





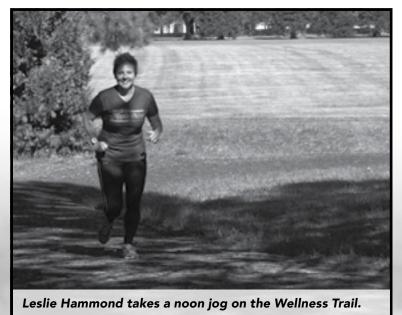




FEELING WELL ON THE Wellness Trail

If you're feeling bogged down, overwhelmed with your classes, or just need a break, then LBCC has a solution for you.

For the first time ever at the Albany campus there will be a recreational group meeting twice a week at the Wellness Trail. On Sept. 30 the debut of the LB Roadrunners activity group dawned a new era of healthiness on campus as they announced their plans to meet weekly.



Leslie Hammond, associate dean of liberal arts, will meet every Tuesday and Thursday at noon behind the Activities Center with LB Roadrunners to enjoy some healthy living as they walk or run together.

There is no fee or sign up sheet to join. All you have to do is show up and enjoy a walk or run with a friendly face.

"I like being able to run for miles and miles," said Hammond.

Students are constantly in their books, studying, and staring at computer screens instead of getting the exercise that they need. The Department of Health and Human Services recommends that healthy adults should spend 150 minutes a week practicing moderate aerobic activity.

"I run for enjoyment and health," said LB RoadRunner Josh Carper.

The Wellness Trail originated from the need for track and cross country runners to have a softer place to practice and train. Initially made with a layer of bark dust, the trail didn't hold up to the elements well. The Wellness Committee kickstarted the transformation of the trail to what we have

> today. Money for improvements came from fundraisers and Track and Field donations.

The Wellness Trail has two loops to utilize. By walking or running the entire figure eight, users will have gone one mile. Walk or run the smaller trail and you will have completed half a mile.

Along with the Wellness Committee, fundraisers, donations there were people who helped with the physical labor of the rebuild. Brad Carman, a physical education instructor, was one of the people responsible for construction of the trail. He helped excavate the former trail and lay the new material down.

"The track and Wellness Trail have been convenient resources for our campus community for years. I hope many of you will be able to take

advantage of those areas for exercise or as a place to go for a break and fresh air," said Carman.

No matter your fitness level LB Roadrunners can move at your pace. Take 30 minutes twice a week out of your schedule to walk or run for your health. If noon doesn't fit into your schedule there is also a walk or run at 1 p.m.

For questions regarding the LB Roadrunners Wellness Trail walk or run...

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STORY AND PHOTOS BY **MELISSA JEFFERS**

ROADRUNNER RENDEZVOUS **FUN ON CAMPUS**

Matt Grimes, the new Recreations Facilitator at SLC, wants to know what kind of fun you want to have on campus!

This Wednesday, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Grimes will have a booth by the Courtyard Lunch taking suggestions from students. The goal is to have weekly RoadRunner Rendezvous somewhere on campus where students can take a break from their books, socialize, and do something fun.

"It's a big group of people that continually show up to break up the routine of just studying," said Grimes.

RoadRunner Rendezvous is not a club, nor an expectation of weekly involvement, it's simply an opportunity to be part of an activity while you wait for your next class. Ping pong, tennis, sand volleyball, cricket, ultimate frisbee, disc golf, and football are some of the possibilities.

Getting involved with campus life can enhance your campus experience. Being active is a healthy alternative to the hours students spend on computers and in books. RoadRunner Rendezvous can also be an opportunity to meet people in clubs or network.

"We want this to be a success, for students to participate and bring everyone together," said Grimes. "It's good to have big groups of friends as an outlet."

Depending on the event, participating students will be eligible for Hype Points.

Your suggestion counts on what you want to do. All ideas are welcome. Stop by his booth today or contact Matt Grimes at campusrec1@linnbenton.edu or 541-917-4477.

