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LB digs out after storm forces longest closing ever

By Arik Hesseldahl
Commuter Writer

A blanket of snow and ice that dusted the state with up to a foot of snow last Wednesday and Thursday forced the longest campus closure in LBCC's history. Classes from 3 p.m. Wednesday through Friday were cancelled due to weather and unsafe driving conditions. LB students joined their counterparts from OSU, WOSC and all area school districts in two days of involuntary vacation that was welcomed by many as an opportunity to study for upcoming mid-terms.

But life returned to normal Monday morning as classes resumed, and an army of roughly 14 campus groundskeepers and maintenance workers mobilized to shovel snow and sand down sidewalks in preparation for the return of students.

The decision to resume classes Monday left some students complaining because of questionable driving conditions on Highway 34 and Looney Lane, as well as other area roadways, and because of continued closures of the Corvallis, Albany and Philomath school districts.

Decisions to close the campus are made following consultations with area public school superintendents, according to LBCC Vice-President Jon Carnahan. The majority of LBCC students are older and have children who attend schools in surrounding communities, and there was concern over children being left alone during the day as parents attend classes, he said. Road conditions, reported by area bus companies, also were a determining factor, said Carnahan.

Carnahan also commented that there are no plans to make up the two lost days of class time, but added that if there are further closures later this week, "We'll have to have some discussion on making them up."

In addition to classes, several other events slated for last weekend were



Grounds crewmen Steve Henshaw (foreground) and Mike Hedrick spread gravel on snow-covered sidewalks near the Activities Center to prepare for reopening the campus.

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cancelled or postponed because of continued bad weather.

One major cancellation was the opening student production "The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe", originally scheduled for Friday, Feb. 3. Tickets for the Feb. 3, 4, and 5 shows will be honored on Feb. 17, 18 and 19, or may be refunded at the Takena Hall ticket window, according to Doris Branson of the Arts and Humanities Dept.

The National League for Nursing, Pre-Nursing and Guidance exam, originally

set for Feb. 4 has been rescheduled for Feb. 11 in the math Lab (LRC-205) according to Jeanette Banta of the Student Assessment office. The other two dates for the exam, March 4 and April 1 are full, but there is a possibility of an alternate date for those unable to attend, Banta said. Students affected by the change should call the Student Assessment office at 928-2361, ext. 227.

As for the rest of the week, don't bet on further closures. The weather is expected to remain clear, sunny and cold through

the end of the week. However, as of Monday evening, the extended forecast did not rule out the possibility of more snow by the week's end.

Closure information is available through several area radio stations. Among those informed of LBCC's status are: KFLY/KEJO (1240/101.5 FM) and KOAC (550 AM) in the Corvallis, Albany, Lebanon and Philomath areas. In Salem, KSLM and in Eugene KUGN will carry closure information as well.

Local bank stops making student loans

By Elwin Price
Editor

Far West Federal Bank has announced that, effective Feb 1, it is no longer making new Guaranteed Student Loans (GSL).

"Students who already have a loan with us will be able to get their remaining disbursements," said Judy Wang, a spokesperson for Far West Federal. For example, a person who processed a fall, winter and spring loan will still be able to get the spring loan.

Lynn Caberra, an Oregon State Scholarship Commission (OSSC) spokesperson, said that the commission was "surprised" that Oregon's third largest lender of student loans has withdrawn from the program. She stressed that many other banks are still participating in the student loan program and that students should have no problem finding another bank.

"It doesn't appear that any other banks are going to pull out of the GSL program," she stated.

Few LBCC students will be affected by this change, according to Lance Popoff, director of financial aid, because he estimates that "less than 5 percent of the LB loans are from Far West Federal."

Although the affected students can get future loans from other banks, problems may arise when students begin to repay the loans. If a student has borrowed from more than one bank, he may not be able to consolidate the loans, forcing him to make more than one loan payment per month. "This could make it difficult on a recently graduated student, especially on who has not found a job yet," Popoff said.

The financial aid office is currently trying to assess who has applied to Far West for a new loan in order to notify them that they need to apply to a different bank, Popoff said.

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Arctic-like weather not exactly fun and games

When the snow started falling last Wednesday, I was secretly hoping it would turn into a blizzard that would close school and give me a few more days off to rest and relax. I got my wish, but this arctic blast hasn't been all fun and games.

