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## Financial aid

### 'Early bird' will get the money

While the present economic situation is less than cheerful, Director of Placement and Financial Aids, Mike Patrick, says the outlook for low income individuals who wish to attend school on full-time basis next year, is still very good.

Patrick anticipates having enough money in financial aid programs to provide financial assistance to one-third of the full-time students in the coming year. "However," cautioned Patrick, "we will only be able to provide financial assistance to those

full-time students who are unable to meet educational costs of \$2,000 per year."

All of the financial assistance programs that are handled by LBCC's Financial Aids office, i.e. loans, grants, work study, deferred tuition etc., are administered to full-time students only. In other words, the part-time student has to pay the entire cost of education on his (or her) own, without help from any financial aid programs.

Thus, for a low income student who

wishes to attend LBCC, it is to his (or her) economic advantage to attend full-time rather than part-time, since he (or she) can then obtain financial assistance, to help defray educational costs.

The amount of financial aid program funding has increased 57% in the last two years while enrollment has increased 60% in the same period. Despite the apparent lag in funding, Patrick believes that the college financial aid programs will still provide sufficient funds to do a

better job for students than in previous years.

"This does not mean that we'll have an unlimited amount of money, or that we'll have enough money to help every student who applies," said Patrick. On the contrary, there will be more students applying for financial aid next year than had been previously anticipated.

The deadline for applications for financial assistance is March 15th, and "the early bird gets the money," commented Patrick. □



Stagefright cast, Remi Aubuchon, Margot Lindsay, Larry Schlomkowitz, Stuart Gershen, Dan Diamond. Related story on page 4-5.

Photo by Bob Byington

## Valentine's dance tonight

The first annual LBCC Valentines Day Dance will be held tonight, February 14th, in the College Commons from 9 to 12pm.

A six-piece, Portland-based rock group named 'Thumper' will provide live music for dancing and listening pleasure.

Persons attending the dance are requested to be over 15 years of age, and be dressed in semi-formal attire.

The price of admission will be \$1.00 per person, and \$1.50 per couple.

"Friday night offers a great opportunity for entertainment," said Judy Green, Student Activities coordinator. "People wishing to make a night of it, could come and see *Spoon River Anthology* at 8:15pm, and afterward attend the Valentines Dance, and dance to 'Thumper,'" she added.

Also at the Valentines Dance, there will be an old-time kissing booth. Guys and gals from the Future Secretaries of America (FSA) and the Distributive Education Club of America (DECA) will be selling kisses for 25 cents a smack. The kissing booth will be located in the Activities Center lobby, near the trophy case. □

## Spoon River Anthology

### Winter theatre production this weekend

Is there life after death? Edgar Lee Masters, an early 20th Century poet, writer and playwright, had an opinion on the subject and the Readers Theatre is presenting it for two more evenings this week—Friday and Sa-

turday at 8:15 in the Main Forum at LBCC. The production is *Spoon River Anthology*, which opened Thursday night with two dozen members of the readers' group, directed by Stephen Rossberg,

Speech and Drama Instructor. Admission is \$1.00 for students and senior citizens and \$1.50 for all others.

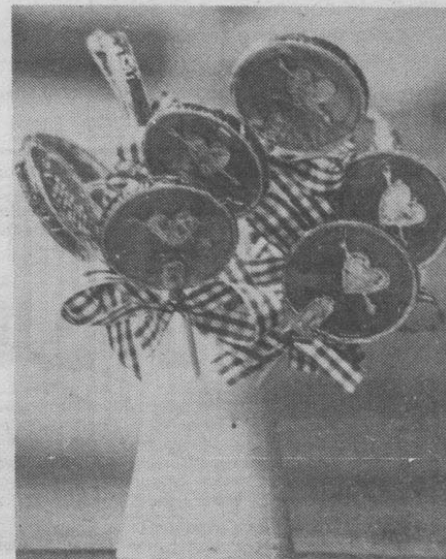


Photo by Bob Byington

In honor of Valentines members of FSA (Future Secretaries of America) will be holding a lollipop sale in the Commons lobby today.



# Editorials

## Other editors say

This editorial was reprinted from Courier 4, the Chemeketa Community College student newspaper.

## Tuition increase a possibility?

Stagflation has again raised its ugly head with its mouth open wide and is threatening to devour our few remaining pennies.

This time the victim is that segment of our society who has sacrificed much to gain an education, hopefully to improve the nation's monetary problems. This time the victims are the associated students of the Oregon community college system.

Many rumors, a few hints and at least one definite decision of tuition hikes have been lurking in the news rooms throughout the community colleges of Oregon.

Among arguments in favor of tuition increase is the overused and undersupported cliché "Our tuition is lower than the other community colleges."

With that statement as the pillar Linn-Benton C.C. "snowed" its students into passively agreeing to spend more money for education. A substantial rise in tuition will be implemented beginning fall term of the next school year.

Comments from students indicate that the hike was inevitable and unalterable.

Will the "snow" storm drift north and blanket the CCC campus?

Will Chemeketa students be bombarded with "our tuition is lower and therefore, should be raised?"