STORY AND PHOTO BY **ALLISON LAMPLUGH**



FREE MONEY SCHOLARSHIP WORKSHOP THIS WEEK

School can be expensive!

This Wednesday and Thursday there is a free scholarship workshop for all students interested in money to help pay for school. No registration to the workshop is necessary. It will be held in the Calapooia Center, Room 203 from noon to 1 p.m. both days.

"Anyone can come, bring your lunch and stay as long as you want," said Sharon Wall of the Financial Aid office.

Wall, in a joint effort with the LBCC Foundation, is organizing the event to help guide students through the process of finding available scholarships, filling out applications, collecting required documents, and to caution against common, preventable mistakes that can lead to a denied application.

"We hope to make a difference in the number of applications we receive," said Wall.

Students will get help with looking in the scholarship database for one best suited for them, inform where the money comes from, and to discuss conflicts scholarships may or may not have with preexisting financial aid.

The terms of the scholarships and those who qualify for them can vary. Some have age requirements, some require a certain declared major, some require you to reside in a particular county, or some may be based on future goals you outline in an essay.

The workshop will help you learn where to look for

one you can claim. Each year scholarships go unclaimed, the money is there, you just need to find it.

This term, the deadline to turn in applications is Oct. 24 at 5 p.m.

At that point, a committee will look at potential applicants who submitted complete paperwork. The decision process will take roughly a month to get your results back.

"The committee reads everything, so neatness counts. You want your best presentation," said Wall.

If you are awarded a scholarship you will be eligible to receive the money at the start of winter term.

Here are a few tips to prepare yourself for the application process:

If you are a recent high school graduate, you will need to provide a transcript to establish your GPA. It's also helpful to show involvement in any activities such as sports, student government, or community projects. They can benefit your eligibility.

Everyone should prepare two letters of recommendation. They should not be from a parent as it will result in a denied application. They need to be someone with a professional relationship such as a teacher, coach or employer.

STORY BY ALLISON LAMPLUGH



TODAY IN HISTORY:

1835 Charles Darwin reaches James Island, Galapagos archipelago, on HMS Beagle

1818 Two English boxers are first to use padded gloves

1775 Officers decide to bar slaves and free blacks from Continental Army

1942 Comedy duo Abbott and Costello launch their weekly radio show

1964 Ringo Starr takes and passes his driving test

TO VOTE OR NOT TO VOTE

There are seven universities and 17 community L colleges in Oregon—that's a lot of students.

This November, Oregonians will cast their votes on the 2014 general election ballot measures. Since 1996 an average of 12 measures have appeared on the Oregon ballot, this year being below average with only seven.

Decisions will be made on judicial authorities and elections, immigration laws, civil rights, legalization of marijuana, and labeling of genetically modified foodstuffs (GMOs). Most important for students to pay attention to is Measure 86; amending the constitution to require legislation that creates funds for Oregonians pursuing post-secondary education.

Additionally, on the Linn and Benton county ballots will be a proposed \$34 million bond for LBCC (as discussed in last week's edition) to be used for renovations and expansions of LBCC campuses and programs.

This month, over 100 LBCC students were asked if they will be casting their vote. Of those asked, 33 percent said they do not intend on voting.

Of those students not voting, 85 percent that said they will not be voting because, "it doesn't affect me." The majority of the rest said they choose not to vote because they "don't know enough."

If Measure 86 is passed, the state will be allowed to create a certain debt with extended credit to college students, including those in technical, professional, and career training programs.

LBCC has nearly 100 programs offered to roughly 7,000 enrolled students.

A two-year program at LBCC costs the average state resident around \$9,000, not including books and student fees. For many students the cost matters and assistance to pay for school could make a difference between completion and withdrawal.

In 2015 tuition at LBCC will increase, adding more financial responsibility on students. If Measure 86 does not pass, students will not have access to an exclusive fund set aside by the state to assist in the cost of tuition.

Here are a few responses from students and their reasons to vote or not to vote.