The fun started Thursday morning. I live in an old house so I knew that the water pipes might freeze. I left all of my faucets dripping and patted myself on the back for having such incredible foresight. Confident that things would be okay, I left for the day. Returning home in the evening, the first thing I noticed was an icicle hanging from the kitchen sink faucet. Fearing the worst, I scrambled into the bathroom to survey the damage. Not only did all of my water pipes freeze, but the drain pipes froze too. Heck, the only thing that still worked was the toilet. I figured that I could rough it for a few days as long as the pipes didn't break. Things couldn't get much worse.

Friday morning as I got into my truck, I noticed a ripple in my front fender. Somebody biffed me in the middle of the night. So much for a straight body.

It seems that they don't make cable chains like they used to because I went through two sets of them in four days. One by one they just fell apart. Maybe it's the way I drive.

I believe that trouble comes in threes, so I figured that I was in the clear. But Saturday morning the kitchen pipes broke.

This weekend was more hassles and headaches than fun and excitement, but I can bear it because I know that I am not the only one who had problems.

For example, a water pipe to a well water storage tank broke at my friend Bill's house. It dumped 1,200 gallons of water down his driveway, turning it into a skating rink.

Adding to that misery, he accidentally left his cat out that night. The cat got cold and sought some warmth. Since the dryer was running at the time, the cat curled up under the vent to absorb the heat. After the dryer shut off, Bill was drawn outside by the loud wailing of a cat. Bill found his cat frozen to the porch by the moisture deposited from the dryer vent. Bill had to use a hairdryer to free to poor creature.

So cheer up—it can't get any worse than this!

Elwin Price
Editor

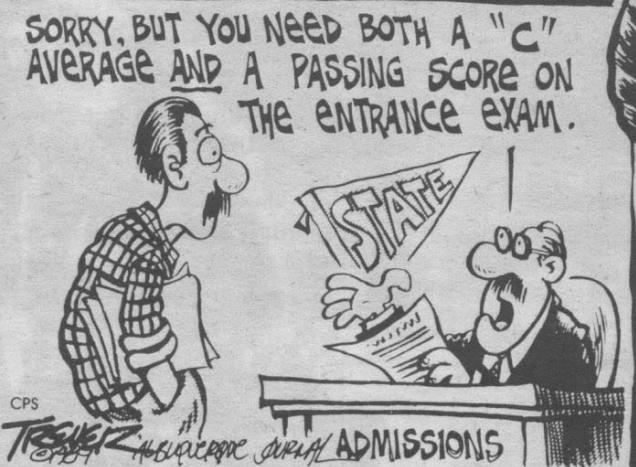
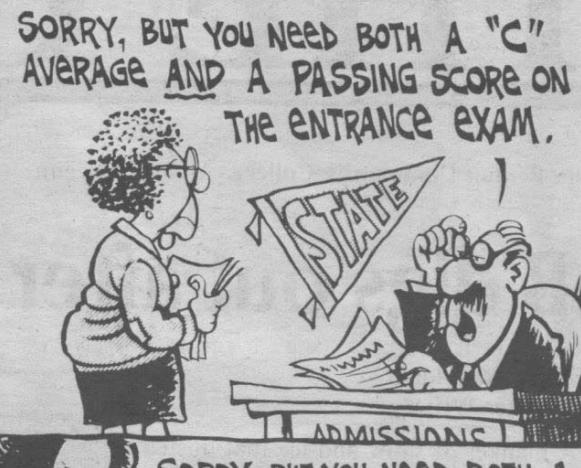
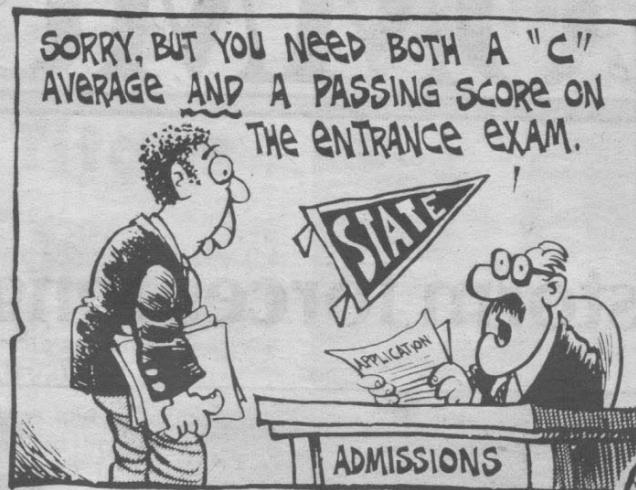
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letters

Liz says owls not endangered

Letter to The Editor:

We are continuing to try and get more public timber released for harvest. Last week I personally met with several members of The Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission. I am of the opinion that they circumvented the 1987 Oregon Law regarding "endangered species" on November 18, when the commission agreed to re-list the Northern Spotted Owl as "threatened."

