in the state tournament on Feb. 2-3 in Medford. The team will be introduced at half-time of tonight's women's basketball game against Mt. Hood.