"I feel like, as a member of community I should voice my opinion and be an active member."

- Brianna Anderson

"I believe in being politically active. Obviously how the country is now run is not my perfect ideal and the difference I can make is to do something."

- Anika Hall

"I haven't yet (voted) and it's kind of a scary thought. It's a big decision."

- Ethan Taylor

"I feel like voting is how I will make a difference in the world and most of the people in charge are stuck in the past."

- Jessica Drexler

"I joined the military and it's a right I joined to protect; freedom."

- Daniel Pace

"I'm not informed and if you're not informed you can't make a decision. The media presents to you whatever they want to. They twist things so you get lies anyways."

-Veronica Perez

"I feel like everyone has a right to vote and it's better to use that right."

-Ali Knox

"I've registered, I just haven't learned a lot and don't want to just blindly vote."

- Rachael Choquette

STORY BY ALLISON LAMPLUGH





"GMO OMG" COMING TO SALEM

labeling of GMO foodstuffs?

experiment ever conducted on human beings. Each high school in Willamette Valley vegetable canneries, to

of us unknowingly consumes genetically engineered food on a daily basis. The risks and effects to our health and the environment are largely unknown. Yet more and more studies are being conducted around the world, which only provide even more reason for concern. We are the oblivious guinea pigs for wide-scale experimentation of modern biotechnology.

"GMO OMG" tells the story of a father's discovery of GMOs in relationship to his three young children and the world around him. We still have time to heal the planet, feed the world, and live sustainably. But we have to start now!

Ivan Maluski, Director of Friends of Family Farmers

Maluski farms in rural Linn County, and came to Friends of

Want more information on Measure 92; required Family Farmers with more than a decade of experience is a concerned father of two girls. His concern over working on natural resource policy issues at the state and the food he was feeding his family, combined with Today in the United States, by the simple acts of feeding federal levels. He's had diverse experiences with Oregon California's past GMO labeling effort, were the catalysts ourselves, we are unwittingly participating in the largest agriculture over the years, from working summers during

> delivering organic produce to Portland area restaurants and stores, to growing and selling produce and pasture-raised pork and poultry at farmers' markets. Maluski helps FoFF accomplish its legislative and policy priorities and has until recently served as an elected board member of the Colton Rural Fire Protection District.

> Scott Bates, Director of GMO Free Oregon Bates has been working hard with volunteers all over the state to put GMO measures on the ballot at both the State and County levels. As Chief Petitioner, he has been instrumental in the campaign for placing Measure 92 on the ballot this November in Oregon. Bates is the son of northwest cheese-maker and is a Software Architect in Portland, but more importantly,

that turned Bates into an accidental food activist.

PRESS RELEASE



Discussion: Why Labeling Matters

Date: Thursday, Oct. 9, 2014

Time: 7 p.m.

Where: Unitarian Universalist Fellowship 2945 NW Circle Blvd. Corvallis, Ore.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Movie: "GMO OMG"

Date: Thursday, Oct. 9, 2014 **Time:** Doors open at 6:15 p.m.

Film begins at 7 p.m.

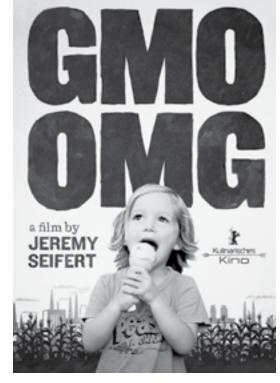
Where: Grand Theater 191 High St. NE

(corner of High and Court Streets) Salem, Ore.

Admission: \$5

Presented by The Salem Progressive Film

Series (SPFS)



FREE TUTORING ON CAMPUS

IMPROVED EASY TO USE TUTORING SYSTEM

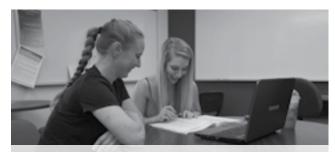


PHOTO: CHRISTOPHER TROTCHIE Tutor Chrissy Gibson helps a student.

