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One More For The Road

The Albany Transit System bus pulls up in the fog outside Takena Hall on its newly added campus run. Due to increased ridership, ATS added a third morning bus stop at LBCC, beginning this week. The new route will operate during fall, winter and spring terms as long as ridership from the campus warrants, said supervisor Kristie Chilcote. It will not operate during school breaks or summer.

Half of all kids are victims of sex abuse

Investigator says incest, pedophilia remain serious problems

By Brad Gordon
Commuter Writer

"At least 50 percent of all kids will be molested or exploited by the time they turn 18," a child abuse investigator recently told a group of 75-100 citizens in Corvallis.

Stan Robson, who has been with the Benton County sheriff's Department for 18 years, has spent 14 of those years investigating sexual abuse of children. He discussed the subject Nov. 17 at the Lasells Stewart Center in Corvallis, telling the audience that his purpose was to "instill a little paranoia in all of you tonight."

Robson addressed two broad areas of sexual abuse: incest (sexual abuse of children within the family) and pedophilia (sex with children from outside the home).

According to Robson, incest

usually—but not always—involves a father or step-father and a daughter. The offender can also be an uncle or grandfather, and more uncommonly a female family member and a male child.

Robson stated that it was a myth that step-fathers were more likely to be incestuous than natural fathers.

Typical incest—that between father and daughter—begins subtly, he said.

"In most cases, incest starts when there's a breakdown in the nurturing between spouses, or there never was one established. With that, there is a stressful situation that comes about, whether it's work-related, marriage-related, financial-related, whatever. He doesn't have that person to go to," Robson explained.

"So he'll go to the child," he continued. "He'll start talking to her. He'll start out very subtly. He doesn't even know that he's going to the child for that purpose to begin with. But he starts to

realize that the child isn't shouting back, arguing, bickering, fighting with him, or anything; she seems to be listening. He starts fantasizing that the child is listening and caring about what he has to say and tends to be sympathizing with him. And with those fantasies immediately starts to develop fondling, caressing, and touching where he's really looking at that child as an adult figure."

According to Robson, when incest starts this way, the child doesn't realize anything is wrong. It's only when they get older—5, 6, 7 and 8—that they begin to wonder why they must keep it a secret.

Doubt builds, then guilt.

Robson said that when the child gets even older—9, 10 and 11—"they're perceiving that they're the only ones being treated this way, that their peers aren't being treated the same way by their parents."

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Puppeteers to entertain local youth

Puppets, magicians, a juggler, a storyteller and Santa Claus all are part of LBCC's annual Children's Christmas party, this Saturday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the College Center Commons.

Sponsored by ASLBCC, the party is free to children 12 and under accompanied by an adult. Donations of canned goods will be accepted for needy families in Linn and Benton counties.

Highlighting Saturday's entertainment is the Oregon Puppet Theatre presenting the classic Grimm's fairy tale, "The Elves and the Shoemaker."

Susan Barthel and Bruce Chesse, founders of the theatre, were featured performers this year at the World Puppetry Festival in Japan. Their production, "Lewis and Clark Explore the West," won the 1988 National Appreciation Award from the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Association. The theatre performs frequently for schools, museums and corporations throughout the Northwest and Alaska.

Party goers also will be entertained by magicians Weiss and Patricia, juggler David Lichtenstein and storyteller Louise Johnson.

The event, which is hosted by 75 students and members of The Retired Senior Volunteer Program, last year attracted 450 children from communities by LBCC.

For more information, call the Student Programs Office at 928-2361, ext. 150.

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COMMENTARY

Stealth Bomber cannot clear towering price tag

While most of America feasted on the traditional Thanksgiving bird with all the trimmings last week, a select group of 500 watched a different breed of turkey trot out of its coop in the Mojave desert: the B-2 Stealth bomber.

By virtue of its boomerang shape and innovative composition, the Advanced Technology Bomber can theoretically slip undetected through enemy radar. Experts predict that the plane's low-profile silhouette and non-metallic, radar-absorbing materials will reduce the radar blip it produces to that of "a good-sized bird." Other features are designed to mix cool air with the plane's exhaust to avoid detection by heat-sensitive satellites.

Will it work? Probably, but the first test-flight isn't scheduled for several months.

Do we need it? Not badly enough to justify spending half a billion dollars per plane. At double the cost of the B-1B—Air Force's latest technological albatross—the Stealth bomber is the most expensive military aircraft ever made.

Attempting to sell their ultra-secret project to Congress and tax-payers, the Pentagon let their ominous bird of prey out of its shrouded Californian cage long enough to buzz Madison Avenue. Honda began featuring the hot, slick Stealth in their sports car advertising weeks before the official unveiling. It's new, it's advanced, and it would look great in America's driveway.

Congress pitched the B-2's ability to stalk trucks and trains carrying mobile missiles behind enemy lines. However, the Air Force qualified this claim to the point of effectively retracting it. Although the Stealth could destroy strategic command centers, communication centers and bridges more efficiently than the cruise missile-armed B-52's of yesteryear, that edge doesn't merit billions of dollars.

Defense department executives hope that the manta ray-shaped marvel will shift the Soviets' focus and spending from offensive weaponry to defensive circuitry. Developing alternative radar systems to spot the Stealth would indeed divert a sizeable chunk of the Kremlin's defense funds. But the balance of power isn't about keeping up with the Joneses. The U.S.S.R.'s treatment of cruise missiles suggests a policy with higher priorities, such as enabling its densely populated county to feed itself without relying on U.S. grain imports. In an era of perestroika when both super-powers agree there's no such thing as a winnable nuclear war, the Pentagon has no business prepping for World War III.

Our present bomber fleet coupled with a capacious collection of ballistic missiles is enough fire power to last us for the next ten decades. Granted, the sophisticated radar-eluding engineering manifested in the B-2 promises invaluable improvements for conventional forces. But this particular project is nothing more than a superfluous testimony to the ingenuity of Honeywell, Boeing, and Hughes Aircraft. The Stealth bomber's astronomical price tag and puffed-up merchandising cannot disguise this turkey in the supermarket of Stealth technology.

Patricia Fax
Commuter Writer

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perspective

Judge Wapner: The King Solomon of our day

By Brad Gordon
Commuter Writer

I've always admired the U.S. judicial process. That's why I make it a point watch "The People's Court" every day.

When "The People's Court" first aired a few years ago, I was skeptical. How could televised justice really be taken seriously? Well, I'm happy to say the experiment has been a remarkable success. In fact, I agree with what Ed Meese, my next-door neighbor, told me the other day. He said, "The People's Court" has surpassed the Supreme Court in importance, power, and popularity." (Note: in case there might be some misunderstandings and eventual lawsuits, the Ed Meese that lives next door to me is a carpenter by trade and is in no way connected to the former U.S. Attorney General.)

Judge Wapner is the reason for the success of "The People's Court". He's of the old stock, a hanging judge who believes Justice carries a sawed-off shotgun. There are no repeat offenders in his court. In the last two years, he's placed 78 people on Death Row, handed out more than 900 life sentences, and collected close to \$8 billion in "contempt of court" fines.

Whenever Judge Wapner throws on his black robe, he proves himself to be the most talented man in the entire world. Not only does he hand

down decisions that would make King Solomon cringe with jealousy, but he also does it in record time. He has Rusty, the bailiff, swear everyone in, hears the arguments, asks a few questions, leaves, and comes back 90 seconds later with a decision that drips with wisdom. The entire process takes no more than 15 minutes. Wapner is single-handedly unclogging the courts in the greater Hollywood area. He's sent men to the chair even before their mug shots could be developed.

What's even more amazing is Wapner's ability to interrupt whoever is speaking, ask irrelevant questions, and still make profound decisions. In one case, between two men who backed into each other in a K-Mart parking lot, he spent five minutes—a third of the trial—asking the defendant, a building contractor, how to construct corners (the judge had decided to add a second recreation room to his house). After commercials for a laxative, a funeral home, and canned tuna, Wapner returned and sentenced the defendant to help him in his add-on project.

There are many other cases I can recall that illustrate Judge Wapner's keen judicial prowess.

I remember one case where a woman filed suit against a man whose pit bull attacked her while she drove her riding lawnmower from the garage. The lawnmower sustained damages close to \$1,200 and the

woman lost a leg. Wapner sentenced the dog to the electric chair, ordered the man to give the woman his leg and buy her two new riding lawnmowers and a bug-zapper and demanded the woman use defoliant on her yard.

