

International flag project draws mostly support, some opposition

by Steven Adler of The Commuter

Have you seen the 10 flags representing different countries hanging in front of the Multicultural Center and the Student Lounge? If not, stop by and take a look. The Associated Student Government would like to know your opinions about the flags.

"This is a way of making the campus more inviting and representative of the diversity in our world," said Tammi Paul-Bryant, director of Student Life and Leadership. "These flags are the first installment of 80 international flags planned to hang around the courtyard."

Two consecutive Associated Student Governments have approved the purchase of flags with student fees, allocating \$3,000 from Special Project funds.

"We are seeking students' opinions, inviting them to submit their comments," said Jon Henderson, LB's Associated Student president. Special collection boxes are in the Student Life and Leadership Office and at assorted locations around campus.

Faculty and staff have already responded to an e-mail from Paul-Bryant soliciting comments that she sent out following the Sept. 11 bombings. "The responses of the majority were very supportive," said Paul-Bryant. "A few, however, had some reservations." "This is a way of making the campus more inviting and representative of the diversity in our world." — Tammi Paul-Bryant

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-Jim Crotts

One staff member with reservations is Jim Crotts in Internet Support.

"Truthfully, I will be offended by some of the flags," responded Crotts, "especially those of nations that choose not to stand beside us. I do not want to be forced to walk under them nor look up to see them in my sky. I will not hate them, but I will remember them, and, yes, we have a lot to remember.

"My wish is that you would just display the American Flag," he said.

Nearly two years of planning by students, faculty, staff and consultants have refined the

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Photo by James Bauerle

Josh Pierce casts a long shadow as he strolls under the international flags hanging on the Courtyard balcony Monday afternoon. Student Life & Leadership is soliciting student opinions on its proposal to add more flags.

Forum lights up marijuana issue

by Robert Mack of The Commuter

An open forum to discuss the legalization of marijuana will be held in Forum Room 104 today (Oct. 3) at 12 p.m. Sandy Burbank from Mothers Against Misuse and Abuse and State Rep. Jeff Kropf of Albany will address the issue, including the problems that could arise from legalization of marijuana and how the government would be able to regulate marijuana

Brett Furtwangler, a mem-

ber of the Student Programming Board (SPB) who organized the event, said that the purpose is to educate people about the legalization of marijuana, since it

New ASG president outlines goals

by Becky Pedersen of The Commuter

He is a 20-year-old Business Administration major who plans to transfer to OSU or a similar

university, and he also owns a welding shop. In many

dent, public relations Secretary and five representatives of the various instructional divisions on campus.

He also acts as the "voice" for the student body as a whole and decides what complaints from students should be presented to the College

will be an issue that will bebrought in front of the stateeventually.

Anybody who would like to attend and add their input is encouraged to attend, said Furtwangler. Participants will be served a free lunch of soup and rolls. The event is sponsored by the SPB. ways, he's like any other community college student, but what separates him from the rest is that he represents the entire student body of LBCC.

Jonathan Henderson is the Associated Student Government President for the 2001-2002 school year.

As president, Henderson conducts the weekly Wednesday meeting of the Associated Student Government, which consists of the vice presi-

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Council and Board of Education.

"I take my job as president seriously and I am excited for the opportunities for both myself and the student body this year," said Henderson.

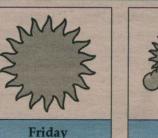
This year, Henderson would like to get to know students as individuals as opposed to talking to the head of a department to get students' ideas. He plans to visit student club meetings to gather ideas and suggestions, as well as hosting barbecues in the courtyard, and inviting students to come to the 3:30 p.m. Wednesday ASG

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CAMPUS NEWS

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Oh, hell no!

After getting a very light sentence for stealing \$30,000 from the California bank he worked at, a 24-year-old man had the nerve to ask the judge for a furlough so he could go on vacation with his family. He had plea bargained a sentence of only one month in a halfway house and five months' home detention. He told the judge that the vacation would involve the use of firearms, because it was to be a hunting and fishing trip. The flabbergasted judge refused him saying, "I have a strong concern that you're not getting it."