To more waiting in line and filling out registration forms, the LBCC tutoring system is now going paperless.

"It's wonderful and much less work. No more manually entering when there are many students at once. This system removed the barrier," said Carlena Weeks, Learning Center staffer.

A combination of feedback and staff members motivated the advance to the system for students. After a year and half of set up and coordination work, along with the Achieving the Dream program, the system was completed over the summer.

"We want to have not only the DG (Destination Graduation)students but all students achieve dreams," said Sheri McIntyre, tutoring coordinator, "The returning students were surprised when they found out everything was already set into service for them."

The new system has all students already registered.

Before scheduling tutoring sessions simply log-in to TutorTrac at tutortrac.linnbenton.edu to view available spots. The username is your student ID number with a capital X and the password is your birthdate written as "YYYYMMDD."

When logging in for the first time, make sure to click on "Confirm Bio" and change your password to a more secure one. This step is important so that profiles stay private. This is a one-time process. After login, returning students don't have to recreate an account or profile.

The rest follows the old-fashioned way. Click on the "Search Availability" button, then carefully choose the campus, subject, and date. Hit the "Search" button to view the scheduling calendar and you're good to go.

Further instructions to reserve appointments will show on the website after students choose the available time.

On the web, students will also find a time schedule for the Writing Center and Math Angel.

The Writing Center used to have its own system which meant students had to go through registration twice by paperwork. However, both math and writing tutoring are within the same system now so students automatically have access to both subjects. The chart of available times will show based on the subject students choose from the left side bar on the web

"This is just easy now," said Brendon Froemke, who

works at the Learning Center and as a math tutor.

Each week, students can have three hours of tutoring for free. Students are also eligible to schedule appointments up to 10 days in advance. There are also drop-in hours for MTH 15-98.

If more tutoring hours or one-on-one tutors are needed, students can contact the tutor coordinator or the Center for Accessibility Resources on campus.

Cancellation must be done in advance. The system will allow cancellation two hours before the meeting time, but earlier cancellation is preferred so that other students can take that opportunity. Cancellation can be done online, by phone or by visiting the Learning Center.

STORY BY YULING ZHOU

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Math Desk: Drop-in assistance for all levels of math. WH 226

Math 65 Online Videos: video tutoring for MTH 65.

Center for Accessibility Resources:

The LBCC Gender and Sexuality Alliance (GSA) are having a FABULOUS fundraiser this Friday, Oct. 10. Where, you ask? In front of the Hot Shot Cafe? When, you ask? From noon to 1:30 p.m. Ah, but WHAT, you ask?

This is an opportunity for folks to see what it is like to negotiate the world from a pair of high heels. Challenge yourself, challenge your peers, but especially, challenge your students to take part in this event. You will gain a very different perspective on the world.

Folks will take laps around the courtyard in high heels in exchange for donations. These donations will go towards future GSA events.

ALSO: We need SHOES! The higher the heels, the better!

All shapes and sizes are more than welcome (think about those heels you have mouldering in your closet that you only pull out for Halloween). If you are willing to donate a pair for use on Friday (they will be returned afterwards), please respond to: GSALBCC@gmail. com. To respond in person, please go to the DAC.

We guarantee fun for all, so we hope to see you there, rain or shine!!

GSA PRESS RELEASE



DID YOU KNOW?

A "chimera" is the result of two embryos fusing to one unit in the first few days of pregnancy. One twin claims the blood and the other claims the tissues thus a blood test a cheek swab for DNA will appear to be two different people.

Advice from Weiss



COLUMN BY MARK WEISS

receive financial aid and I'm really having a hard time, financially. I can make it through this term, but I'm worried I might have to drop out for winter quarter.

Answer: Besides the financial aid program, LBCC has two ways of helping students with money issues; and they both begin by seeing a

Career and Employment Specialist in the Career Center in Takena Hall, or at our Lebanon and Corvallis centers.