In another case—one that I will never forget—Judge Wapner found the defendant guilty of siphoning gas from his neighbor's cars for more than 30 years.

While Wapner was sentencing him, the man began screaming, calling the judge an idiot, a fraud, and a son of an ugly woman.

Before Rusty the bailiff's six-gun could clear leather, Judge Wapner had rifled his ivory-handled gavel and the defendant. The business end of the gavel dusted the defendant in the forehead, knocking him out and turning him slightly blue. From there, it ricocheted into the audience and boomeranged off a man's face—leaving behind a broken nose and several chipped teeth. Unbelievably, the gavel spiraled back into the judge's kind, soft hands.

Though the defendant was unconscious, Wapner tapped the gavel lightly and continued.

"I find the defendant guilty as charged," he said. "I sentence him to 25 years in San Quentin and to pay all dental and facial reconstruction bills of the man sobbing in the third row."

Students find study time, camaraderie on loop bus

75-cent fare called cheap compared to driving

By Arik Hesseldahl
Commuter Writer

"They say it takes all kinds to make the world go round. They're all here on this bus."

So says Michelle Smith, an LBCC accounting major and a regular rider of the Linn-Benton loop bus, a system providing alternate transportation between Corvallis and Albany including the LBCC campus.

Smith was recently given a US History lecture on the bus by Tom Shaffer, an education major, Smith was studying for an upcoming test, and Shaffer came to her aid, involving everyone on the bus, marking them as historical figures.

"I was embarrassed and I couldn't stop laughing," said Smith, "but it worked—I got a B-plus on the test."

This incident illustrates the camaraderie between the loop bus regulars. The only common factor among these people is the need for transportation—they either lack cars or the funds to drive them each day.

Smith finds the bus an economical alternative to owning a car. "You can't drive (from Corvallis) for \$1.50 a day," she said.

Kie Dallons, another LB student, used to bike to classes each day, but it became too far to go in the bad weather.

The 75 cent fare covers 15 percent of

the annual \$96,000 budget for the loop system, according to supervisor Kris Chilcote. Other funding comes from Benton and Linn counties, the cities of Corvallis and Albany, LBCC and the state.

Chilcote explained that the fare is higher on the loop bus than the city buses of Corvallis and Albany because of its 290-mile daily route, and higher insurance costs.

The loop bus coincides with routes in Corvallis and Albany, as well as a shuttle from Sweet Home to the Albany City Hall.

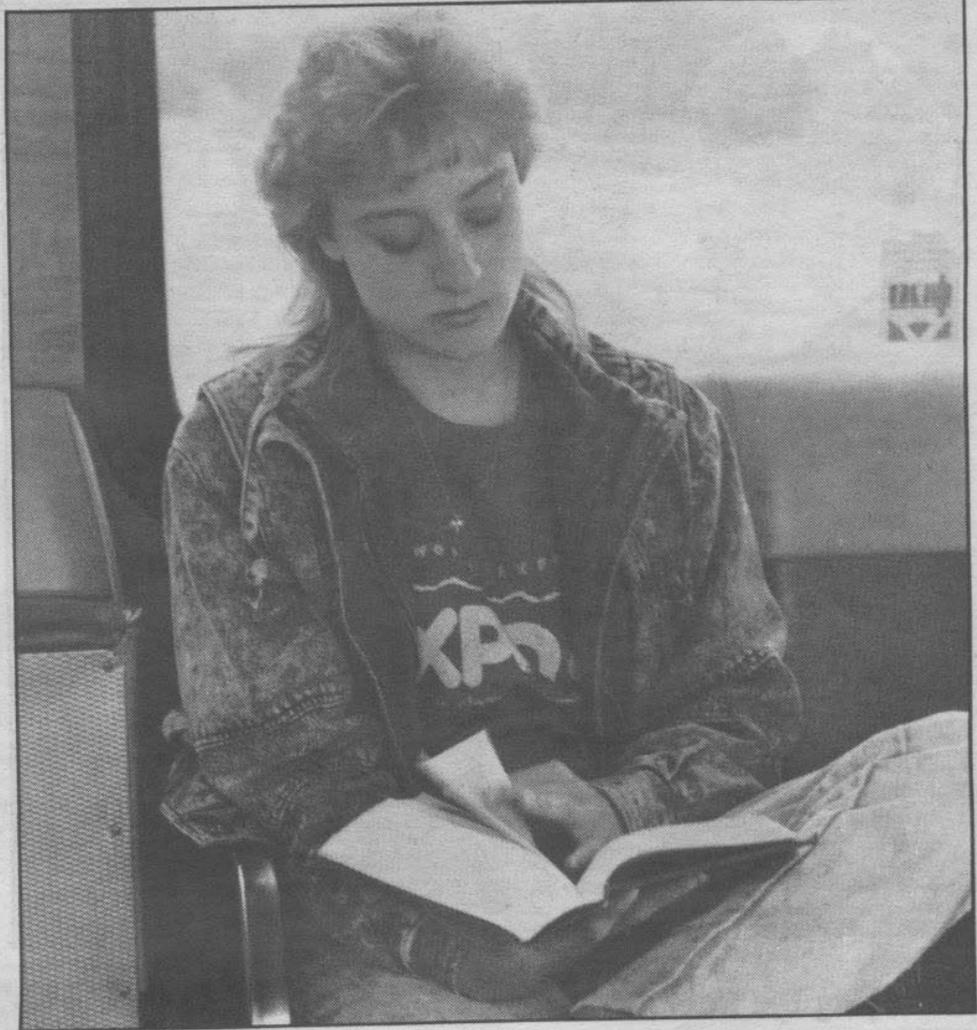
"Some take the bus to Albany to go the the Social Security office," says driver Mary Sanville. "Some of the older people like to go over and make a day of shopping at one of the malls. It's a nice outing for them."

Sanville also commented that the loop bus is equipped with a radio so that drivers can help passengers get onto the right bus in either Corvallis or Albany.

The only complaints that come from passengers deal with scheduling.

"Sometimes the hours are inconvenient," said one rider. "I usually have an hour at school before class and I just sit around or study. It's somewhat annoying because I could do it at home."

Sanville says she likes her job. "I have to like it, or it becomes monotonous. If you don't like driving and people, the work day becomes very long."



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Accounting major Michelle Smith finds the bus ride home a good time for studying.

Ambition finds dream's goal

An idea on how to make a better crutch sends student on two-year project with titanium

By David Wooley
Commuter Writer

Walt Disney said, "A dream is a wish your heart makes when you're fast asleep."

To one LBCC student, Bret Martin, a dream may be an idea or goal you work very hard to achieve.

Martin was paralyzed from the waist down in a farming accident at age 11. Two years ago he got an idea to make a pair of crutches from titanium. Since then this has been his dream.

Martin said he chose titanium because it doesn't lose its resilience, it's strong and yet very light. To his knowledge this had never been done before.

"It was just a wild idea of mine," he said.

Titanium has 10-times the life expectancy of aluminum, which conventional crutches are made of. It also takes longer to fabricate and costs much more.

After months of searching for people to help him obtain and work with titanium, Martin met Mike Pamplin of Oremet, an Albany metal manufacturer. Pamplin found a company willing to donate the metal—Sandvik, special metals division, of Kenniwick, Wash.—and Martin's

dream began to materialize.

He then asked Mick Pamplin, (Mike's brother) of Newcorp, Inc. in Albany to help him with the machining of the metal.

"I thought it would be a good learning experience for Bret and the school," Mick said, and agreed as long as Martin would work with him on the project.

Newcorp, a company which fabricates parts from refractory and reactive metals, will be the project's final stopping point. Here the crutches will come together with the aid of computers.

Though the crutches are to be of the regular aluminum design, they are going to be anything but common. The metal, used will take 10-times as long as aluminum to fabricate. The cost of the titanium is \$30 per pound and total cost to make the crutches would be from \$2,200-\$2,500.

Martin is now going through special training to learn to machine and weld titanium. Because of the cost and time to make them, titanium crutches won't be mass produced any time soon. But, Martin believes this will show other handicapped people as well as non-handicapped people the ambition to strive for their goals and make things happen.

Board doubles tuition waivers, eyes Lebanon building acquisition

At their November meeting, the LBCC Board of Education gave approval to a program that would double the number of tuition waivers given to incoming students each year.

Currently LBCC's student government provides a \$252 tuition waiver to 97 new full-time students each year as an incentive to attend LBCC. These grants are funded through student fees. Under the new program, the board will provide an equal number of tuition waivers each year, beginning next fall financed through the general fund.