# Letters

## Stepping on toes

Editor:

I would like to comment on the January 24th editorial in your fine paper, concerning the mismatched spring vacation dates between District #8 and #5 and LBCC. I have to agree that the schools should bring about a "cooperative effort" to bring about an agreement of dates set for spring vacation, but where was LBCC when the other schools established their dates by September?

It's high time those setting the ground rules for Linn-Benton C.C. realize that they are not making the

ground rules for the rest of the community. I don't like to hear an "I was here first" attitude, but come on LBCC, watch the toes—you've stepped on them enough!

Furthermore, for a school that originally began with a promise of a "NO COMPETITIVE SPORTS PROGRAM" in their school, you should certainly understand the importance of a basketball tournament involving the public schools in this community.

Kathleen Schrock  
Tangent, OR 97389

## Elane Blanchet Looking around

For just this week, I'd like to stop looking around the whole state and turn my glance inward, to us, to the individuals who have exactly one thing in common—our school.

Take away the fancy new campus, the typewriters and projectors and all the paraphernalia, take away the

student government, all the clubs and even, heaven, take away the *Commuter*, and what's left? Us. A pack of individuals who happen to be in the same place at the same time for very different reasons. So it was in the beginnings of LBCC, so it boils down to now, and so it will remain as

Will we, too, succumb with passive indifference and toss our last coins to the inflation monster that looms before us?

## Were we snowed?

According to the *Courier 4* editorial which appears on this page we were snowed.

Maybe.

The cliché "Our tuition is lower than the other community colleges," was a part of our reasoning in accepting a raise in tuition here. . . however, it was not the "pillar" on which we stood. It was more like a small stone.

Times are tough. For most of us, the education we receive at this college will determine whether or not times get tougher.

We will agree that inflation is taking its toll in too many areas of our lives. However, we do not choose to call an inflation halt on a small raise in tuition fees. We can't afford it.

## Lady in the Datsun

Editor:

Arriving for an 8am class Monday morning, I absent-mindedly left on my car's headlights in the excitement over getting a particularly choice parking spot. Emerging from school at 6:30pm, my battery was, of course deader than the proverbial doornail.

I would like to express my thanks and appreciation, on behalf of myself and my little golden car, to two helpful young men who took the time to push my reluctant beauty around the busy parking lot long enough to finally get us started.

So here's a special thanks to the night students in the GTO and the red pick-up. Just wanted to let all the "good samaritans" of the world know that their helpfulness is muchly appreciated.

Woman in the Datsun

long as this school is in existence.

Some of us are activists who put varying amounts of energy into making something happen on this campus. Some of us go to meetings, work on committees, organize concerts and dances. We act in plays, compete in sports, take part in various competitions. Some of us put out a newspaper.

There are others of us, a larger segment of the school population, who are merely interested in learning our way into a better life, who put our energy into the classroom or vocational shop. We have a family to support and love, a living to earn, and a limited time in which to learn what we *have* to know. An occasional Fireside movie or Friday coffee house as a pleasant diversion from daily school routine we appreciate, but don't feel involved in.

Speaking as an individual, I find both sides and every degree in the middle equally as valid. I don't believe in apathy. Every single body cares about something but nobody can care about everything. Some of

us go to school and live at home, and some of us live at school and go home.

The simple fact that everyone here is an individual with separate interests seems almost too obvious a point to even make. But often we tend to forget that everyone else doesn't always give a damn about what we are doing.

I respect those who try to get things done at LBCC. I may not personally be a big foosball fan, but can greatly appreciate the effort it takes to arrange the appearance of an excellent theatre group. Others may not be able to appreciate the effort it takes to *try* to put out a good newspaper, but that's natural. Different strokes for different folks.

We're all here; we're all different. That's the way things should be. And that's all I wanted to say. □

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It is the intent of the *Commuter* to be a newspaper that will be representative of the campus community. We encourage student participation through letters to the editor, freelance articles, photos cartoons, or suggestions or comments. All written submission must be typed double spaced and signed by the contributor. Material for Friday's publication should be submitted at the *Commuter* office the Monday of that week. The *Commuter* reserves the right to edit grammatical errors or condense overly long material without changing context. Where controversial issues are involved, we will try to present opposing positions.

The *Commuter* office (F-105) is open Mondays and Wednesdays from 3-4pm for those of you who have a question. . . or an answer!



## Political awareness club formed

A new club, calling itself RAIN, was formed last week under the advisorship of Jim Barnes, LBCC history instructor. The group was organized to provide a progressive forum, through the use of films,

lecturers and discussions to develop more political awareness and perspectives.

The group, as one of their first activities, are showing a forty minute film entitled *Brazil: No Time for*

*Tears*, today at 2pm in the Alsea-Calapooia Room. After an introduction on political developments in Brazil since the 1964 military coup, the film features interviews with nine former Brazilian political prisoners

who recount their ordeals under torture.

The next meeting of RAIN is scheduled for Monday at noon in Board Room A. □

## Scholarships available

According to Financial Aids Counselor Rita Lambert information on different scholarships and special financial aid programs is arriving weekly. The information is posted on the bulletin board outside the Finan-

cial Aids office in the Administration Building.