Noodled attempt

A mán tried to rob a corner store in Harrison Township, Pa., pretending he had a gun wrapped in his shirt. It was actually a can of ravioli. The attempt failed.

Bad timing

While everyone else was in shock over the terrorist attacks in New York and Washington, Abdou Moussa made it clear to his fellow employees at a warehouse in North Carolina that he was very happy about it. In fact, he came to work the next day wearing combat fatigues. He was, of course, fired. Undaunted, he refused to leave, and was arrested for trespassing. It was then that the police discovered that he is an illegal alien from Niger. Now, he has been deported.

Oops! Not again!

Facing financial ruin because of his 20-yearsyounger second wife's spending habits, a 62-yearold Georgia doctor was very upset with her. Very upset indeed. In fact, he tried to have her killed, police say. Fortunately for her, the supposed hitman was actually a cop, so she wasn'tharmed. Buthe was arrested, and authorities are revisiting the sudden passing of his first wife who was found dead in a bathtub.

Security increased after media equipment theft

"We try very hard to keep our

loss of the stolen and damaged items was

ment locked onto carts. We do what we can

to prevent theft," Holland said concerning

At LBCC, the school is always battling

security versus openness issues, he said.

Making multimedia equipment available

the prevention of further occurrences.

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-Mike Holland

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vent theft."

valued at \$1,000.

by Chante' Marvin of The Commuter

The college has beefed up security with added locks and door checks following two thefts of equipment from Forum classrooms over the summer.

Various multimedia equipment was stolen, including a VCR, a DVD player and a Wireless Microphone System, according to Mike Holland, vice president for Administrative and Student Affairs. The burglars attempted to take additional equipment from an overhead camera but did not succeed, he said.

When the theft happened, all the equipment was locked onto a cart that had been broken into to retrieve the equipment. The

Henderson: Goal is to get students involved

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meetings to express their concerns. He would also like to establish a student leadership club so more people have the opportunity to get involved.

"There are other ways for students to express their concerns," Henderson said, "such as the Pass-the-Buck program, e-mailing me, talking to me, or talking with their advisor."

Henderson is also hoping to add more international flags around the courtyard balcony, a proposal that has become controversial since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

"Some students and staff have expressed concerns about having flags of other nations around campus," Henderson said, "but we are trying to reach a compromise so everyone feels comfortable."

In the years after LBCC, Henderson hopes to represent a large corporation or to build his own business to be large enough to support him.

Flags: Student feedback sought

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selection and placement of these flags, said Paul Bryant.

First priority was given to flags representing countries of the students currently attending LBCC, said Paul-Bryant, and then to flags of former students and those who are enrolled in distant education. Beyond that, an attempt was made to balance out continents and regions.

"Ultimately," said Paul-Bryant, "the students would like to hang all of the United Nations flags around the entire courtvard."

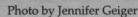
In the wake of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, Paul-Bryant admitted that soliciting feedback is a "blessing and a curse."

"We will look for compromise, can we honor all?" said Paul-Bryant.

for classes is part of the education opportunities here. However, he said it is also important to keep security tight. Following the thefts from the Forum, door locks have been installed to protect equipment. When rooms are not in use, staff is advised to keep the doors locked, especially during the evening. Equipment is also locked inside carts, Holland said.

The Albany Police Department was notified of the thefts and the case is currently under investigation.

Although incidents similar to this have occurred within the last two years, according to Campus Security Director, Vern Jackson, nothing of this nature has been reported since fall term began.



Frying Up a Welcome Back

Twila Skelley of Student Life & Leadership grills burgers during last week's Welcome Back Barbecue in the Courtyard, which also featured music and information tables by campus organizations.

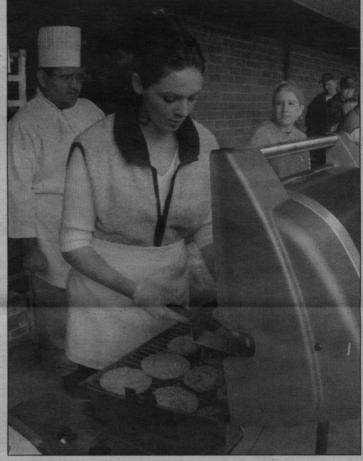
Seminars held to give students tools for college survival

from time management to test anxiety.