In other action, the board learned that the owners of the vacant J.C. Penney's store in downtown Lebanon wish to donate the building and property to the college to serve as a downtown center. The building is located on main Street and is valued for tax purposes at \$152,930.

The board gave President Thomas Gonzales authority to sign documents necessary for the acquisition. Two years ago, the college received a petition by Lebanon citizens urging the college to move its Lebanon center from its current location on Stoltz Hill Road to downtown Lebanon.

If an effort to improve the energy efficiency of the campus, the board approved a resolution to borrow \$627,938 from the Oregon Department of Energy to finance improvements in the college's heating, ventilation and air conditioning system. The energy saving generated from the improvements is expected to be over \$75,000 yearly, a savings which will be used to pay off the loan over a 15-year period.

In committee appointments, the board approved William Frazier, a Lebanon resident and employee of Willamette Industries, to the LBCC budget committee, and also approved 63 people to the college's 40 instructional program advisory committees.

In other action, the board extended President Gonzales contract through 1991 and granted him a 2.25 percent raise in January followed by another 2.25 percent raise in July. His current salary is \$64,120. The two raises will bring his salary to \$67,038. The college will also contribute another \$60 per month to his tax-sheltered annuity, for which Gonzales currently receives \$783 monthly.



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Surveying the Scene

Students in the Surveying I class set up their equipment in the courtyard Tuesday to practice surveying in the fog. Clockwise, from lower left, are Glen Slayter, John Kitterman and Roger Kaiser.

Concert season offers jazz, big band, Santa Claus, choir

By Bill Mills
Managing Editor

"'Tis the Season to be Jazzy" is the theme for the LBCC Big Band performance Dec. 4.

The music continues on Dec. 8 with the LBCC Concert Choir's performance "A Christmas Gift to the Community."

The Community Big Band will perform at 3 p.m. in the Mainstage Theater of Takena Hall. Admission at the door is \$2.50 for adults and \$1.50 for students and senior citizens.

Music selections include "Jolly Old St. Nicholas," "Christmas Vision," "Carol of the Drum," "Home for the Holidays," "Jingle Bell Rock," "Winter Wonderland," "We Three Kings," "Santa Claus is Comin' to Town" and

Good King Wenceslas."

Santa Claus is to make a special appearance, according to Gary Ruppert, LBCC instrumental and vocal instructor.

Featured soloists are Brad Hoyt, Mike Mears, Jerry Hughes and Mike Bevington, all of Albany, and Susan Simonson, Damon Loos and Jim Angaran, all from Corvallis.

The Concert Choir will perform at 8 p.m., also in Takena Hall's Mainstage Theater, and admission is free.

The concert offers a wide range of music, according to Hal Eastburn, LBCC music instructor.

Other groups to perform in the concert include the Albany First Christian Choir, The Chancel Choir and the United Presbyterian Hasannah Choir.

Student council vacancies filled

By Eric Ishikawa
Commuter Writer

The Industrial-Apprenticeship position on student council has been filled.

Robert Zurfluh was appointed to the IA position at the Nov. 16 meeting. Zurfluh is the final member to be named to the 13-member council. He was appointed unanimously by the nine members present at the meeting.

A Student Activity Programs budget committee was also formed at the meeting. The members are Janelle Elms, Bryan Miller, Brian McMullen, Trisha Hitt and Ken Gibbs. The SAP budget

committee distributes moneys to its various programs, including clubs, athletic teams, the Livestock Judging Team, The Student Society, the Loft Theater, and The Commuter. Each program is responsible for generating 10 percent of its budget this year, according to Miller. If they fail to meet this amount their budget will be cut accordingly, he explained. This will increase to 20 percent the following year. The SAP budget for 1988-90 is \$184,558.

All Student Activity Programs have to prove student interest and student benefit in order to be funded.

Liberal education shapes maturity, vision

By Pete Wisniewski
Commuter Writer

"The future of man and all living things does not depend on technical innovation, but on humane solutions. That is the challenge of liberal education," stated Professor Emeritus of Religious Studies Warren Hovland in a speech at OSU's LaSells Stewart Center Nov. 14.

Hovland's lecture, "Liberal Education and the Human Spirit," was the first in a "My Last Lecture" series presented by a group of university honors students.

The theme of the series is "If you had one last opportunity to speak on any subject, what ideas, information or principles would you present?" About 80 people attended the lecture, which had to be held in a larger hall in order to accommodate an unexpectedly large crowd.

Referring to the apocalyptic title of the series, Hovland chuckled. "Every professor should be given the assignment of delivering his last lecture halfway through their career. After all, as Mark Twain once said, 'There's nothing like hanging to clarify the mind.'"

He then remarked that we do live in an apocalyptic age, and that society faces the spectre of crime, urban blight and tottering economy. "Living on borrowed money means living on borrowed time,"

Hovland stated, adding that in the face of such pressing problems, the role of the humanities and social sciences is more important than ever before.

And yet, he said less and less emphasis is being put on liberal education, with more and more students and universities stressing science, technology and vocational skills.

He described the role of liberals in history—they freed the slaves, abolished the poll tax, worked for womens' rights and civil rights, and against racism and bigotry. Hovland stated that liberals are often critics of the status quo and, as a group, often loudest in drawing attention to "the hell of a mess we are now in."

He went on to say, "Liberalism is the freedom to explore all kinds of ideas." He elaborated by saying that it was a leading out of dogmatism, encouraging challenges to old authority, and was a way out of narrow provincialism that "uncovered the reality behind appearances."

Hovland said that the key to a liberal education was self-understanding, and that teachers need to help students discover who they are. He defined the job of liberal education as teaching students

how to think by stressing skills of critical analysis.

"Our society deserves more than hard heads and cold hearts, though," he said, pointing out that an important part of the education process is learning values, consideration and judgement. "We need the educated heart as well as the educated mind."

He said, "To be human means to confront, interpret and understand. While most professional scientists are concerned with how things work, liberal education points to other dimensions of human meaning."

He also remarked that the philosophy of religion contributes skill in critical thinking, logic and valuable insights into questions of ethics. Religious studies address the essential human quest for a meaningful and measurably satisfying life, leading to an awareness of unconditional and infinite absolutes. The sense of wonder, awe and mystery is a necessary aspect of our humanity, affirming that everything that lives is sacred.

Addressing the question of conflict between science and religion, Hovland said that each is a sphere of inquiry and search for truth sharing many things in

common. He said that each have a history and limits, each have symbolic language, each create models, and each need their claims tested by communication. He added that while the classroom is not a pulpit, it is a place where reason and concepts can be discussed.

He said that the search for a great world mythology crates great dialogue, which is the process by which men shape their beliefs. He said that the New Right, being dogmatic, moralistic and fundamentalist, represents a threat to our pluralistic society. He added that only a great diversity of beliefs can have a positive impact on our culture.

The essence of liberalism is equity and equality, which strives toward a fairer distribution of resources. But perhaps, he adds, within a capitalistic society these goals are unrealizable.

He said that the problem of educating teachers has a significant impact on our national consciousness, and that we will not mature socially until we clarify goals and focus on the important issues.

"We have a hard time distinguishing good teaching from popular teaching," Hovland noted. "If we listen to where we are, learn to articulate the process of growth and maturity, only then can learning continue."

arts & entertainment

Van Halen electrifies sellout crowd

By Jess Reed
Commuter Writer

Due to their dynamic performance, Van Halen proved why they are considered to be one of America's elite rock bands.

Van Halen effortlessly rolled through old and new songs in an over two-hour show on Thanksgiving night. Lead guitarist Eddie Van Halen and lead singer Sammy Hagar provided nothing but pure energy for the Memorial Coliseum's sellout crowd.

They opened the show with "One Way to Rock," a song from Hagar's solo career. They then followed with Van Halen's own "Hot Summer Nights," "Panama," and "A.F.U. (Naturally Wired)."

Then base player Michael Anthony ripped into the group's first solo of the night. Though lacking any musical quality, the solo was creative and entertaining as he played his guitar with everything from his microphone stand to his teeth.

The group then joined Anthony to play "Runnin' with the Devil," "Why Can't This Be Love," and "Mine all Mine,"

Drummer Alex Van Halen took three drum kits in his solo which ended with him and the kit being lofted 15 feet into the air.

The band then played their current hits "Cobo Wobo" and "Finish What You've Started." Hagar quieted the crowd by playing his solo song about growing up called "When Eagles Cry." The crowd was rocked by songs like "I Can't Drive 55" and "5150." Then it was time for the star to shine. Eddie Van Halen went into one of his famous guitar solos very few could top. He left the crowd in awe as he played clips of "Eruption" and "Cathedral."