Some additions to the board this week are South Santiam scholarships and research project grants for students who graduated from Scio,

Sweet Home, Lebanon, or Central Linn high schools. Also, the Eastern Star and P.E.O. sisterhoods have scholarship programs for women who wish to achieve a college education.

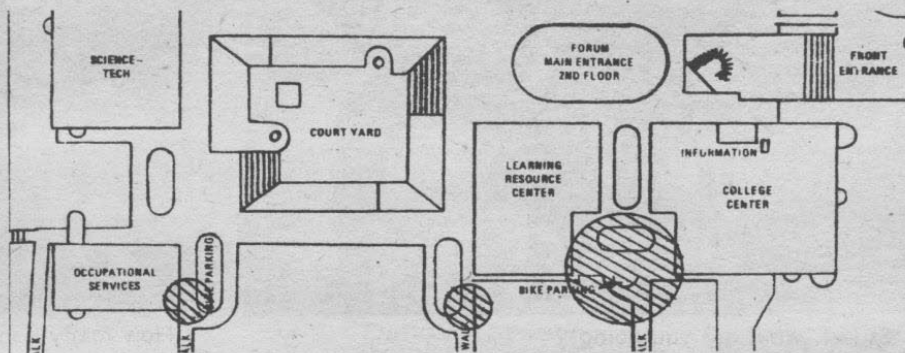
Minority students planning to

transfer to a four year college may qualify for the college scholarship offered by CEEB. Information on any of these programs can be obtained from the Financial Aids Office.

## Wind screens proposed

Glass enclosures to stop wind between buildings on the LBCC campus are to be constructed soon. The enclosures will be similar to the double glass doors going into buildings; ceiling to floor glass partitions surrounded by shaped metal, with decorative, protective wood trim.

"The project will cost \$15,150.00," said Director of Facilities Raymond Jean, "with funds coming from the capital projects account. Marion Construction Company of Salem submitted the bid being considered for acceptance and will complete



construction within 75 days after the contract is signed."

Jean stated that, "A board meeting is being held February 13 to

discuss the matter. If it is accepted the contract signing will be in the next few days."

The enclosures to be constructed this spring all face the south side of the campus and will include first and second floors between the LRC and the College Center, the Occupational building and the utility core to the east, and the second floor between the LRC and the west utility core.

Construction of more wind screens is planned when funds permit. □

## Tomorrow's People in concert Wednesday

LBCC's Swing Choir *Tomorrow's People* will present their winter performance Wednesday from 11:45-12:45 in the College Center Com-

mons.

The twenty-one member group will perform rock, rock folk, and jazz. They will feature soloists Keith

Bailey, Sue DeLaune and Don King performing *McArthur Park*.

The group is also preparing for a spring concert with concert choir in

March. This date will mark the first appearance of the LBCC Stage band. □

## Malheur field station classes set

"Anybody could go out, and their eyes would see things they've never seen before, and their mind would come alive in a way it never could in a classroom." These words were spoken by a student about the experience of taking a summer class at Malheur Environmental Field Station south of Burns in Eastern Oregon.

Dr. Denzel Ferguson, station director, will be on the LBCC campus February 25 to show a film of the area and answer questions on the summer

program. He will be in ST-119 from 8-9am.

The field Station is set in the rich and varied ecology of the Malheur Wildlife Refuge. Students have the opportunity to explore many areas of science, working in the field with teacher and classmates. Peter Eberhardt, OSU Earth Science major who took two summer classes, says, "It blew apart my stereotype of what science was—being out in the country, doing field work really opened it up to me...I've never been a bird

watcher, but in the first two days I easily learned to identify 40-50 species in the field."

Students sign up for one four credit class during a three week session, living and eating together at the station. There are four sessions, and a wide variety of classes to choose from. In addition to the science courses, there is photography, writing wilderness survival, archaeology, primitive pottery, and many others. Teachers are hired from all over the U.S.

Dr. Robert Storm, OSU Zoology professor, teaches Vertebrate Biology at the station. When asked why he chooses to do it every summer, he replied, "I love it. I like spending hours and hours with the group. In the middle of a lecture, if we want a better understanding, we can jump in a bus and go see whatever it is we're talking about."

Students desiring course description brochures can contact Robert Ross, LBCC Biology instructor. □

## Student parking to be expanded

Next year's LBCC students will have more parking space with the addition of two lots on the North side of the campus.

"The two new lots should be completed over the summer, when

it's dry out," explained Larry Lindsay, grounds superintendent. "It's too muddy to get much done beyond initial groundbreaking," Lindsay added.

The lots will add 125,000 square

feet of parking space to LBCC. "There should be enough room to handle at least 175 more cars," Lindsay replied.

The two new lots are separated by a fenced area called the bone pit.

The "pit" is the home of several chunks of automobiles used by auto shop classes. The two lots will provide more convenient parking for shop students, but will be open to all □

## Golf team forming

An intercollegiate golf team is being formed on campus for spring competition. The team will compete with other community colleges and is open to both men and women. It will

be coached by Spring Hill Country Club's pro Rex Dunham.