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is opening a status review on the northern spotted owl. In 1987, that agency found that the owl was not an endangered species.

Due to protests by "environmentalists" a federal judge has ordered a re-analysis of the status of this owl.

Numerous people have told me of finding spotted owl in second growth timber as well as finding more than were previously known to exist in old growth. If what I am told is true, it does not appear that the spotted owl is endangered due to harvest, disease, predation or other natural or man-made factors.

Those of you who know of owl populations need to write letters giving the specifics and your concerns to those in government who are the decision makers.

Write to Mr. Don Hodel, Secretary of The Interior, and to Mr. Frank Dunkle, Director, U.S.

Fish and Wildlife Dept., 18th and C. St. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20240. It would be wise to also send a letter to Senators Hatfield and Packwood, and to Governor Goldschmidt.

Those of you whose livelihoods are being endangered should also correspond with the above officials.

I realize there are some other factors beside the owl which may be partially responsible for the mill shut downs and layoffs, but this bird seems to be a major player.

Liz VanLeeuwen
State Representative

Unbused tables raise concern

Letter To the Editor

I would like to comment concerning the Commons and the Camas room. I've been a student here for over 4 years and I'm still appalled to learn that some students believe people "get paid to clear the tables" in these rooms. These tables are provided to eat at and it is expected to be a self-service situation. I have yet to get paid to clear off the dirty dishes left behind and I have never seen any bus boys/girls either. Please be considerate of those that eat here after you. Leave the tables clean for others to use. Bus your own. Your mother doesn't work here.

Barb Hanson
2nd Yr. Nursing Student

Express Yourself

The Commuter encourages readers to use the Editorial Page to express their opinions. Commentaries and observations on campus, community, regional and national issues are welcome.

Submissions may be in the form of letters to the editor or, for topics which require deeper analysis, guest columns. All letters received will be published, space permitting, unless they are considered by the editor to be potentially libelous, obscene or in poor taste. Guest columns should be approved in advance by the editor. Readers wishing to submit a guest column are asked to first discuss their idea with the editor.

All submissions must be signed, with phone number and address. Please limit letters to 250 words. Editors reserve the right to edit for length, grammar and spelling.

Etcetera Column

The Commuter invites staff and students to submit announcements of upcoming events and activities to its Etcetera column, which appears weekly on Page 7.

Submissions should be no more than 100 words in length to permit publication of as many notices as possible in the space available. Final deadline for submissions to the Etcetera column is noon on the Monday prior to publication.

Submit written notices to: Etcetera, c/o the Editor, The Commuter, CC-210.

Freezing weather prompts advice from fire department

By Randy Wriighthouse
Commuter Photo Editor

With temperatures in the Mid-Willamette Valley remaining at or below freezing, area firefighters are keeping busy battling fires related to the cold weather.

According to Chief Darrel Tedisch of the Albany Fire Department, temperatures drop as home fires increase. As woodstoves, fireplaces and other heating devices are stoked hotter and longer, the chances of igniting materials near the heat source increase, Tedisch said.

Sharie Chase of the Albany Fire Department offers the following tips for safe home heating:

- Keep your chimney clean and use a fire screen with your fireplace.
- Space heaters must be well shielded and well ventilated. Keep them out of traffic paths and away from furniture and curtains.

- Keep matches and lighters safely stored and away from small children.

- Install and properly maintain smoke detectors throughout the house and test periodically

- Chimneys should be cleaned at least once a year and checked monthly for build up of soot and creosote.

Flue fires make up a large percent of the calls the fire department receives, Chase said.

The Albany Fire Department has a loaner program on chimney brushes for anyone interested in cleaning their own chimney, she said.

Anyone interested in borrowing the chimney brushes from the fire department needs to know the inside dimension of the chimney they will be cleaning and the approximate length. Bring that information to the fire station at 110 S.E. 6th St. in Albany anytime and the department will sign out the correct brush for you to use. There is no charge for using the chimney brushes, Chase said.



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A new-born lamb naps on top of his mom in the OSU Sheep Barns during the annual open house. Several thousand visitors, including the children from LBCC's child care center, are expected to visit the barns during lambing season.

Cold weather brings fewer visitors to see new lambs

By Kami Horton
Commuter Writer

With lambing season underway, OSU has opened its barns to visitors willing to brave the freezing temperatures.

"Over 1,000 visitors a week is the average," said head shepherd Robert Klinger, "but current weather conditions has dropped the number to around 100." Klinger and his students continue to work around the clock, however, to ensure the newborns' survival rate.