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-From KRT News

by Tracie Love of The Commuter

If you're looking for answers on how to overcome test anxiety or manage your time, you might find them at one of the Survival Seminars held every Tuesday at

For the third year in a row, various faculty members from the Developmental Studies Department will teach just about anything you need to know about getting through college. Some sessions are aimed at discovering your learning style and how to use it, learning to balance your work, family and

The next seminar will be held Oct. 16 in LRC 210. The topic will be Creating Visual Study Aids, in which participants will learn how to make flashcards, diagrams and cheat sheets to help you learn and memorize information better and faster.

A variety of other topics are planned in the weeks to come. just one. Free snacks and prizes will be offered at each seminar. Dates of future seminars are: •Oct. 23-Time Management;

•Oct. 30—Learning Styles of the (Not Yet) Rich & Famous; and

•Nov. 6-Overcoming Test Anxiety.

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CAMPUS NEWS

Food Services offers three different eateries on campus

by Katee Cox

of The Commuter

Linn Benton students have a variety of choices when it comes to grabbing a bite to eat on campus. Nearly any craving can be satisfied in one of three campus eateries.

The Courtyard Cafe, located in Takena Hall, may be the most commonly known to students due to its location at the heart of campus. The cafe was enlarged two years ago in order to attract more students. Its hours of operation are from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Fridavs.

The menu includes a variety of fast foods ranging from burgers and fries to pizza, soups and salads. The cafe also has the only espresso machine on campus.

For those who prefer a healthier lunch the Commons Cafeteria is located on the second floor of the College Center Building directly above the Business Offices. The Commons offers a quieter environment with larger tables than the Courtyard Cafe and offers a view out over the campus oak grove.

With freshly prepared meals that feature three entrees each day, a full salad bar costing only 30 cents per ounce, sandwiches and fresh breads, the Commons offers students and staff a wider variety of lunch choices. The Commons is open from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The third option for getting something to eat is the Santiam Room, located down the hall from the Commons. Run by the students in the Culinary Arts Department, the Santiam Room offers a more formal dining experience. It provides a sit-down and serve environment with individually prepared entrees and desserts. It is open for light breakfast at 9:30 a.m. and for lunch from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Prices in all three eateries tend to be equal or less then what would be paid at a fast food restaurant. Gene Neville, the food services director, said he tries to keep the "prices as low as possible," in order to fit students' needs.



Photo by James Bauerle

The Courtyard Cafe in Takena Hall is one of the most visible eateries on campus, but it's not the only one. A full-service cafeteria is open for lunch on the second floor of the College Center, as well as a sit-down restaurant run by Culinary Arts students called the Santiam Room.

Family Connections helps student-parents cope with college

by Wendy Geist

of The Commuter

Is it possible to be a parent and to attend school simultaneously?

Many LBCC students try, and Family Connections tries to help. The Family Connections service, located in the Workforce Education Building (WEB), provides information and referrals to students, families, and employers on child care and family issues.

Family Connections' goal is to "improve the quality of child care in Linn and Benton counties," said Coordinator Pam Dunn.

Child Care and Community Resource and Referral care costs to students who meet the income requirefacilities in the state. The office works in conjunction with the Education Program and the Child and Family Studies Department at LBCC.

Students who are also parents often find that arranging a workable schedule can be a challenge. To help them, Family Connections works with student-parents sultant Lynnette Wynkoop. "Don't wait too long." to find the right balance among child care, classes, work and study time.

Family Connections has a database of over 500 child

care partners and providers in Linn and Benton counties, which consultants use to cross reference a parent's needs with available child care options, such as inhome care, certified centers, or after-school programs. Parents need to consider the cost, hours, size, and age of children accepted, said Dunn.