The organizational meeting for the team will be held on Friday, February 21 in the Santiam Room. According

to Director of College Center and Student Activities Bob Miller the first meeting will be important to the formation of the team. Miller asked that interested students contact him

in the College Center Office if they were unable to attend the meeting or wished more information on the team. □



# STAGEFRIGHT!

By Jim Perrone

Photographs by Bob Byington



"Let's go for a spin!"



"Stuart, what are you doing!?"



"How many hands do you have!?"

*Stagefright!* a production of *The Improvisational Comedy Theater*, was presented to an audience of LBCC students and faculty members in the Chatauqua room on February 12 from 11:30am to 1pm. The Santa Barbara, California group presented a series of original musical comedy

scenes to an enthusiastic audience who were receptive to the zany style of comedy and voiced their approval at the opening of the credits given by the cast which in part included, "Clothes by K-Mart, Composure by Valium."

The laughter reached a peak as

audience participation was solicited by the cast and members of the audience generously offered the services of each other. Phyllis Williams, one of the five whose services were volunteered by others had this to say, "As an unwilling participant, I was very pleased by the talent and by the

group's performance."

Other comments were made by non-participants which include one by Leslie Segar: "Excellent! It shook me right out of my depression." Gene Bragel said: "I thought it was pretty good! Connie Smith was still smiling after the performance

By Jim Hancock

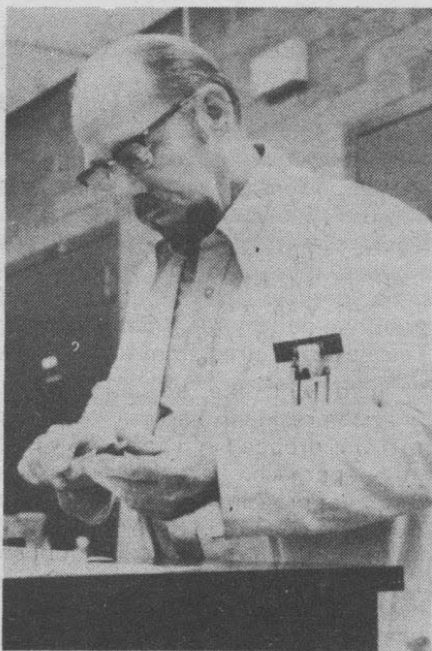
## Wind speeds measured from top of ST building

Meteorology is weather observation and forecasting. LBCC does not have a meteorology program, but does have a machine that measures wind from a fixed location atop the science building.

Speculating on the idea of starting a class, chemistry staff member Jean Rasor said, "I would like to see the meteorological studies program expanded, if the school budget could be accommodated to allow it."

Rasor continued, "About two years ago, three of us (members of the science staff) went down to Pyramid Lake in Nevada, when the government decided to shut down its lunar program there. The government sold alot of their equipment rather than transport it somewhere for storage. We bought about \$5,000 worth of equipment for \$800." Rasor explained that the items purchased at Pyramid Lake included chemicals, glassware, wires, tubes, and other materials besides the weather equipment.

Weather is more complicated than



Jean Rasor

Photo by Steve Anderson

the measurement of wind speeds and directions. In general practical terms, loggers, farmers, and other people interested in the weather, would be as interested in humidity (the measurement of moisture content in the air) as they would winds, because of possible fire hazards, drought, flooding, and snow. For similar reasons, daily knowledge of air pressure changes in an important part of weather studies.

"When asked about the possibility of a meteorology program, Dean of Instruction Robert Adams said, "I am not aware of anybody making a request for a meteorology program. There may be a desire for it among the students and faculty. It would not be difficult to provide some kind of basic course, if there were twelve or more persons interested in taking it."

"If we had unlimited resources," said Adams, "we'd try to provide every kind of program the students wanted. The facts are, we don't have

those resources."

Adams said that one of the things that determines how ideas become programs, is that anyone can suggest ideas. "Since Rasor has an interest in meteorology, and he's a member of the staff," said Adams, "I would welcome and respect his suggestions. But not everybody is aware that this approach is available."

Referring to a possible meteorology program, Adams said, "There may be a manpower opportunity that I'm not aware of. We look at a larger service area. We tend to look at manpower needs closer to home."

Adams cited the current edition of the Department of Labor Occupational Outlook Handbook, he read, "Nearly two fifths of all meteorologists in the United States, live in California and Maryland. More than one-tenth of the meteorologists work in Washington D.C. The profession is expected to grow moderately, in the 1980's."