The 600 head of ewes are expected to bear nearly 1,000 lambs during the two months the barns are open said Klinger. The large number of lambs being born makes it busier than usual and OSU work-study students are called in to help. "When they're here at 3 a.m. it's not for the fun of it," he said.

Students from sheep production class make regular visits to the barn but according to Klinger "They're not much help." When the students are learning about delivery they tend to get in the way, he said.

The barns are old and enough space isn't available for the number of lambs, said Klinger, causing some lambs to be put out to pasture. "When the mothers only have snow for food, the babies don't get enough to eat," he added.

Klinger and his students put in extra hours hauling hay and fresh water to en-

sure all the ewes have enough to eat. But sometimes there are more babies than milk he said. The extra babies, called "bummers", are sold to the public. People wanting to "adopt" are put on a waiting list until the babies are born. Klinger said most people find that lambs are less trouble than a horse or a cow and make good pets.

The OSU barns are open 24 hours a day now through mid-March. Opening the barns to the public is a traditional event that has been going on "forever," said Klinger. "I've been here 15 years and people have been coming since before I got here."

Many schools make trips to the barns and some people make regular visits to check up on events. Third grader Sara Jackson said she had been to the barn "lots of times" with her school and seemed concerned about a lamb in bandages. "Maybe they're doing experiments on him," her eight year old companion said.

LBCC's child care center will be among those visiting the barns. Teachers Jan Wright and Louise Johnson will be taking about 30 children over Feb. 28.

Visitors are welcome 24-hours a day but are required to read the posted list of rules, said Klinger. "Most people are no problem," he said. He stated the barns are open to "serve the people" and help them raise their own lambs.

Deadline looms for hopeful grads

Students planning to graduate at the end of spring term are advised by the Admissions Office to request a credit evaluation by Feb. 10.

The credit evaluation verifies that students have completed all courses required by their majors. It is returned to students in time for them to make any necessary adjustments when registering for winter.

Students who do not want a credit evaluation have until April 7 to apply for graduation. Those failing to apply by this date will not have their names published in the graduation program and local newspapers, although they will be eligible to participate in commencement.

Information on graduation applications is available from the Admissions Office in Takena Hall.

Student pleads not guilty to charges

By Matt Rasmussen
Assistant Editor

An LBCC student has pleaded not guilty to five felony indictments stemming from alleged attacks on a former college employee.

Charles Everett Hamilton was indicted last Wednesday by a Linn County Grand Jury on a charge of attempted murder, two counts of first-degree rape and one count each of first-degree burglary and first-degree sodomy.

Hamilton, a student in the medical receptionist program at LBCC, entered the pleas last Thursday before Linn County Circuit Judge James C. Goode, who in-

creased Hamilton's bail from \$50,000 to \$75,000. Hamilton remains in the Linn County Jail awaiting a pre-trial conference on Thursday.

The indictments accuse Hamilton of sexual attacks on the woman between last October and Jan. 9 of this year. Albany police arrested Hamilton on Jan. 13 and jailed him on suspicion of multiple counts of rape, sodomy and kidnap.

The district attorney's office originally filed 11 felony charges against Hamilton, but these and two previous grand jury indictments were replaced by the five felony indictments, according to Larry Houchin, deputy Linn County District Attorney.

Events set to celebrate community college month

Plays, seminars and a speech by Gov. Neil Goldschmidt are all part of LBCC's celebration of National Community College Month in February.

More than 30 events, culminating in Women's History Week (March 1-10), have been planned around the theme "Community Colleges: Where America Goes to College."

According to figures released by the American Association of Community and

Junior Colleges, more than five million students were enrolled in at least one credit class at community colleges in 1988. This figure represents 41 percent of all undergraduate students and 55 percent of all first-time freshmen in the United States, the AACJC.

Linn-Benton's enrollment for the current year is estimated at more than 24,000 students (taking at least one class). This is a projected increase of 1,000 students from the previous year, according to Sue

Cripe, LBCC's registrar.

Among LBCC's nationally recognized programs are its nursing degree program, which was named Oregon's Outstanding Post-secondary Vocational Preparatory Program in 1988, and its parent education programs throughout the United States.

The college's newly constructed Family Resource Center, housing 48 preschoolers—ages 2 1/2 to 5—and their staff, is scheduled for dedication in late February or early March. Gov.

Goldschmidt will deliver the dedication speech.