Family Connections is also the place students need to go to first if they want their children to attend the oncampus day-care facility in the Family Resources Building, located next to the tennis courts on the west side of campus.

Family Connections is also the "access point" for the Now 13 years old, Family Connections is one of 17 Student Block Grant, which provides subsidized childments. There is a one-year waiting list.

> Dunn said it is important for students who want to access on-campus child care to contact Family Connections early.

> "Sooner is better," said Family Connections Con-

Dunn said students are sometimes "shocked" when they come to enroll their child in the Family Resources center the week before fall classes start only to discover

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that there are no openings left.

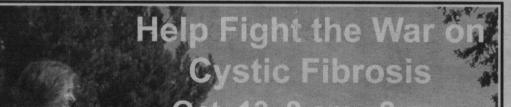
The main sign-up time for fall quarter is the previous spring and early summer. To qualify, children have to be at least 2 and one-half years old and the parents must be willing and able to participate in scheduled labs with their children, because the day care center is operated as a co-op

Family Connections also offers technical assistance and training to child care providers and contract with several local companies and LBCC to provide seminars on balancing work and family life. The center also makes referrals for families needing respite care.

In addition, written materials are available on parenting topics such as "taking care of an infant" and 'the development of a 2-year-old," said Dunn.

Family Connections is located in Room 128 of the WEB building. People can either come in to the office or call 917-4896. Hours are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. There is no cost for a consultation. Assistance is also available in Spanish.

For more information, go to the center's web site at http://www.lbcc.cc.or.us/familyresources/ familyconnections/



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Counseling center offers advice on academics, personal problems

By David Marconi

Of The Commuter

LBCC's Career and Counseling Center offers more than just academic advice to the students of LBCC.

According to Department Chair Mark Weiss, the center provides three services for the student-career counseling for the undecided student, crisis counseling for the emotionally distressed, and academic counseling for students needing help with classes.

The Career and Counseling Department, located in the front of Takena Hall, is staffed with six full-time counselor and one part-time counselor. All have at least a master's degree and have their own speciality, said Weiss, who is a 12-year veteran of LBCC.

While the counselors haven't

ing help as a result of the World Trade Center tragedy on Sept.11, Weiss said he thinks that may change as the term moves on. Right now, he said, students are very task-oriented and too busy enrolling in classes, purchasing books, finding classrooms and the like.

Only a few students affected by the tragedy have sought out his services so far, but Weiss expects that once the initial shock wears off, they'll seek help.

As a result he has organized a meeting for students and staff to air their feelings about the terrorist attack and its aftermath. It will be held today (Wednesday Oct. 3) at 10 a.m. in the Multicultural Center. For more information call Susan Prock at 917-4461 or the counseling center at 917-4782.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Which Dylan is coming to town?

by Chad Richins of the Commuter

Bob Dylan is . .

A lot of people have been trying to figure out that one for a long time. His publicity-shy ways, his sometimes baffling artistic choices, and his mercurial stage presence have all added to the Dylan mystique. This leads to some interesting questions.

Is there a real Bob Dylan behind the enigma? Or is the mystery all there is? Behind the curtain of cryptic lyrics, the steely stare and the legend, is there a little Bobby Zimmerman from Duluth, Minnesota that is just a regular guy who figured out how to keep 'em guessing?

At live shows, Dylan seems to like to maintain an adversarial relationship with his audience, sometimes turning in a smooth, crowd-friendly show, and other

his way through a set bent on causing physical pain with his music. Dylan also seems to flaunt his status, taking the stage before opening acts at times and playing so long that he cuts into their sets. Once the troubadour champion of the under-appreciated, his music is known more for stirring thoughts than souls. Musically a child of the 50s, Dylan's influences include Elvis Presley, Woody Guthrie and Hank Williams, as well as blues greats like Robert Johnson.

After leaving Minnesota, Dylan made a name for himself in New York's Greenwich Village where he impressed people with his incredible ability to learn songs and play them back after hearing them only once. By 1961 he was signed to a recording contract. Although a household name and a critical success,

times screeching and mumbling Dylan's commercial success often fell short. Paul Simon has scored more number one hits, which goes to show you that pop sells, but art endures.