## Next Week

MONDAY

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Meeting: Student Senate, 4pm Santiam Room  
Basketball: LBCC vs Blue Mountain CC, 6:30pm Activities Center  
Basketball: Everyone welcome, 12-1pm Activities Center  
Volleyball: Women, 12-1pm Activities Center

TUESDAY

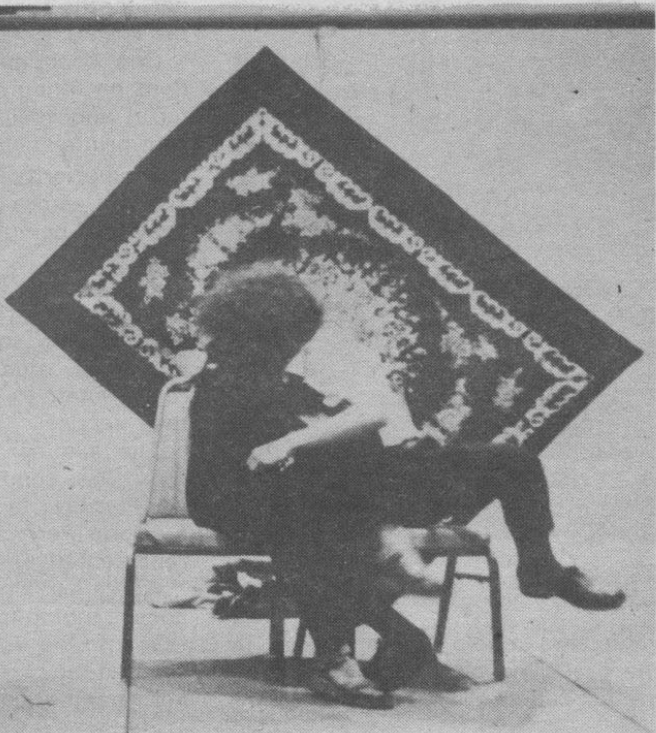
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Meeting: Programming Council, 12-1pm, Aisea Room  
Volleyball: Everyone welcome, 12-1pm, Activities Center

WEDNESDAY

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wants to talk to you."

...remarked: "They are very  
entertained," and Gary Wolfe summed  
up the audience's reactions and  
the standing ovation at the conclusion  
when he said: "Enjoyed it!"  
The enthusiasm and fun was not  
sided but was shared by mem-  
bers of the cast. Margot Lindsay said

she was: "pleased at the ovation,"  
and remarked: "how well organized  
and ready the participating staff of  
LBCC was." Larry Schlomkowitz  
convincingly related his feelings  
when he said: "Performing here was  
a great experience."  
Members of the cast other than the



"Flash!"

LBCC students who got caught in the  
act were; Remi Aubuchon, Stuart  
Gershen, Larry Schlomkowitz, and  
Margot Lindsay. Dan Diamond  
furnished the music and Keith Bowen  
supplied the technical know how.  
Arrangements for the presentation  
was made by LBCC's programming

council committee on Lectures and  
Performing Artists. Selection was  
made possible through C.A.P.S., an  
outside committee who coordinate  
the varied presentations. □

## Darrell Laffoon

### Veteran's voice

The LBCC Veterans Association  
at its official start last week. An  
organizational meeting was held on  
February 5th, to explain the purpose  
and goals of the Association.  
Briefly, the purpose and goals are  
as follows: 1) Purpose—To serve as  
a self-help organization for veterans  
on campus and local veterans who  
need assistance in matters relating to  
veterans. 2) Goals—  
a) To raise money for the Vets  
Emergency Loan Fund.  
b) To be an information resource  
for members and local veterans.  
c) To secure purchase discounts  
from local merchants for Association  
members.

d) To coordinate with other  
Oregon colleges and universities in a  
statewide veterans lobbying effort.

A petition for recognition (as an  
official student club) was signed at  
the meeting and given to Student  
Activities Coordinator, Judy Green;  
thus the LBCC Vets Association is  
born (officially).

Unofficially, we've barely left the  
delivery room. With only 30 people  
present at the first meeting, and 20 at  
the second meeting (held last Mon-  
day), it is obvious, to this observer,  
that the Vets Association will have  
quite a formidable task, trying to  
organize all 700 veterans on campus.

Several suggestions for accom-

plishing this task were put forth at  
the first meeting. Among them: a  
free dance or concert, a free kegger  
(beer), discounts with local mer-  
chants and membership cards.

At the meeting last Monday, a  
steering committee was formed to  
head the membership and organiza-  
tional drive, and designate other  
committees to help with the task.  
The president, vice-president, secre-  
tary, etc. format was dropped in favor  
of the committee approach.

The committee approach was a-  
dopted to enable all members to have  
a voice in the actions and decisions of  
the club, thus eliminating the forma-  
tion of a clique, or power elite.

Members of the steering commit-  
tee are: Michael Clark, Dwight Hall,  
Bob Warnick, King Smith, Larry  
McKee, and Darrell Laffoon.

Any questions, comments, ideas or  
suggestions should be directed to the  
steering committee members, or  
written down and sent to me, in care  
of the Veterans Affairs office. I will  
personally see to it that any sugges-  
tions, etc. relating to the Veterans  
Association are brought up before the  
steering committee.