After playing "When It's Love" and "Black and Blue" they ended the concert with "Ain't Talkin' 'bout Love," but quickly came back for an encore in which they played their own versions of the Kinks' "You Really Got Me," and Led Zeppelin's "Rock and Roll".

The band's energy was strong and the enthusiasm was high considering the band members were away from their families on Thanksgiving. Very few fans felt cheated by what Van Halen delivered.



The Commuter/KEN CARL

LB puts new Theatre instructor's talents to use

By Carolyn Puntney

George Lauris is an energetic, busy man. The week we caught up with him, LBCC's new Theatre and Speech instructor was portioning out his time to: his home in Eugene—where his son Nicholas is in high school; Pacific Lutheran University—where his daughter Anna was performing in "Agnes of God"; and LBCC—where classroom tempo was picking up and Camelot was halfway through its run.

He also had appointments that week to tape "voice-overs." (He does films and both radio and television commercials.)

A licensed builder, he might have been involved in home construction somewhere

too. Fortunately, he wasn't, and we could do an interview.

Lauris is a professional actor as well as a director and instructor of drama. He has been engaged in Eugene theatre for 18 years. He was interim Artistic Director for the 1985-86 season.

His "most rewarding theatre experience before coming here" was the successful and still on-going summer touring show for Teatro Nuestro.

The touring show was born three years ago when the Hispanic Educational Program (HEP) commissioned a play to be written regarding the welfare of the great number of migrant workers on the West Coast. Lauris was hired to direct the production.

"They (HEP) wanted a vehicle by which they could carry basic information about citizenship, their rights as workers—particularly their concerns about working around pesticides and chemicals," Lauris said.

"The trick was to make all this heavy information palatable. So we wound up making a situation comedy with music. In and around the music and comedy, we snuck in the message.

Cast members are principally foreign University of Oregon students. Written in both Spanish and English by an Irishman, a Dane, and an Argentinian, and directed by a Greek, the play "is truly an international piece," he said.

Spanish-speaking cast members and

early audiences helped hone the play's authenticity with the inclusion of idioms and expressions and other realistic stage business.

"They have a great time," Lauris said. "A salsa band travels with, and the people in the camps bring out food and drink. They party."

"It's exciting," he said. "It's grown and become successful. It's no longer small. It's all professional—everyone is paid. And there's nothing like it being done anywhere else.

The play was filmed by KQED and will appear on PBS this winter.

By that time Lauris will be directing Room Service for LBCC. Chances are, he'll be up to other things as well.

WRITER'S BLOCK

By Janalee Trulove

Ever since the dawn of money, people have lusted after pieces of gold. Through the centuries, money has caused woe, corruption and loss of life. Modern times haven't become much better. People still flaunt their wealth in front of the eyes of the poor. Moreover, the thought that money can cure all of a person's problems still prevails. The hunger of money will always be a force in society.

Every Wednesday and Saturday, at 6:59 p.m., someone has the chance at becoming an instant multimillionaire. The Mega Bucks Jackpot is growing. A crowded line stood patiently waiting. The green painted monster, sounding like a ticker tape machine, eagerly gobbled up hard earned money in one or five dollar bites. The Mega Bucks Automatic Lotto Machine was extremely busy with customers.

With trusty note pad in hand, I stood in the produce section between displays of oranges and grapefruit at the Albany Safeway store. Looking down the ever increasing line, I saw all walks of life hoping that their ship would finally come in. I tried to imagine what some of these people would do with this huge amount of money and started to take notes.

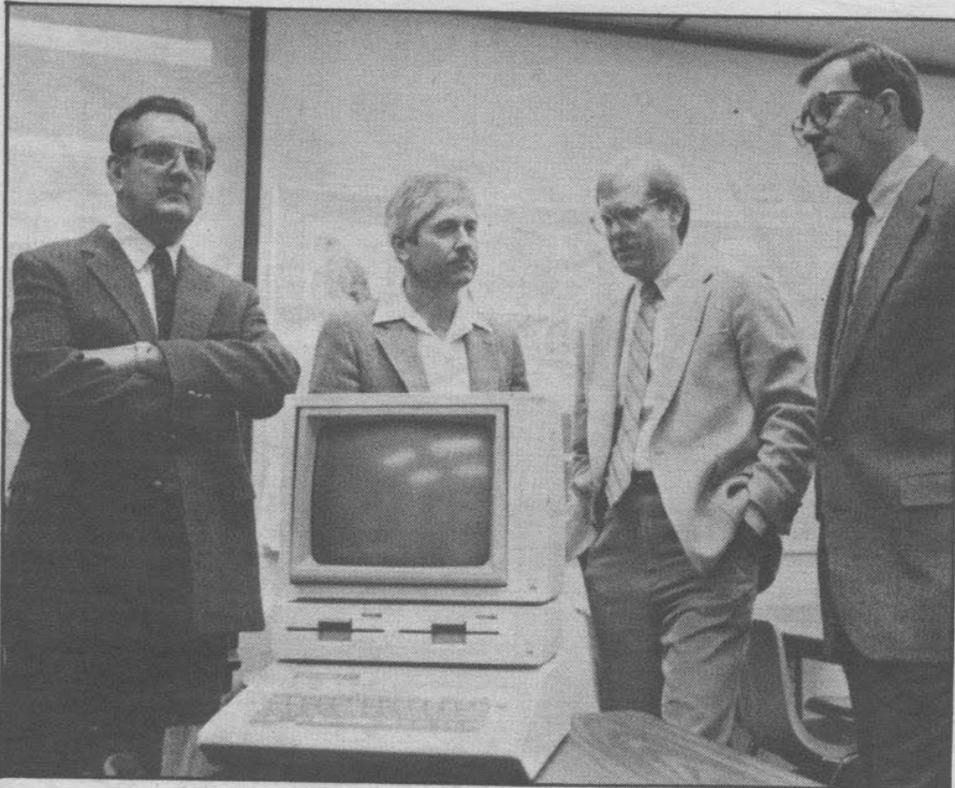
A mother with a young child caught my eye. Dressed in light blue sweats, Reebok tennis shoes and not a blond hair out of place, the mother cuddled her adorable, identically dressed very blond three year old son. Why she would want any more money, when I could plainly see they were very well off, I couldn't figure out.

A middle aged couple who held hands were fairly close to the machine. They must have come from a very elegant affair to purchase a chance of financial security. The gray haired gentleman wore a dark green suit adorned with a variety of stars and gold

medals. His wife looked like a queen. She wore a rhinestone necklace with matching earrings and a beautiful tiara that sparkled brilliantly in Safeway's fluorescent lights. A long, royal purple satin dress with empire sleeves and a high neckline completed her royal attire. The regal couple's eyes reflected a very deep love of each other. As I watched them, I decided they already had a fortune that many people never find.

Mill workers smelling of wood, yuppies with their classic style, professional business people and people I could tell could really use the unbelievable sum of money completed the ever growing human chain.

Reflecting on my notes and reviewing my observations, I too gave into the hunger of wanting my share of the huge pile of money. Joining what I hoped would be a chain of winners, I took my place with the other unique people who shared the love and hunger of money.



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A Computer for Christmas

Mort Hamilton and Larry Plum of the Corvallis Kiwanis Foundation present LBCC administrators Jon Carnahan and Bob Talbott with an Apple IIe for the Learning Disabled Program.

From page one: Pedophiles prey on young children who need emotional support

Ironically, Robson said that the secret then grows even stronger. They don't want anyone to know they're being abused, which leads to even more guilt.

It's only when the child gets into the teens and tries to establish peer relationships that the conflict may become great enough for the girl to drop subtle hints. She may complain that her dad won't let her do things, for example.

Robson explained that it's not usually teachers and counselors that a victim will go to, but friends, relatives, and neighbors.

"We need then to listen to them and be aware of what's going on," he said. "If we don't pick up on that first clue, if we don't start asking that second question, they may not ask another person."

Pedophilia, or sexual abuse outside the home, involves the person whose whole life is devoted to sexual relations with children. According to Robson, pedophiles can be categorized as "chickenhawks" (a self-labelled term), who like boys, and "child molesters," who like girls.

Robson described the pedophile, prevalently male, as someone who develops his lifestyle so that he will be around kids sometime during the day. That means he may be a teacher, counselor, coach, a 4-H leader, or even a priest.

Robson was quick to point out that the majority of people who work with kids are not offenders.