> When Dylan comes to Corvallis this weekend, it should be a fairly surreal setting in Gill Colliseum, even more so than when his son Jakob's band, the Wallflowers, opened for Tom Petty there this Spring. His fortythird album, "Love and Theft" is in stores now, and is Dylan at his most eclectic, rambling through various styles including country, ragtime, vaudeville, blues and lounge.

Bob Dylan, then, is a lot of things to a lot of people. To some he represents artistic arrogance. To some he is a folksy remnant from a bygone era. Say what you will about the man, he is still around and he still packs the house wherever he goes.



Taking a Peek at Art

An oil painting included as part of a two-artist show now on view in the LBCC Art Gallery has a cloth hanging over it with a sign advising viewers that, "due to mature subject matter," they have to lift the cloth to view the work. The work, titled "Nékam myslál jsem tento," is by Charlotta Puckette of Corvallis. The exhibit also features sculptural work by Hillary Egna and is up through Oct. 12 in the gallery, located in the AHSS Building.

ALBUM REVIEW

Glimmers of brilliance fail to save Dylan's 'Love and Theft'

Thor Christensen

The Dallas Morning News When Bob Dylan released the mostly-stunning "Time Out of Mind" in 1997, it was both long overdue and totally unexpected. Mumbles had been stuck in a creative drought for so long that some Dylanologists assumed he'd given up songwriting altogether.

But ever since "Time" won the album-of-the-year Grammy and redefined the phrase "the new Bob Dylan," fans have been eagerly awaiting Phase II of the Great Dylan Revival.

And now, in true fashion, he refuses to give it to them.

pop styles, "Love and Theft" seems slight coming in the wake of "Time Out of Mind."

It's like "Self-Portrait" (1970) on the heels of "Nashville Skyline" (1969).

If nothing else, "Love and Theft" is an album full of

the appearance of Hepcat Bob in full-blown Stray Cats mode ("Summer Days") or the spate

Ahit-and-missrompthrough of jaunty-jazzy pop tunes blues, rockabilly and old-timey straight out of a Fred Astaire movie.

> Listening to breezy dance ditties like "Moonlight" or "Po' Boy," you can picture Dylan in tuxedo and cane breaking into the old soft shoe.

Yet his trademark mangled vocals simply aren't made for such old-time poptunes. Hisraspy

whine fits more snugly on the blues songs-his voice has lowered over the years to where Dylan, at age 60, now croaks like the Delta blues legends he's long admired.

But whenever he tries to be a pre-WWII crooner-which is much of "Love and Theft"-he just sounds like Leon Redbone with a massive head cold.

Moments of brilliance rise to the surface now and again, especially when Austin guitar slinger Charlie Sexton and the rest of the band propel His Bobness into the blues: "Honest With Me," with its greasy discofunk rhythm, is a cross between "Highway 61 Revisited" and "Chic's Greatest Hits."

And if "Time Out of Mind" captured the bard at his most morbid, the new disc finds him in full-bore Jokerman mode.

He's constantly throwing wacky barbs ("I'm stranded in the city that never sleeps/Some

of these women they just give me the creeps") and tossing out bizarre couplets. In the 12-bar blues, "Cry A While," he sings "Preacher's in the pulpit and the babies in the cribs/I've been longing for that sweet fat that sticks to your ribs."

But Dylan's wonderfully twisted humor isn't enough to overcome the half-baked tunes (especially the sour, CD-ending "Sugar Baby") and the oftwretched singing.

The fact that his new version of the "Time" outtake "Mississippi" sounds geriatric compared to Sheryl Crow's 1998 version speaks volumes about "Love and Theft": When Sheryl Crow is one-upping you, you know your album is in trouble.