The next formal meeting date has  
not yet been set. When it is, I shall  
publish it in this column, so keep in  
touch. See ya next week. □

#### THURSDAY 20

Christians on Campus, 12-  
am Room □ Basketball: 12-1pm, Activities  
Center □ Film: The Russians are Coming, all day,  
Fireside Room □ Seminar: "Who  
decides the News," all welcome, 11-1pm,  
Board Room B □

Meeting: Rodeo Club, 12-1:30pm, Alsea  
Room □ Volleyball: Everyone welcome,  
12-1pm, Activities Center □ Film: "The  
Russians are Coming," all day, Fireside  
Room □

#### FRIDAY 21

Basketball: LBCC vs Clatsop CC,  
Activities Center □





## VITA tax seminar held



VITA volunteers attended a three day seminar this week to learn the workings of filing income tax forms.

Photo by Bob Byington

Tuesday marked the beginning of a three day seminar on tax returns sponsored by the Internal Revenue

Service through Community Education at LBCC.

The IRS has organized a group of

volunteers to help, free of charge, in the preparing of tax returns. The group, called VITA, (Volunteer In-

come Tax Assistance) trained individuals who were willing to go and help senior citizens with their tax returns. Three books were given to two volunteers who attended the seminar, for the purpose of helping fill out tax forms.

One book gave detailed instructions on filling out forms 1040 (long form) and 1040A (short form) from your printed name to your signature. Having priority in the Portland IRS office if you run across a problem is also a benefit of being a VITA Representative.

Anyone may be a VITA volunteer. The only requirement is the willingness to help someone. VITA is a non-profit organization and VITA representatives may not charge for their service.

The seminar, sponsored by LBCC, was conducted Tuesday and Wednesday by Dave Apple and Marjorie Perry, a tax payer service representative.

Apple explained that the IRS is not something to be feared. He said, "Go into the IRS office one day and see that they are real people, they are not computers or machines." □

## Four new programs proposed

"All are being added by a need already expressed by students and employers," states Coordinator of Public Information, Kirk Berger concerning the four new programs to be offered LBCC students if the budget passes.

The four new programs "Engineering Technology, X-Ray Technology, Animal Science, and Science Technology, are the result of the development of course curriculum planning, and a study of need in the community over a period of two

years, according to Assistant to the Dean of Instruction Barbara Dixon.

Science Technology is a program designed to train students as laboratory technicians in biological labs and wastewater treatment plants. Science technology is an extension of the wastewater treatment program.

Animal science is a vocational and college transferable program preparing students for jobs in the feed industry and on farm production. The program will train people for jobs as technical assistants in off-farm ani-

mal occupations such as artificial breeding and veterinarian assistants.

"The X-Ray Technician program will be one of three in the state," said Berger, explaining that the Albany General Hospital will provide the facilities and LBCC will provide the instruction. Graduates of X-Ray Technology will qualify for jobs as x-ray technicians.

Engineering Technology is designed to prepare students as assistants for civil and mechanical engineers in the areas of designing and construct-

ing highways, bridges, and dams. The engineering technician will learn to do cost estimating, surveying, and drafting.

Several other current programs will be expanded if the budget passes. They are the Nursing Assistant, Nursery Home Care, Secretarial, Legal, Medical, and Administrative. Also included will be instrumental music. The expansion of these programs will primarily be the addition of staff to meet the growing number of students. □

## Student crafts on display

A new display case, located in the student government office, is available to all LBCC students who would like a chance to show off their artwork

and crafts. There is a one week time limit for all exhibits and each display must have approval of a senator.

Display case rules and a sign-up

sheet are available in the student government office. "We thought perhaps some talented students would like to have a

chance to show their work," explained Heather Sallee, ASLBCC senator. □

## Bill Lanham Far afield

If you do much traveling around the Albany area, then you've probably seen a lone figure, trudging his way through the cold biting weather.

Right away two questions come to mind, who and why?

The who question is easy. His name is Milard Rupfruk. Milard is a jogger. The why question is much more bizzare.

Rupfruk's mother Isafrut Rupfruk has strange yet fond memories of Milard as a child. "He never did learn to walk, as a matter of fact he ran out of the delivery room." Smiling she continued her story. "It took seventeen nurses and six orderlies to catch the little rascal!"

"That's my boy," piped in proud father Roy Rupfruk. "That boy hasn't walked a day in his life!"

Thinking back his mother recalled, "It was kinda nice havin' Milard around to run errands. The best part was he did it so fast." Pausing to wipe a tear from her eye, Mrs. Rupfruk went on to say: "Why I could send little Milard to the bank, the store, the post office and over to the neighbors to pick up or drop off things. Anyway that boy would be back before I had time to sweep the front room."

Shoe salesman and close friend Bobo Schevoulski remembered Milard. "He was my best customer. Used to knock off 50 to 70 percent of his shoes. . .he'd buy six or seven pairs at a time. He'd come in about every three weeks to buy them."

Although Rupfruk claims to have had a perfectly normal childhood, his

friends and neighbors think quite to the contrary.

One classmate Burton McBidle remembers Rupfruk as a loner. "They wouldn't let him go to the basketball games, cause he'd run around the gym and distract the players.

"I felt sorry for him," recalls Milard's high school principal Ross Bubbala. "At the dances he'd always knock people over. . .he was a bit hyper."

Milard's next door neighbor Rattella Huntsman complained, "Yuh always had to look both ways befer yuh could step onto the sidewalk. Once I set my dog on him, but ol' Spot couldn't catch that boy!"