"But," he said, "the difference is that these guys don't quit just putting in that couple hours of volunteer work. They stay there and stay there and stay there—going above and beyond. They're testing and finding vulnerable kids.

For example, he said that while he was investigating a suspected Boy Scout leader, Robson watched after a club

meeting as the offender approached a boy put his arm around him, and asked him how things were going. After a while, the boy became uncomfortable and broke the contact. The individual went up to another boy and did the same thing. This time, the boy was receptive, enjoying the attention. Immediately, the man went over and introduced himself to the boy's parents.

Robson said the pedophile will groom both the parents and the child. He will go out of his way to gain the trust and appreciation of the parents so that if the child does tell, the parents will be less likely to believe.

As he works on the parents, Robson said the pedophile will subtly groom the child. He's always giving the intended victim money or gifts. He will begin by playing catch or having the child help with yardwork. They will see a movie or go out for pizza. Later, he might convince the parents to let him take the child with him on a trip. Meanwhile, he has exposed the victim to child pornography to get him used to such things. It progresses until he's commonly getting sexual gratification from the child.

Robson said that there is no need to worry when a child is in a group situation.

"It's afterwards," he added, "when he starts checking and looking to see whose got a parent that cares, whose got a single parent, or who has a kid that just doesn't seem to be getting the attention and affection at home. They pick them out. They're the ones that they take out for ice cream or pizza afterwards."

Other characteristics of pedophiles, according to Robson, are that they never tire of children, don't socialize much with adults, and are usually avid photographers who keep records and photo albums of all the kids they have abused.

Spirit of giving encouraged

By Erica Gutelius
Commuter Writer

The second annual Christmas Sharing Tree, sponsored by Linn County Greeters, will place a sharing tree in Tadena Hall with names and ages of children from low-income families.

The Registration Office urges those who can afford to give a present to a child to pick a name from the tree. The tree is expected to be available to the public this week. The presents must be back to the registration Office no later than Dec. 16

at noon.

If you choose not to pick a name from the tree, you may buy a present and label it, stating whether it is for a boy or girl, and the appropriate age range. The cost of gifts should be limited to \$10.00 to \$15.00, and may include clothing.

The Registration Office will also have a food barrel for families in need, and invites the public to fill it with any store packaged, non-perishable goods.

For more information call the registration Office at 967-6501 ext. 105.

Pottery students plan sales in Albany, Corvallis

Student potters on the main campus and at the Benton Center will hold their annual sales next week.

The LBCC Pottery Guild will hold its annual holiday pottery sale on Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 6 and 7 from 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Commons.

Work is by first- and second-year students enrolled in pottery classes at the college, and their instructors. Items offered for sale include cups, bowls and

other functional pieces plus decorative art objects.

Pieces offered for sale will range from utilitarian to decorative, says Jay Widmer, ceramics instructor, and many are made by "very experienced potters."

Clay creations by students and instructors at the Benton Center will be sold Saturday, Dec. 10 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 11, from 1 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the pottery studio, adjacent to the Old Cannery Mall parking lot, of the Benton Center.

The victims of pedophilia possess common characteristics as well, he said. They may suddenly change friends, continuously receive gifts or money from an adult, or ask sophisticated sexual questions. If the abuse is just beginning, there may be a behavioral change—grades may drop, they may withdraw or they may become aggressive.

Robson stated that victims of sexual abuse react in a variety of ways. First, a male may turn to criminal activity to act out a macho role. In addition, he may pursue aggressive sexual relations with girls. The relationships are usually smothering, and he may even lead to assault and even rape. Another characteristic is a sudden nose-dive into drug abuse. Robson claimed that 90-95 percent of kids who suddenly plunge deeply into substance abuse come from a physical or sexual abuse background. The victim may also run away. He said that 80 percent of runaway girls and perhaps as many as 45 percent of runaway boys have been sexually abused. When the girl runs away, she has no money and she usually ends up in prostitution or pornography. A final reaction is suicide. Robson said he knew of three confirmed cases and suspects four more in Benton County alone.

He places much of the blame on society, which "has become so permissive in all kinds of things that we as adults are supposed to be able to do—our freedoms to do this, and our freedoms to do that. But it's also going into the sexual exploitation of children."

He also faulted adults for not believing children when they tell of abuse.

"I've worked close to 500 cases of sexual abuse in this county," he said, "and I've yet to have a child lie to me about sexual abuse."

Robson recommended that coordinators of volunteer organizations for kids have access to a person's criminal record to see if the volunteer has ever been arrested or convicted of a sex offense. He said that in one section of Los Angeles, authorities discovered that 80 percent of the volunteers in a Big Brother program at a local YMCA were pedophiles.

Robson also gave suggestions to the audience.

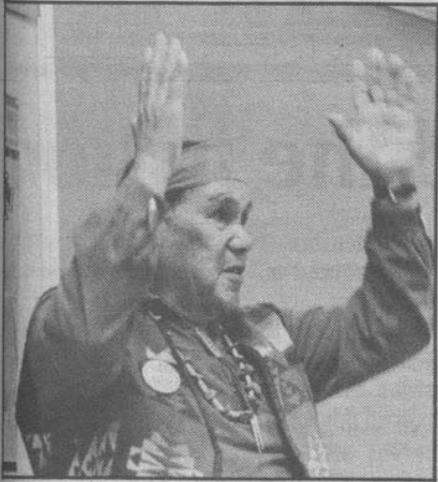
"Be suspicious," he urged. "It's a terrible thing to be. I'm hoping to instill a little paranoia in all of you tonight. That's a sad thing to have to say that you want to do, but I think it's a real thing to look at. I think we keep our heads in the sand."

The most important thing for parents is to listen to their kids and the activities in which they participate. Kids may suddenly divorce themselves from peer activities such as athletics and want to go over and be with 'Mr. Smith' all the time.

"If you remember nothing else, tonight," he stressed, "remember 'attention and affection.' If they get it at home, they won't be susceptible ever to get it elsewhere. Go find out who the heck is dealing with your kids. It's crazy just to dump them off at a baby-sitting situation. Sure, you don't have to be there the whole time, but let those people know that you're interested and are paying attention to your kids."

Robson also told parents that they need to warn their kids of the dangers of sex abuse.

"You don't have to teach them sex education," he said. "All you have to tell them is, 'There are people out there that want to touch you and do things you don't want them to do.'—We have to let them know that there is danger out there."



The Commuter/RANDY WRIGHTHOUSE

Thomas Banyacya, the last of four prophecy carriers for the Hopi People, talks to about 40 LBCC students about the perils facing the natural order of the Earth. Banyacya visited both the LBCC and OSU campuses earlier this month. His visit here was arranged by Mandy Cole, a new anthropology instructor at Linn-Benton. Banyacya said that the human drive to change and manage the environment is threatening the natural balance of the physical and spiritual world.



Hopi spokesman explains life's disruptions

By Diane Young
Commuter Writer

"It is in the Power of the True Hopi People to unify the minds and spirits of all true peace seeking peoples of the earth."

—Excerpt from the "Hopi Declaration of Peace."

Thomas Banyacya, spokesman for the Hopi Nation, asked 40 LBCC students in a speech Nov. 18 to look after the "mother earth" before irreversible damage takes place.

Human beings always like to change things, and thus disrupt the natural development of life, explained Banyacya. It is the misuse of power and technologies that pose a major threat to all life on earth.

People just run after material objects more and more, never thinking of the earth's balance, stated Banyacya. But the earth, animals and nature are crying out, telling us to take notice. Humans must start listening to that cry, for the time has come—the balance of life is now being shattered, explained Banyacya.

"The True Hopi People Know how to fight without killing or hurting. . . The True Hopi People Know how to fight with Truth and Positive Force in The Light Of The Great Spirit. . . The True Hopi People Know how to Educate by clear thoughts, good pictures and by carefully chosen words."

"Everyone of us has some power within us, some more sensitive than others," and

it is the responsibility of all people to use this power to help restore the earth's natural balance, stated Banyacya. When the spirit within People calls for help, other forces will come in some way. And when this happens, "you can see it, you can feel it, you can almost hear something," he said. "Each has that." Banyacya, who was chosen by traditional Hopi elders in the 1940s, has traveled the world relating the prophecies of the Hopi Nation. "When I refer to prophecies—it's a knowledge from our ancestors that has passed from one-generation to the next by work of mouth," he said.