Other events include three theater productions, "The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe," Feb. 10, 11, 7, and 18 at 7 p.m. and Feb. 5 and 12 at 3 p.m.; a dinner theater production of Neil Simon's "I Ought to Be in Pictures," Feb. 23 at 6 p.m.; and "Room Service" Feb. 24, 25 and March 3, 4 at 8 p.m. and Feb. 26 and March 5 at 3 p.m.; a high school Career Fair, Feb. 16.



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Hot Work on a Cold Day

Albany firefighters were called out to a house fire at 528 SE 27th St. in South Albany Monday. The house was gutted and a pet dog died in the blaze, although all the residents, which included three small children, escaped unharmed.

LB Security offers more than parking patrol

By Theresa M. Hess
for the Commuter

After a long hard day at school, you head for your car. You notice something under your car's windshield wipers, gaily flapping in the breeze, What's this? An advertisement?

No, it's a parking ticket.

Unfortunately, the only contact many students at Linn-Benton Community College have with their Justice Services Office, commonly known as campus security, is when they receive a parking violation.

But Justice Services offer the LBCC population a variety of services beyond their parking patrol duties—services that may save your life or the life of someone you love.

For example, a student or staff member who fears that someone is harrasing him or her can obtain assistance from Justice Services, said LBCC security officer Louise Stearn.

A security officer will escort the student or staff member to and from their car, Stearn said.

If the alleged harasser comes to campus, disrupting normal classroom routine or threatening a student or staff personnel, the individual will be asked to leave campus, Stearn said.

In most cases, the individual will leave as asked by an officer, she said.

If, however, the individual will not

leave, campus security may call the police and the suspect may be forcibly removed on charges of trespassing, Stearn said.

The Justice Sevice Office also provides students with a personal emergency locator service. In the event of an emergency, the office can find the student with the aid of a parking permit sticker.

The sticker, which the student applies to his or her car has a personal identification number.

With the permit ID number, the security staff can trace an individual's whereabouts if they receive word that an emergency situation has arisen, such as a sick or injured child or a student's car has been damaged and requires immediate attention.

Stearn stresses that there is no charge for the parking permit and that having one may save someone a lot of heartache.

A potential life-saving contribution to the LBCC population is that all justice services personnel are required to learn first aid and CPR. They are equipped with two-way radios so paramedics can be summoned immediately.

The Justice Sevice Office also works with various police departments on investigations, including the recent LBCC Foundation embezzlement case and alleged rape and assault case. In addition, personnel patrol the grounds for signs of trouble spots, investigate on-campus theft and burglary cases and file reports with

the Albany Police Department.

The office also has jumper cables available to students and administers a lost and found service.

In addition, the office provides work experience for students in LBCC's Criminal Justice program.

Robin Stuart, who works at the office, is a criminal justice major who plans to be a juvenile probation officer.

Stuart says she became interested in working with juveniles because she had a lot of experience with the system herself.

"I was a juvenile delinquent myself. There were two people who helped me. I hope to pay back that debt. They didn't give up on me, they gave me a second chance."

Stuart praises the experience she's gained at the office because it has brought her in "contact with all kinds of people. It's a good place to start in public service."

Learning to deal with stressful situations on a daily basis and the responsibilities to co-workers, students and the college is one of the benefits of working there, Stuart said.

The office employs three full-time security officers, three on-call officers, and a full-time secretary.

In addition, the office provides employment for six cooperative work experience and work-study students.

The Justice Service Office is located in the College Center Building in Room 123.

Park recruiters come to LB for workers

By Dan Abernathy
Commuter Writer

National Park representatives will be on campus this month to interview students interested in summer jobs.

According to the Student Employment Center, recruiting representatives from Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk, California; Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming; Crater Lake National Park; and Oregon Caves will be on campus conducting interviews in the next few weeks.

A Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk recruiter is on campus today and a Yellowstone representative will be on campus for 18 interviews Thursday. Yellowstone will also have a table in the Commons for general information.

"Yellowstone usually hires about 2,000 students for the summer," said Angie Aschoff, adding that they hire from campuses around the country.

Crater Lake and Oregon Caves representatives are going to be on campus Feb. 24 for interviews and will also have a table in the Commons to answer any questions students might have.

"They are being more aggressive in their recruitment," Aschoff said of the parks system. This is the first time the parks have sent representatives to LBCC in three or four years.

Several more jobs are open at Mount Rushmore National Memorial in South Dakota; Camp Meadow Springs in Pendleton; Prebyterian Outdoor Ministry in Washington; and the Maine Youth Camping Association. In addition, the National Park Concessions, Inc., is seeking workers in the following parks: Mammoth Cave in Kentucky; Big Bend in Texas; Isle Royale in Michigan; Olympia in Washington; and Blue Ridge in Virginia and North Carolina.