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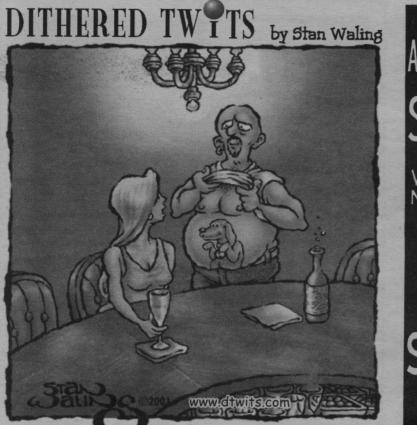
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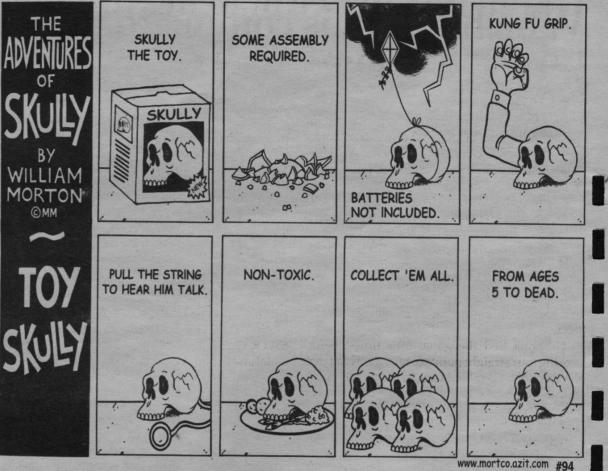
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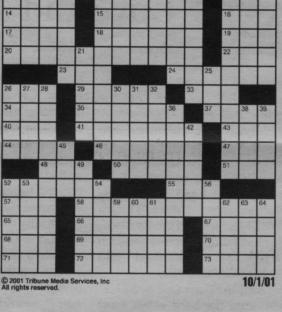
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SPORTS PAGE

Runners split two matches to climb into fourth place with 2-3 record

by Christina Laramore

of The Commuter

The Roadrunners split last week's league games, falling to visiting Southwestern before picking up a win over Umpqua in the Activities Center on Saturday, putting them in fourth place in the Southern Division.

On Saturday, the Roadrunners grabbed a 30-27, 30-26, 30-19 win over the Timberwomen after a delayed start due to a late show by Umpqua.

LB took an early lead over the Timberwomen in the first game, allowing Umpqua to just get within just one point of the runners.

The Timberwomen played tougher in the second game, battling out between rallies to take the lead.

Umpqua tied the game four times, before scoring four straight points to take a 9-5 lead over the Runners. LB rallied back to score four points and tie the game. The battle continued between the two teams as they both fought for the lead and the win.

The Runners won that battle however, putting a gap between them and Umpqua on the board and setting up middle hitter Jessica Horsley for the kill and the win.

The third game was much the same, with Umpqua taking a 5-4 lead over LB before Amy Johnson stepped up to serve and scored five straight points, giving LB a 9-5 advantage.

The Timberwomen closed to within one point toward the end of the game, but the Runners then ran away with the score on their way to a 30-19 victory.

Horsley led LB with 17 kills and 41 total attacks while picking up seven digs as well. Kim Wednesday.

West had six kills for the Runners while Leslea Brown led the LB defense with nine digs. Janine Dionne served a total of 22 points for the Runners in the match while Brown added another 16.

The Runners served 92 percent against the Timberwomen, with 37 kills, 33 attacks and 37 digs while limiting Umpqua to just 21 kills and 19 attacks.

That win was LB's second of the season while Southwestern gave them their third loss on Friday.

The Runners lost three straight games against the Lakers, falling 30-26, 30-18 and 30-22.

Horsley led the Runners once more at the net, picking up nine kills and 27 attacks.

As a team, LB had only 28 attacks against SWOCC's 31.

Johnson had 11 service points to lead the Runners offense while West added another 10. Crystal Galedrige chipped in eight assists while Dionne added seven to round out the Runners totals.

Southwestern led in every category, with 83 digs, 92 service points and 10 aces, dominating the game and sending the Runners home early.

5'11" freshman Kim West was named the NWAACC Southern Region offensive player of the week for the week of September 16, along with other nominees from surrounding schools.