"The True Hopi People preserve the sacred knowledge about the way of the earth, because The True Hopi People know that the earth is a living. . . growing

person. . . and all things on it are her children,"

One of the prophecies involves two brothers, one white and one red, yet both from the same mother, explained Banyacya. The white brother breaks away in search of spiritual growth and inventions for the people. The Great Spirit, knowing that the brothers will split, gives each brother a circle, symbolizing brotherhood and unity. The white brother finally returns, but he brings materialistic values, inventions that pollute and incomprehensible writings.

Today, the Hopi Nation is still waiting for the white brother. "Who is the real white brother who will bring us inventions, writings and help us?" asked Banyacya.

New program makes vocational training more accessible

By Tina Gosser
Commuter Writer

Ten students are making their dreams a reality with the help of some dedicated individuals.

Jan Crabby, vocational tutoring instructor, is one of those people.

LBCC received a federal grant this year that allows students to enroll in vocational classes they would otherwise be unable to take, typically due to poor reading skills. The program makes this possible by providing its students with tutors who act as readers and notetakers for them.

"It's not the activity done in class that they need help with," Crabby explained. "It's the material covered in the texts that gives them trouble. It's hard for them when they can't communicate what they know."

Crabby went on to say the program is

designed to work with students for up to a year, getting them skills they can "go to work with." A group called Work Unlimited located jobs for them to learn on—"kind of like a job coach to get them started."

For the students enrolled, the experience has been unquestionably positive.

Mike Mowder, a refrigeration student, did fine in classes until the instructor turned his head, or the lights went out during films. He admits to having a problem with reading, but having a full-time notetaker in class with him makes it a little easier, being deaf.

When asked what he thought the program has done for him, he said, "class helps me a lot." He explained a big difference in the grades he's receiving and said that the program has helped him become proud of himself.

Jess McNeil is concentrating on classes in the Business Division such as filing and typing. Jess "highly recommends the program," adding that he had never been a great typist, and the class was helping him to develop his skills.

Cindy Henderson, a student concentrating on child development and related skills, takes the program and what it has to offer quite seriously.

"When you go out and look for a job, they're not going to want you if they see you got bad grades in school," she said.

Cindy went through a similar program last year when she attended West Albany High School and thought she may not graduate. She came to Linn-Benton and worked with Crabby, "If she didn't help me, I wouldn't be here in this program today," Henderson stated. "I'd still be at West doing my senior year over again."

Crabby and Paula Grigsby, coor-

dinator of the program, are preparing for a conference in Washington, D.C. with people representing other college and high school programs from all over the United States.

They will promote the idea that there is a great need for programs such as this one, and hoping that the publicity may generate the possibility of further grants.

"This is the first of the three years our grant will be in effect," Crabby stated. "We're hoping they'll see how much it's really needed."

Students have tutoring classes available to them Monday through Thursday, once in the morning and again in the afternoon.

With 10 students enrolled in the class so far, Crabby expects at least six more by Winter term.

Next term a learning strategies class is planned that will be patterned after the study skills class that is already in effect.

NATIONAL COLLEGE NEWS

Rise in enrollment at LBCC and around the nation

By The College Press Service

The final figures are not yet in, but most evidence suggests there are more students going to colleges nationwide this fall than last year.

At LBCC, enrollment for fall was up about 4 percent, reflecting trends nationwide.

"We expect enrollment to be higher this fall," said Elaine El-Khawas of the American Council on Education (ACE) in Washington, D.C.

"Everybody I've spoken to refers to the fact that applications were up," said Bob Aaron of the National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges. "That would lead me to believe that enrollments are up, but my guess is based on anecdotes, not actual enrollment figures."

The anecdotes typically concern jammed classrooms, packed dorms and not enough teachers around to lead courses.

In mid-October, for instance, Stephens College in Missouri announced it had too

many students wanting to take and too few professors able to teach a basic English course next semester, and thus would have to turn away half the students signing up for the class.

No one will really know what nationwide enrollment figures are until at least "December or January," when the U.S. Dept. of Education plans to release its official head count, department analyst Norman Brandt said.

In its annual back-to-school projections last August, the department predicted some 12,560,000 students would enroll this fall, up slightly from last fall's 12,544,000 students.

"That's more people than many countries," explained Anne Grosso of the College Board.

Scores of individual schools already have reported their enrollments have increased—in some cases dramatically—since last fall.

Maryland's 19 community colleges' enrollment grew by 7 percent, but some schools report increases much greater than that. Anne Arundel Community College, for example, has 17 percent more students than last fall, while Montgomery College's Germantown campus reported a 20 percent increase.

"Families are sort of cutting a deal" with their kids, James D. Tschechtelin, director of Maryland's State Board for Community Colleges, explained. "They're saying to young people 'Why don't you go for a (relatively inexpensive) community college for two years, and then you pick it.'"

Colleges in Utah, too, are reporting massive enrollment increases. Utah Valley Community College reports a 32 percent enrollment increase, while Salt Lake Community College has 66 percent more students than last fall. Utah State has 27

percent more students, while Snow College counted a 75 percent enrollment increase.

Southeast Louisiana, Arizona State, Northern Kentucky, and Indiana universities, among many others, have reported record high enrollments.

Not all schools, of course, have increases. The numbers of students enrolled at Harvard and the universities of Illinois and Tennessee, for example, are down. Enrollments also are down at Louisiana State, Cal Baptist College and Christopher Newport College in Virginia.

Students seem to be the ones who suffer most when the population rises.

"There's no question I'm not as effective as I could be," said University of Texas biology teaching assistant Mike Scioli of the huge sizes of his class section. "I can't tell if student understands what I'm presenting, because they're afraid to ask questions in such a large class."

Freshmen at Penn have had problems getting into classes that were already overcrowded before they were allowed to register for them.

Campuses are getting overcrowded, moreover, just at the time when most demographers predicted college enrollment nationwide would drop precipitously.

The reason, they said, was that there are fewer 18-year-olds—the people who, of course, traditionally staff freshman classes—around.

The U.S. Education Dept., in its "Back to School Forecast," attributed enrollment's failure to crash to "a small increase in the attendance rate of the traditional college-age group (18-to-24-year-olds) and somewhat larger increases in the attendance of women, older students and those attending on a part-time basis."



Earth moves, makes seismic waves for LSU football fans

By College Press Service

When Louisiana State University's Eddie Fuller pulled in the touchdown pass in the final two minutes of the game that led to LSU's 7-6 Oct. 8th victory over Auburn, the fans went wild and the earth moved.

Literally.

Tiger fans' cheers for the Fuller's touchdown were so

powerful they registered on the LSU Geology Department's seismograph, which is used to measure earthquakes.

"Obviously the audience was excited," said geologist Dr. Vindell Hsu. "They must have jumped up and down in the stand and caused the ground to vibrate."

Hsu said the seismograph picks up vibrations from all over the world, including earthquakes, but that

sometimes it registers heavy footsteps in the adjacent geology offices as well as rumbling from trucks and buses that pass outside. But those vibrations come from extremely close sources, not halfway across campus.

Hsu cannot determine how the fans' rumblings measure on the Richter scale, however, because cheering produces a different kind of seismic wave than an earthquake.

LSD users at Duke University receive good grades

By The College Press Service

A majority of the Duke University students who have taken LSD get very good grades, a preliminary report of student drug use revealed.

Fifty-four percent of the students who have used LSD have 3.5 or higher grade point averages.

"Duke students," Robert Gringle of the Student Health Center, which conducted the study of some 400 students' drug and alcohol habits, told the Duke

Chronicle, "seem to be able to juggle use with the ability to keep up their grades."

But in a subsequent interview with College Press Service, Gringle maintained he regretted the "slant" the student paper allegedly put on his remarks, cautioning the study's results were preliminary and the drugs probably do not help students improve their grades.

"There's nothing like that that we could conceivably say," Gringle maintained. "There's nothing we could say about that connection or lack of connection (between drugs and grades)."

A July, 1988, University of California-Los Angeles study found that drug users of all ages are more prone to drop out of school than their more sober colleagues.

"Drug abusers leave school earlier, start jobs earlier and form families earlier," UCLA Prof. Michael Newcomb concluded in the study, which was funded by the National Institute on Drug Abuse in Maryland.

Various observers have been predicting a campus comeback for LSD—chemically, lysergic acid diethylamide—which was an enormously popular hallucinogen in

the late sixties and largely animated the so-called "psychedelic era."

In 1987, for example, Colorado police agencies reported their arrests of students for LSD use had increased, while in Charlottesville, Va., police arrested William O'Brien, a University of Virginia chem major, for allegedly running a campus LSD lab.