There are 15 departments at Yellowstone with job openings. The lowest paid position is bell portering, which makes \$2.01 per hour plus tips. The highest paid is a night auditor in the Accounting Department, at \$5.30 per hour. Employees in any position that requires driving company vehicles must be at least 19. Employees hired to operate truck, buses or heavy equipment must be at least 21.

Other jobs are available around the country in hotels and resorts. Information is available at the Student Employment Center in Takena Hall.

In addition, the Corvallis and Albany parks and recreation departments will list summer jobs with the campus employment center in early May.

Homeless find shelter, love at Fish Guest House

By Beth Young
Commuter Writer

To any passing driver, the scene on 3rd Avenue in South Corvallis is idyllic: a tousle-haired two-year-old is putting the finishing touches on a snowman while a grandfatherly figure commemorates the moment with the video camera. Smoke from the chimney of the nearby farmhouse adds a wintery fragrance to the air. The boy laughs and runs about, happy to be out on such a day.

But all is not idyllic for this boy or any other guests at this home. This is the Fish Guest House, Corvallis' emergency shelter for homeless families, single parents, and women (single men may stay at the Sunflower House in Corvallis).

According to Nuleen Gibson, who manages the Guest House with her husband, Leonard, the people who come to the house have nowhere else to go. They have been living in their cars, have worn out their welcome with friends or relatives, or have just come to town. They are out of money, and often are hungry.

The Gibsons do not see the shelter as simply a place to stay, but as a place to rest, to heal, and to change one's life. Said Leonard: "we give our guests 48 hours to rest, and then we get together and come up with a plan."

Love and caring is evident in this home, which can house up to two families and five single women. Guests call Leonard and Nuleen, both 56, "Mom" and "Dad". To the kids, they're "Grandpa" and "Grandma".

"We run this shelter like a family. We do not judge them," said Nuleen. And, like a family, each member must pitch in. The rooms are kept clean by the guests, who vacuum and dust when there is need. The guests also cook their own meals, and they usually eat dinner together.

Nuleen, who cared for children out of her Corvallis home for 17 years, offers programs for the children of the shelter. "Children who come here are frustrated and angry," explained Nuleen. "They don't know why they always have to

move around and why nothing belongs to them." She conducts a daily two-hour sessions with the preschoolers in which they can get out some of their anger by working with objects such as Play-Doh or by making cookie dough. In the evenings, she helps the older kids with their homework, or just talks with them.

Leonard and Nuleen also spend much of their time keeping in touch with past guests who are now on their own in

the community. "To many of them, we are their only family," said Nuleen. Past guests rely on the Gibsons for anything from advice on a low-cost doctor to free baby-sitting.

Because of the support they receive from the shelter, most of the guests are eventually able to live on their own. According to Nuleen, very few guests go on to other shelters.

The Fish Guest House was started in

1973 by community members who saw a need for a family emergency shelter. They City of Corvallis leases the one-acre property to Fish for one dollar per year. The house is funded by the United Way, the federal government, the City of Corvallis, and community contributions.

In response to the changing needs of the community, the Fish Guest House Board of Directors would like to initiate three new programs to aid the homeless. One program would be a peer support group for guest house residents, past and present. Another would be to start up a shelter which would help families deal with the transition from the emergency shelter to self-sufficiency. The board would also like to start up an advocacy program in which trained volunteers from the community help families with the transition.

"Basically, these people need to know that they have a support system, that it doesn't end when they go out the door," said Nuleen.

Another goal of the Fish Guest House is to educated the public about today's homeless.

According to Linda Walker, chairman of the Fish Guest House Board of Directors, many of the homeless are basically hard-working people who, for one reason or another, are just down on their luck.

She cites the low minimum wage, which helps to create a "working poor" class, as well as a lack of low-income housing in the area as contributors to the problem in Corvallis.

The Fish Guest House invites the community to get involved. There is always a need for drivers, as many of the guests do not have cars, and buses are sometimes too unreliable for important appointments such as job interviews and visits to the doctor.

There are many other ways in which people can help. The Gibsons invite interested people to visit the house. The phone number is 753-8358.

The guest house is also in need of money. Donations may be sent to Fish Shelter, 1434, NW Haven Green PL., Corvallis, OR 97330.

Student publishes poetry to aid homeless shelter

By Beth Young
Commuter Writer

From 11:00 to 1:00 during the week of Feb. 13-17, poet and LBCC student Shirley W. Price and friends will be selling copies of her new book at a table outside the Commons as a fund-raising effort to aid a local homeless shelter.