West had 24 total service points, nine total kills and 34 total attacks for LB in last week's games.

LB goes on the road against second place Chemeketa (3-1) this Friday before battling with dominating Mt. Hood (5-0) the following Wednesday.

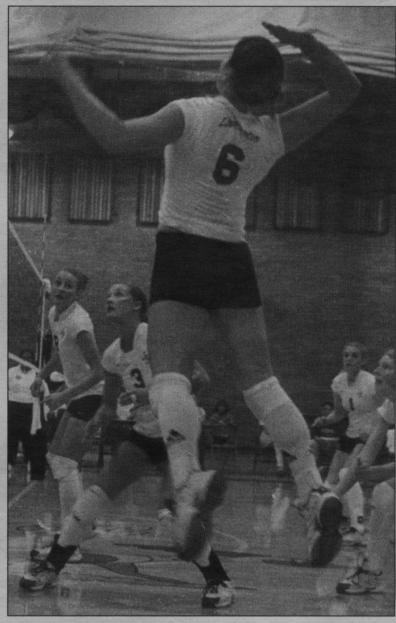


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Sophomore Jessica Horsely goes up for one of her teamleading 17 kills in last weekend's victory over Umpqua.

Students can relieve stress in Rec Room

By Jered Reid

of The Commuter Students looking to kill time between classes can enjoy a variety of games at the Recreation Room, located in the Forum building next to the Student Life

and Leadership office. The room, which offers pool and arcade games for students, is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The room has four standardsized pool tables in good condition. The cost is 4 cents a minute and an LB student ID card is required for ball rental. The arcade games include two newer machines—a football game and racing game—as well as an older, yet still entertaining Neo-Geo machine. The room also has a pinball machine with a circus theme. All of the arcade games prices are equivalent to other arcades.

Mindy Bearden, who works in the Student Life and Leadership Office, says that students are allowed to bring guests as

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well as their children into the room. Food and beverages are also allowed to be brought in, and there is a pop machine and a snack machine in the room. The office does ask students to clean any trash they leave from food or beverage.

The Student Life and Leadership Office runs the room and also offers a daily trivia game in front of the door of the room, where students can win free games of pool by guessing daily movie quotes.

Hawk gets early look at new and, hopefully, improved team

by David Miller

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had an old saying: "Wait till next year." Well, for the LB baseball team and Coach Greg Hawk, next year has arrived, and Hawk is looking for an improvement over last season. Last year's club was only the third team in 30 years of LB baseball to finish below .500, and Hawk knows this year's hitting and pitching will have to be better if the team hopes to make the playoffs.

"We have had great success with our program throughout the years," said Hawk, "and I want to get back there this year." Hawk is also looking for his pitching rotation to step up. He said the team needs a stronger closing pitcher for later in the game, which is where the Runners faced most of their problems last year.

"If we had a power closer to the end last year, I know we would have won more than half the one-run games that we lost and we probably would have made the playoffs," said Hawk.

At the plate, the team is going to miss the presence of Andy Narver, who hit .336 last season.

"Last year we had solid hitters; we just couldn't move the ball around," Hawk explained.

Become a Health and Recreational Specialist!

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Talent grants available for the person selected.

Applications are available at the Student Life & Leadership office and will be accepted until October 5th, 4 p.m. Interviews for this position will be held October 10th. Please contact Charlotte Aaron at 917-4472 if you have any questions! Hawk has already seen positive signs in fall workouts, partly because more intensive recruiting over the summer has brought in more athletes, and partly because he has a strong core of returning players.

On defense, Hawk thinks his team needs to be more athletic at some of the positions. "We have a very young outfield," he said, "but they are smart and they know the game."

These new players have some pretty big shoes to fill, with the loss of last year's entire starting outfield. This year Hawk is looking for his club to concentrate more on playing "small ball"—hitting ground balls to the right side with runners in scoring position. "Scoring position is everything; you can't give it away, and when you have it you must take advantage of it," Hawk said.

Another key for the twotime NWAAC champions this year will be concentration.

"If we don't prepare ourselves, we won't have success this year," Hawk said. "People need to grow fast this year for us to have the success we want."