I found Milard as usual jogging, the interview was hard and about one

mile long.

Milard said he didn't mind complex errands but, "my mother started using me instead of long distance phone calls!" That's why he ran into his ex wife.

"We loved each other, it's just she couldn't keep up with me."

"I started jogging because I like the wind in my hair, the soft rain on my eye, the hard gravel in my other eye and the blisters on my feet," yelled as he pulled away jogging briskly down the road, and leaving me behind.

Somehow I understood. Milard Rupfruk may never meet his goal here on earth, but someday he'll cross that great finish line in the sky! □



# Sports

## Linn-Benton sports on the upswing

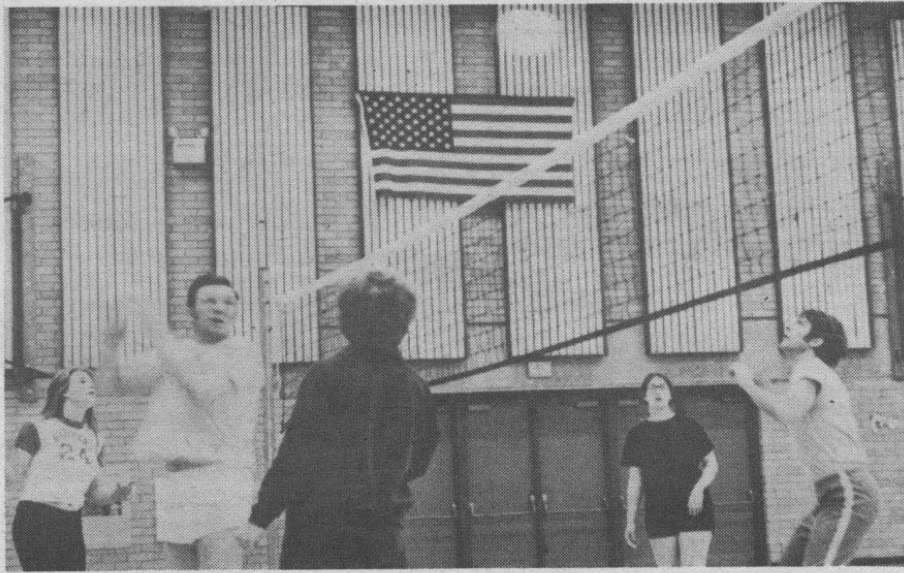
The public is not aware of the quality of athletics at LBCC according to Division Director Dick McClain. "The students have no idea where the Activities Center is located," McClain asserted.

"We are constructed completely for an educational purpose which provides extra-curricular opportunities for our participants in sports, intramural and intercollegiate activities," McClain stated.

At major universities, such as Oregon State and Oregon, football and basketball represents big business. Their sole purpose is to make money and consequently, their programs are not educationally based. "At LBCC we're in a completely different ball game," McClain said. "There's no way, shape or form we can compare ourselves with four-year universities."

Most season tickets are hustled by professional salesmen. "Their athletic director is a businessman with special knowledge in sports," McClain indicated. "My position at the community college level is more of an educational one," he remarked.

"The stigma of being a lesser school or student by going to a community college is being over-



A break in the action as the ball hovers over the net during one of the intramural volleyball games that are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Activities Center.

come," McClain observes. "Before we had our facilities (Activities Center) the general attitude in local high schools was that LBCC's athletic program wasn't good enough to participate in.

"Now we're more readily accepted," McClain declares. "I think we are building tradition through previous successful programs," he added.

Attendance has been erratic at Roadrunner basketball games this winter. "Some days attendance is fair; sometimes poor," McClain said. "I think for the price, the students are missing a good show," McClain said. All home intercollegiate sporting events are free to LBCC students presenting their student body cards. "Today's generation doesn't pos-

sess an emphasis on loyalty and association (school spirit) that was once prevalent," McClain explained. "The attitude of 'do my own thing' is a prominent practice of the student body in general." However, I do sense more pride in students at LBCC than in the past."

"We are getting support from non-student adult population. There is a local group that is presently establishing a Roadrunner booster club," McClain stipulated.

LBCC envisions an expanded sports program for women. P.E. instructor, Arlene Crosman, who is also LBCC's gymnastics coach, indicated however, that interest in a women's track team has produced little response.

Director of intramural programs, David Bakley reports that intramural activities are designed to meet the needs of a variety of students. "The intramural program has been successful in a limited way," Bakley said.

"Too many indoor sports present space conflicts," Bakley mentioned.

"This spring we can eliminate the confusion inside, because most intramural programs will be offered outdoors," he concluded. □

## Roadrunners bomb Chemeketa, face Lane tonight

LBCC snapped a three game losing streak last Wednesday night, overcoming Chemeketa 107-61 in the highest scoring performance in Roadrunner history.