Ms. Price will be signing copies of the book.

The book, "Tales the Live Oaks Tell and Others" will be on sale for \$4.95.

All of the profits will go to the Fish Guest House, an emergency shelter for homeless families and individuals, located in Corvallis.

The book, a series of poems written over a period of years, is Price's first publication. The poems range in mood from rustic good humor to feelings about homelessness, self-affirmation and spirituality.

Price, a former nurse, suffered a series of medical setbacks a few years ago that devastated her financially and left her unable to work. She entered to Fish Guest House in Corvallis, out of money and without a home.

Because of the care and guidance she received from Leonard and Nuleen Gibson, managers of the shelter, she said she was able to get herself back on her feet.

Price now lives in her own mobile home in Corvallis and is a full-time creative writing major at LBCC.

"She is one of our success stories," said Nuleen Gibson.

The Guest House is in need of money, according to Linda Walker, chairman of the Fish Guest House Board. The house relies on community contributions for \$4,000 of its \$21,000 annual budget. Other sources of funding are the United Way, the federal government and the City of Corvallis. So far this year, however, the house has collected only \$1,500 in contributions, said Walker.

Because of her desire to help, Price decided to publish her poems. Said Price: Nuleen told me that although I didn't have money, I had talent."

The book is illustrated by local artist Kelly Tharp, who also donated her talents. Tharp is an occupational therapist in Corvallis.

FLOWER SALE

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Delivered February 14, 8-5

To your sweetheart's class!

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CC-213 Student Programs Office

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THE LION, THE WITCH & THE WARDROBE

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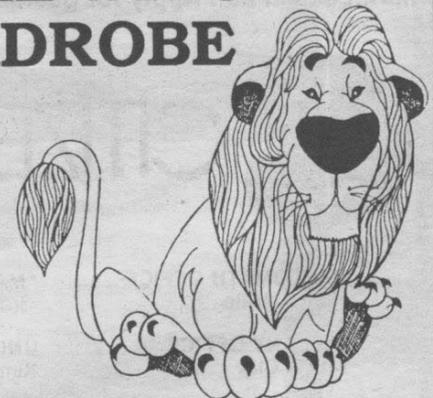
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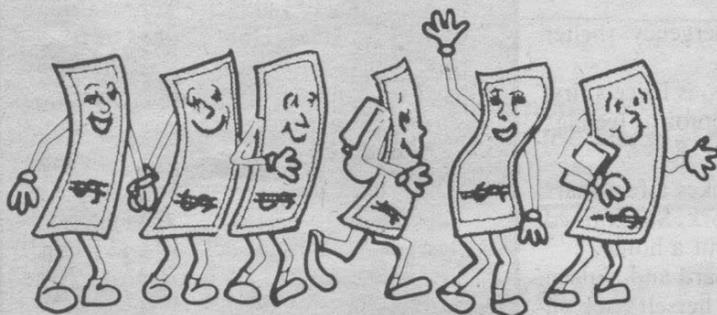
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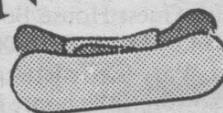
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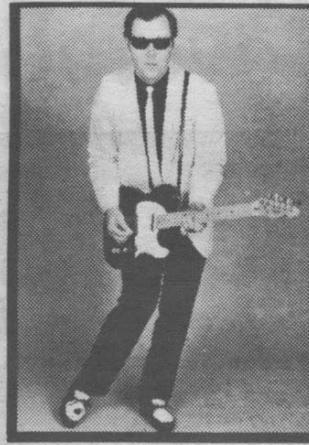
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SPORTS PAGE

Lady hoopsters overpower WOSC



The Commuter/RANDY WRIGHTHOUSE

Roadrunner guard Renee Elkins displays her ball-handling skills with a no-look pass during Monday night's non-league game against the Western Oregon State College Junior Varsity team. LBCC won the game 75-62 before a sparse crowd in the Activities Center. The Lady Roadrunners took control of the game in the second half and were led in scoring by Michelle Derry with 26 points. Earlier in the week, Elkins was the second-leading scorer in LB's 75-62 loss to Umpqua. That defeat left the team with a 3-5 league record, tied with Mt. Hood for fourth place in the NWAAC-Southern Division. Tonight they play Southwestern Oregon at 6 p.m. in the Activities Center, and on Saturday they play at Mt. Hood. Two wins would give the Roadrunners a legitimate shot at the playoffs.