But an annual University of Michigan study of drug use among high school seniors has tracked an ongoing decline in the number of students who said they had tried LSD.

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Bookstore Closes Friday

The LBCC Bookstore will close at 10:30 a.m. Friday Dec. 2 to restock the shelves for winter term. The store will reopen Monday Dec. 5 at 8:30 a.m.

Business Sampler Planned

The Saturday Sampler, a holiday gift to the community of 30 free classes for the Business Division, is Saturday, Dec. 3, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., in the Business (B) and Forum (F) buildings on LBCC's main Albany campus, 6500 SW Pacific Blvd.

LBCC teachers and students are giving a gift of their time to make these classes available to the public. One \$50 LBCC tuition scholarship also will be awarded as a door prize.

Pre-registration is not required. For more information, call 967-6505.

Managing Change

"Managing Change," the final seminar in the "Lunch and Learn" series, will meet Wednesday, Dec. 7 from noon until 1:30 p.m., at Burton's Oak

Tree Restaurant, 2133 Santiam Highway SE, Albany. Presenter is Marge Dathe Cieri, president of Mardac Consultants, Eugene. Cost, including lunch, is \$9.

For more information, call the Training and Economic Development Center at LBCC, 967-6112.

Photo Class Explores Parlours

A new photography class, "Field Photography: Victorian Parlours," is offered through Linn-Benton Community College's Albany Center this December. The class is taught by Shelley Curtis and meets on two days at the Albany Senior Center, 489 Water St. NW, Albany.

The class is designed to teach skills and technical principles for appreciating and practicing field photography, emphasizing practical approaches and the use of inexpensive tools and materials. The cost is \$5.50 plus a lab fee payable in class of \$6 general or \$4 for senior citizens.

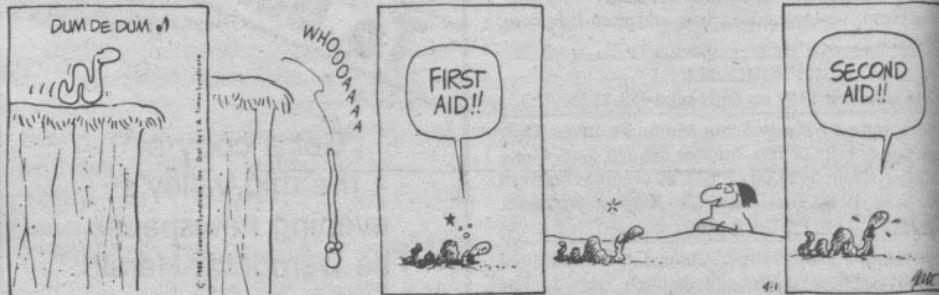
Open Auditions Set

Open auditions for LBCC's winter mainstage production of C.S. Lewis' "The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe" will be held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 29, 30 and Dec. 1 from 4-6 p.m. on the Mainstage in Takena Hall on LBCC's main Albany campus, 6500 Pacific Blvd.

The cast includes six human characters and mythical characters played by actors and actresses age 12 and older. Roles include The Professor (a kindly, elderly gentleman), four children (two boys and two girls), Mr. Tumnus (a faun), The White Witch, Father Christmas and Alan (The lion, King of Narnia) plus centaurs, unicorns, wolves, giants and animals of the forest.

Performance dates are Feb. 3, 4, 10 and 11 at 7 p.m. and Feb. 5 and 12 at 3 p.m. In addition, several matinees will be held for local grade schools, dates and times to be arranged. Scripts are available in AHSS Room 108. For more information call 928-2361, ext. 928-0931.