OPINION



COMMENTARY

Don't let terrorist attacks divide America like the Vietnam War did in the 1960s

by Chad Richins

of The Commuter This is an interesting time to be alive in America. Very similar, from what I have read and been told, to the

Vietnam War Era. Everywhere you go, you can hear people talking about American casualty counts, proposed bombing targets, national defense, the draft, etc. A peace march in Washington, D.C. drew thousands over the weekend, some of whom clashed with police and ended up in jail reeking of pepper spray. Except for free-love and rampant drug use, it's the sixties all over again.

As the American war machine comes to life, so do the anti-war protest groups. Once again, a far away country

has become the focus of American attention, and the newly unified American mainstream society scrambles to make sense of it all while fringe groups compete to get their views heard. All of us are trying desperately to understand the basics of the situation we are in. Who did this to us? What are we going to do about it? When will the strikes happen? Where will they happen? There are even people who are asking why must they happen.

In the sixties, there was a sharp divide between those who supported the war, who were characterized by some as war-mongering, buzzcut, redneck, chauvinist pig-fascists who supported the military-industrial complex, and those who stood for peace and were called long-haired, smelly, dope-smoking commies who were too afraid to fight for their country.

It was Us against Them, no matter whose side you were on, and it accomplished almost nothing except to hasten the unsuccessful end to a questionable war.

By the end of the war, however, the hearts and minds of mainstream America had been softened by appeals for peace and by the demoralizing effects of losing our fine young men and women in messy battles no one was

clear about the reason for. In the end, society

mended its divide, the soldiers-some of whom had, it turned out, killed innocents, came home, and the protesters, some of whom had, in fact, spit upon returning soldiers, began to regret the former extremity of their views. Time has healed some of those wounds, although the decisions we made back then continue to affect the veterans of that conflict, their families, and everyone else whose life was changed forever by the war. To those who would rather us forget the recent attacks on the United States, I suggest you read the paper and see the faces of the Americans who were killed, read about their families and try to comprehend the pain these attacks have caused, and try to understand that we must defend our country against its enemies. If we can be precise enough, and target only those who have declared war on us, then it will be a good fight. Unfortunately, we live in a world where sometimes violence must answer violence. To those who would go in guns blazing to a country we really don't understand, and bomb the hell out of everybody, I suggest you read your history and find out how tragic that can be for everyone involved. To everyone, I say remember that we are all Americans, all Earthlings, for that matter, and while we may disagree about things, we need to stick together and not be divided, lest we be conquered.

WHAT STUDENTS THINK

What do you think of ASG's proposal to spend student fees to hang international flags around the courtyard?

"I think it's a beautiful thing. I love all the colors of all the different flags." -Josh Whitmore, business & supervisory management





"I think it's a good idea." -Mary George, undecided

"I don't have a problem with it. I have a bigger problem with them spending money on the smoke shacks." Michael Hall,



computer science



"I think it's a good idea because it shows our support (and) concerns leadership and freedom." -Brandy Frick, dental assistant

"I think it's a good idea because everyone will be exposed to the world, kind of."





-Ronnie Nelson, nursing



"I think it's a good idea because it shows support for our country, and that we can all come back together when something bad happens." -Lucinda Looney, nursing

Compiled by Jenn Geiger and David Miller

days of the Vietnam War, the most common word that people use when describing that period in American history is, "divisive." I see it as an encouraging sign that the word for this new conflict has been, "united." It is also encouraging that our leaders have not rushed off to bomb anyone in sight, and that the president has embraced peaceful Muslims here and around the world and has made it clear that the Afghani people in general are not targets for our bombs. It is a tribute to increasing American maturity that we are finding less extreme ways to exert military might, and those who plead for peace should take notice.

To return to the comparison between today and the

During Vietnam, battle lines were drawn between separate ideologies within our country and people died defending them, as four Kent State students did on their Ohio campus in 1970. It seems the most dangerous thing to do right now would be to not hear other people's points of view and to lock one's self into an inflexible position on anything.