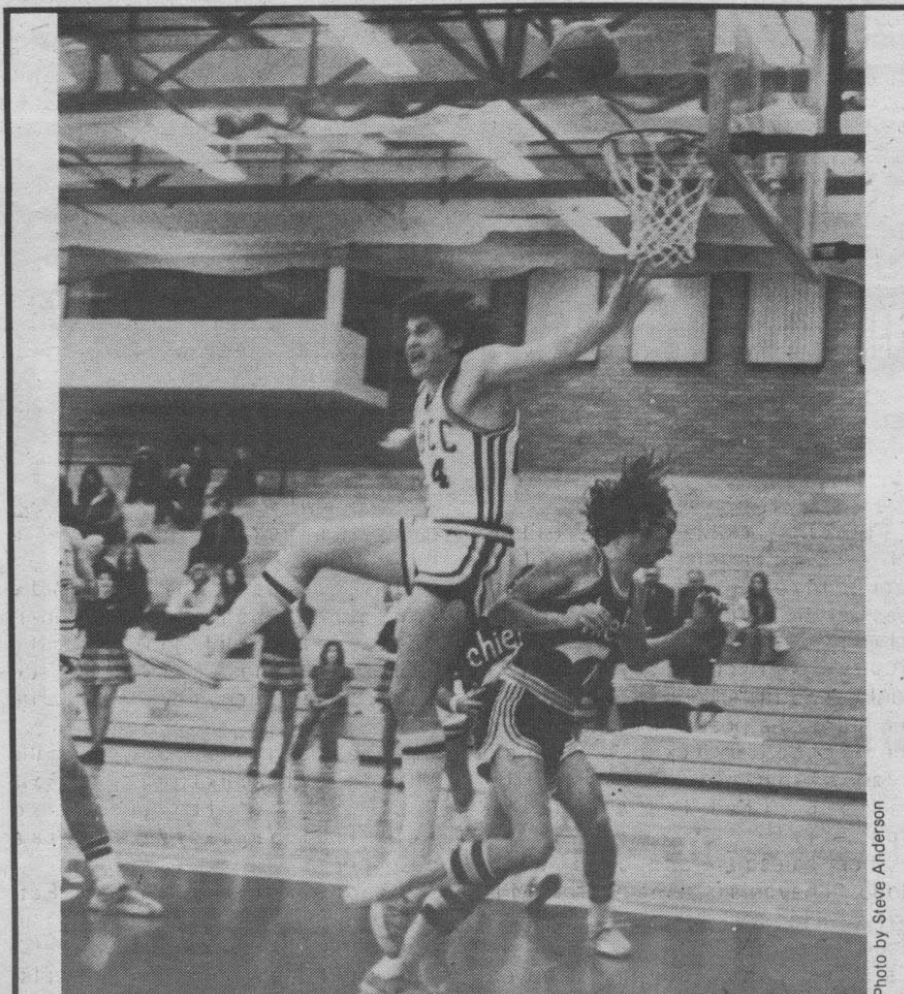
"We went out to do a job and received a total team effort," Kimpton exhorted. "We were defensively tight and forced many turnovers. Defense was the key to our fast-break," he affirmed.

LBCC stands in fourth place at 8 and 5 losses in the Oregon Community College Athletic Association. The Roadrunners are 15-10 on the season. Lane leads the loop at 12-1. LBCC led by as many as 31 points in the first half and blew the game out 80-39 with nine minutes to go when Kimpton emptied his bench. Chemeketa's spotty ball control, missed shots and numerous turnovers filled the difference according to Kimpton.

Paul Poetsch led all scorers with 26 and remains the top scorer in the league at 22.2 points per game. Greg Lewis poured in 18 points. In a zone formation on offense, Lewis is the best playmaking pointman Kimpton says he has ever coached at LBCC.

Brad Fletcher, Curt Leonard and Gene Amos each finished with 12 points. "Fletcher had a good week in practice and turned in a fine performance tonight," Kimpton remarked.

"It will be a big job for the team to continue at this pace."



Linn-Benton's Paul Poetsch goes high, only to miss an intended pass in the Wednesday night game with Chemeketa.

Tonight LBCC tangles with Lane CC at 7:30pm at the Activities Center. "Lane is the most talented team in the league," Kimpton asserts. "We are capable of beating them however, with a maximum Roadrunner effort."

Lane stacks a huge front wall under the hoop. 6'5" Robbie Smith binds the center, while 6'4" Rick Wedig and 6'5" Doug Ainge handle the forward slots. Smith, an all-leaguer last year as a freshman, averages 18.4 ppg. this season and is third in OCCAA rebounding at 9.5 per contest.

Rob Woods and Greg McKay pose as Lane's long-range shooting threats.

Umpqua, SWOCC, Blue Mountain CC, and LBCC are still in the running for a Region 18 playoff berth, which is awarded to the top two teams in the final OCCAA standings. □

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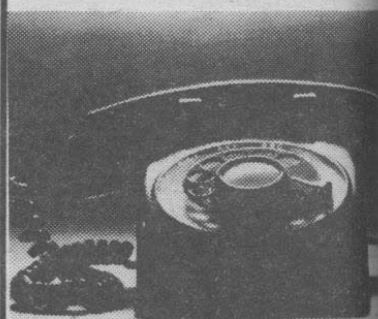
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