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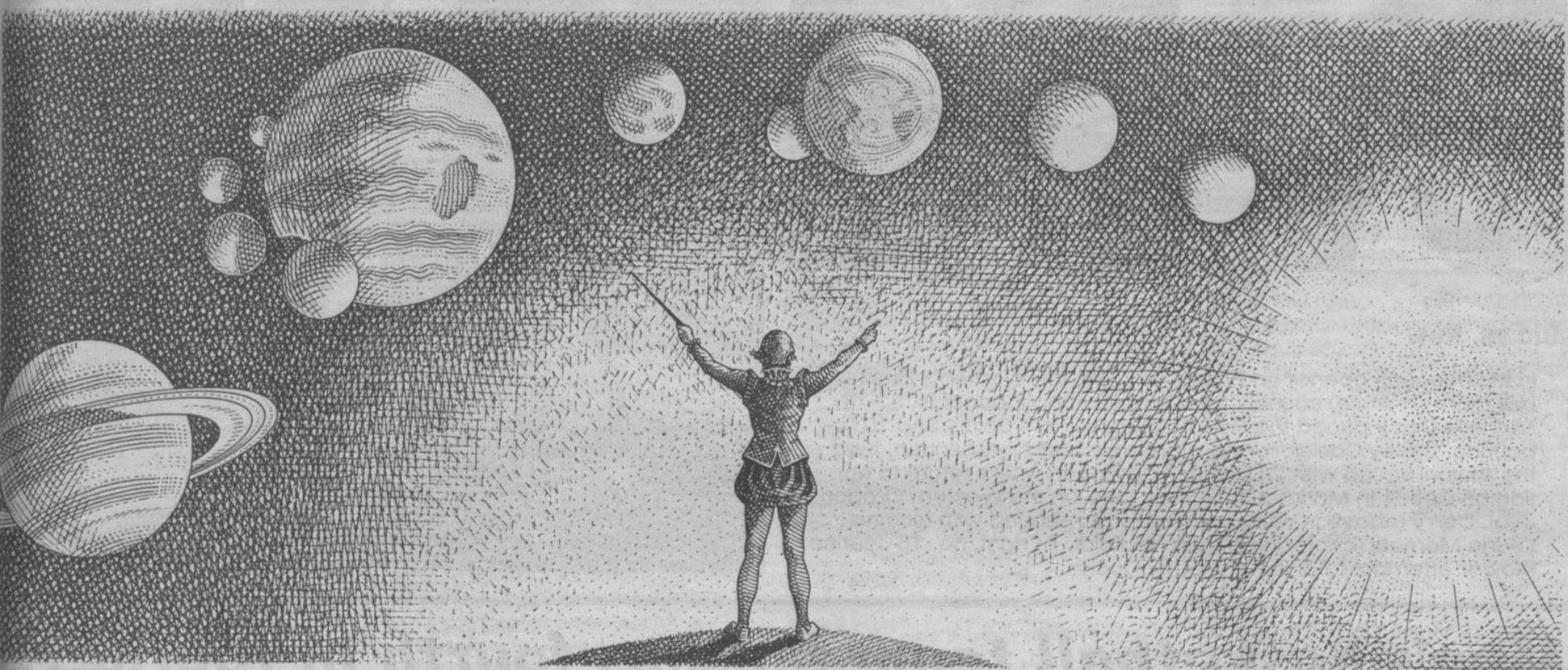
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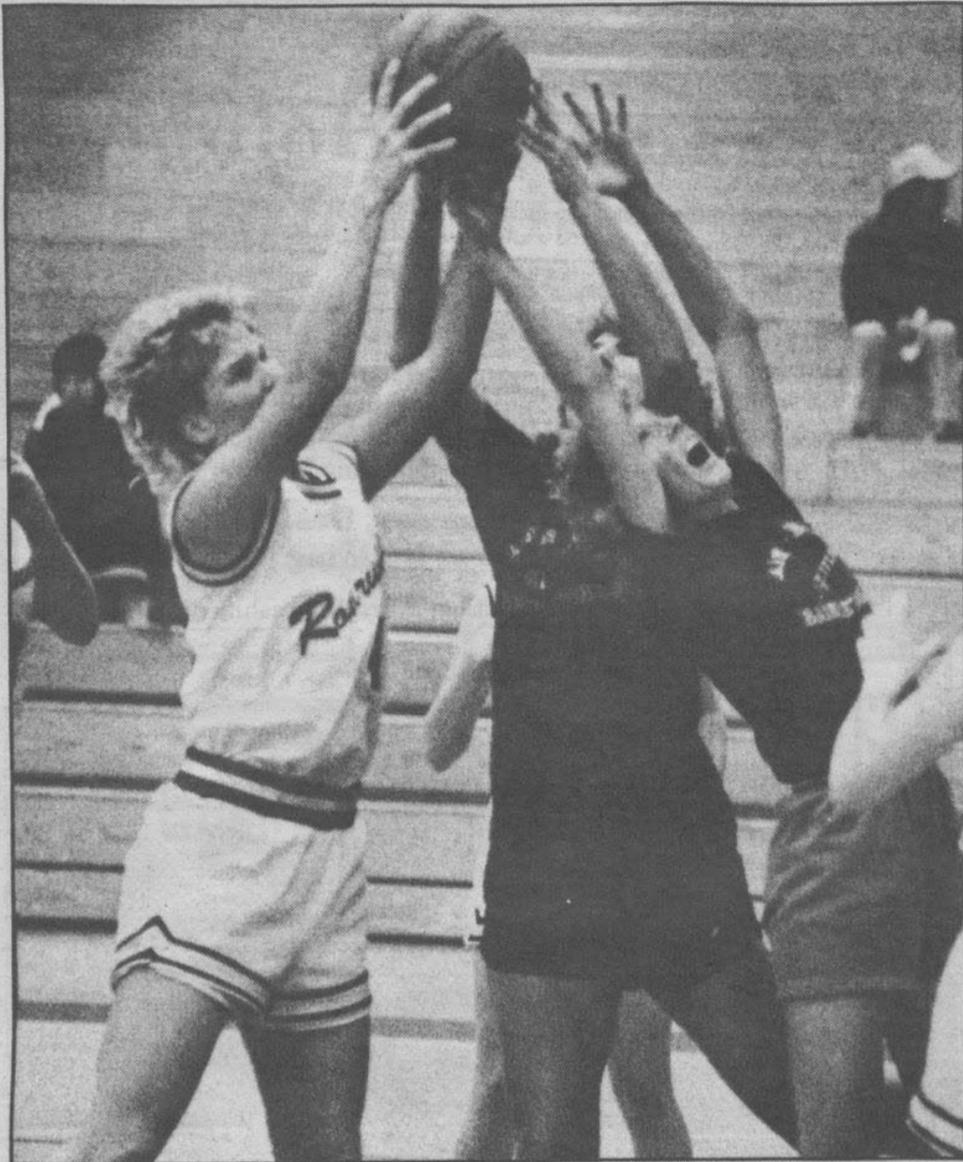
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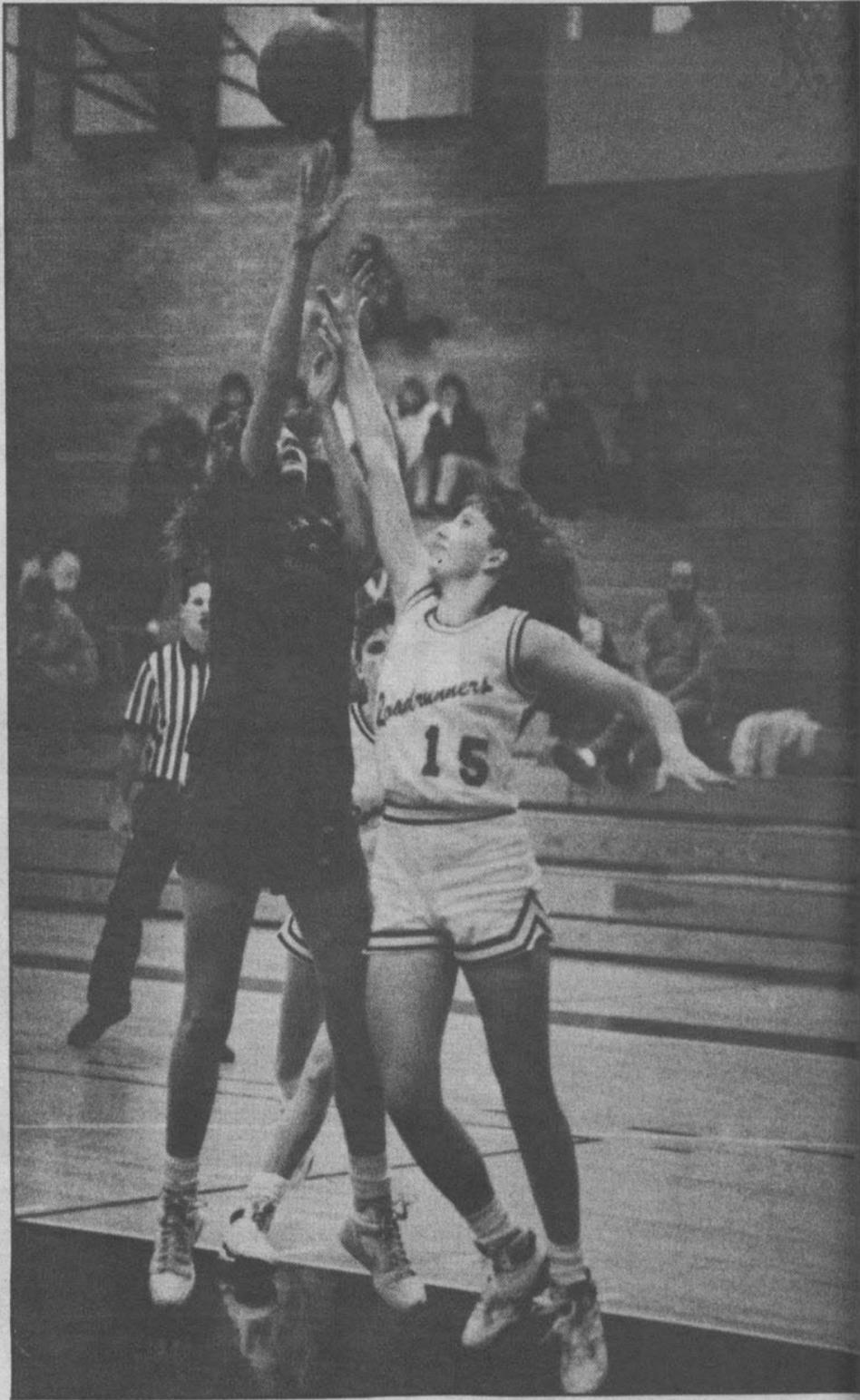
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Old vs. New

In their season opener on Friday Nov. 25, the Women's Basketball team (in white) soundly beat their Alumni opponents, 83-76. Michelle Derry paced the Roadrunners with 24 points and 10 rebounds. Casey Cosler, former LB player and All-American, lead the Alumni squad with 20 points. The Roadrunners return to action on Dec. 1 in Monmouth as they take on the Western Oregon JV's. Derry (above in white) battles for a rebound with alumnis Laurie Morrical (center) and Ruth Neufeldt. At right, no. 15 Jeanna Klower attempts to block a shot by Cosler.

Men's basketball team finishes fourth in tourney

By Jess Reed
Sports Editor

The LBCC men's basketball team came in fourth in an eight-team round-robin tournament last weekend in Washington. Friday night LBCC lost to Spokane CC 72-80, but Saturday the Roadrunners bounded back, beating Shoreline CC of

Seattle 91-80, and Everett CC 91-85 to clinch fourth place.

"We didn't play extremely well," said Head Coach Allen Wellman. But the second-year coach felt that Shoreline and Everett provided adequate competition, and that it was nice to get the wins.

Several LB players played well at times.

Sophomore forward Chris Doscher averaged 19 points and 11 rebounds a game and was named to the tournament's all-star team. Also playing well was 5-10 sophomore guard Garmail Goins, who averaged 16.5 points and three assists a game.

Clackamas CC, from Oregon City, won

the tournament by defeating the host team, Lower Columbia of Longview, Wash., 79-67 last Sunday night. Clark CC of Vancouver came in third.

Following the season opening tournament, the Roadrunners have a 2-1 records, with another tournament coming up at LBCC this weekend.

Roadrunners to host four-team tourney in home opener

By Jess Reed
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LBCC's men's basketball team will host three competitive teams in a tournament taking place on the second and third of December.

The tournament, which will be played on the LBCC campus, will start on Friday the second at 6 p.m. with

Lower Columbia CC out of Longview, Wash., playing Northwest Christian from Eugene. LBCC will then take-on the Western Baptist JV team from Salem at 8 p.m.

The losers of Friday's games will play each other for third place at 6 p.m. on Saturday. Then the winners of Friday's games will battle for first place at 8 p.m.

According to LB basketball coach Allen Wellman all

four teams are nearly equal in power with no clear favorite, all four games should be competitive. This marks the home opener for the Roadrunners and we are hoping for a good crowd to cheer us on, Wellman said.

Students with an LBCC identification card and children under 6 can attend for free. Senior citizens and children ages 7-12 will require \$1. Adults will cost \$3 and all other students will cost \$2.