By Jess Reed
Commuter Writer

LBCC's women's basketball team blew-out Western Oregon's JV team 63-45 Monday night in a non-league game after suffering a 75-62 league loss to undefeated Umpqua on Wednesday.

In their Monday victory the Roadrunners played a slow first half but they took a four point lead into the locker room. In the second half the women came out smokin' as they pulled away from the Wolves by as much as 14.

"We played well in the second-half," said LB coach Debbie Prince. The team out-rebounded the Wolves by a 52-29 margin. LB also out-shot the JV team 44 percent to 34.

Michelle Derry lead the Roadrunners in scoring with 26 points and 12 rebounds while Lori Kennedy contributed 10 points and Jennifer DeJong added seven rebounds.

The lady Roadrunners played much better against the Wolves Monday then in their previous match-up this season as Western Oregon defeated the Roadrunners by a 64-46 margin in what could have been their worse loss of the season. When asked if the team played better on Monday coach Prince simply stated "Much better."

In Wednesday's loss to undefeated Umpqua, LB didn't come out and play hard and allowed Umpqua to set the tempo as LB suffered their fifth league loss of the season.

"If we played our game we could have beat them," said Prince about the loss.

The team had four players score in double digits lead by Michelle Derry's 15 and Renee Elkins 14 while Derry also pulled down 6 rebounds.

Saturday's game against the Concordia's JV team was cancelled due to bad weather conditions and rescheduling is unlikely.

The women are currently tied with Mt. Hood CC for fourth in the league with a 3-5 league record, and the top four teams will go to the playoffs. After a contest at home against Southwestern Oregon at home on Wednesday 6:00 p.m., the ladies will travel to Gresham to battle Mt. Hood for fourth place and a possible playoff birth on Saturday.

Umpqua tops Roadrunners in league contest

By Gary Boyer
Commuter Writer

Linn-Benton made only 26 percent of their field-goals and dropped an 80-59 NWAACC Southern Division men's basketball game to Umpqua last Wednesday.

LB made only 20 out of 77 field goal attempts. Chris Doscher scored 17 points and grabbed 20 of the 65 rebounds while Dave Dufort added 15 points.

LB trailed 33-25 at the half and closed to four points within nearly 15 minutes. But then Umpqua's hot shooting and LB's poor shooting turned the game into a rout.

Anthony Steward of Umpqua lead all scorers with 32 points.

Saturday's game against Portland CC was canceled due to poor weather conditions and was rescheduled for Monday.

In Monday's game LBCC destroyed the Portland Community College Panthers 120-73. The Roadrunners played good defense and never gave up a lead through the entire game.

After gaining a 15-point lead at the half, the men only increased their lead in the second to as much as 49 as key steals and tough shooting helped them achieve the victory.

Dave Dufort made six, three pointers in route to his game high 31 while Chris Doscher contributed 24 points and 8 rebounds and Gamail Goins scored 19.

The men are now 3-7 in league and 10-13 overall and will battle Southwestern Oregon Community College tonight at home at 8 p.m. They will then play Mt. Hood in Gresham on Saturday.

Local BMX enthusiasts soon to have place to ride

By Chris Albee
Commuter Writer

The City of Albany has approved construction of a BMX race track at the Timber-Linn Memorial Park.

Mark Tyler, president of the Corvallis BMX Association, brought the idea to the attention of the Albany council, and will be in charge of the track once it is built.

Riders for the track are welcome from all outlying areas, but the bulk of the participants will be from the Albany area. Consequently, Tyler said, the increased patronage will be beneficial to the community.

The track will be constructed on a one-acre site in the park and will be approximately 11,000 feet long.

Space will also be provided for spectator bleachers and vendors.

Tyler said the original date for construction of the park was to be Feb. 4-5, but due to the snow and frozen ground, he expected construction would be delayed until March 3-4.

The Oregon National Guard will be in charge of constructing the track, but Tyler noted that "probably not even they would want to be out in weather like this."

In order to be involved in races at the track, riders must first be sanctioned by the American Bicycle

Association. To become sanctioned, riders must show proof of the number of first-place finishes in non-sanctioned events and pay a \$25 membership fee.

Ages of previous participants at the Corvallis track have ranged from 3 to 41 years old and Tyler expects basically the same at the Timber-Linn site.

Racers will be broken into three divisions according to experience: novice, intermediate, and advanced.

For people who would like to use the track, but do not wish to go through the sanctioning process, the Parks Commission has decided to keep the track open for public use on the weekdays.

Tyler hopes that if the present schedule is followed, races can begin in early April.