One way we try to help is by working with students to find scholarships. Although you can do a scholarship search on your own on the internet, most sites will want you to pay a fee. Our service is free to you, and once shown how to do the search, you will likely be able to

A Career and Employment Specialist will help you by showing you the system, including how to narrow your search. There are thousands of scholarships available,

Question: Help, but only some will apply to you. Usually a I need money. Well, funding source is either trying to suppor we all do. But I don't a certain kind of profession (Welding, Biology, Nursing, etc.), or a certain kind of person (personal background, family background, challenges you may face, etc.). The folks in the Career Center can help set the search up so you only try to view those scholarships that reflect who you are and what you want to do.

> The second thing we have available to students is a job placement system. Employers, from all over the two county area, list jobs on our site and the folks in the Career Center (or Benton Center or Lebanon Center) can show you how to view the listings, and, if there's anything you want to try for, they can tell you how to reach the employer to apply. And, the good news is, there are jobs available. We've had a large number of employers list with us in the last several months. Most of them part time. So if a job will help you stay in school, we have a resource to help you figure that out.

> Please send questions to weissm@ linnbenton.edu



THE BEAUTIFUL NEIGHBORHOOD

There is a neighborhood where the trees are tall as giants and the grass is green as emeralds. Each morning those emeralds stretch, sparkling into the distance to greet the sun.

This neighborhood has majesty. That's why people travel from all over to lay out blankets, and sit under the big trees to have lunch. Boys bring their girlfriends to the neighborhood, so they can sneak off in the woods to get a kiss.

The neighborhood is beautiful, it's true, but this neighborhood has a secret.

This secret is something everyone in town knows. Not much of a secret if everyone knows about it, sure. But this isn't your regular secret. This is a secret that everyone keeps even when they're drunk —even when they trust each other they still don't talk about it.

In this neighborhood the neighbors don't have homes, they don't have any other place to go, they're not safe anywhere. Worst of all, it is cold at night under the big trees where they sleep.

Stephen Elam, age 55, is one of the residents of the neighborhood.

Elam came to live in River Park 10 years after his move to Lebanon. He remembers his first visit to the beautiful neighborhood as others do.

"I wanted to hang out and have a beer," said Elam. The secret of the neighborhood is, it's not a neighborhood at all. It's a city park.

Elam came from California. Originally from Stockton, he attended Franklin High School where he graduated in 1976. In 1978 he moved in with his girlfriend while he worked for Pacific Plumbing.

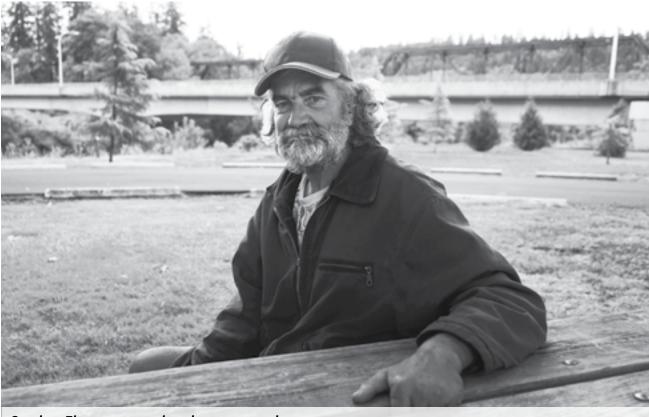
Working his way from the bottom up, he soon became proficient working on HVAC systems and all aspects of plumbing. The company he worked for—back then—followed the installation of the Bay Area Rapid Transit system (BART).

As developers raced to build on the coveted land near and around the BART, Elam and his company were contracted to install plumbing systems in the apartment buildings and housing developments that popped up like daisies in the late 70s and early 80s.

In 1980 Elam and his wife were blessed with their first daughter Stephanie, and two years later they celebrated the birth of their second daughter, Christian Lee.

"Those were the most wonderful, greatest days of my life," said Elam.

Those "greatest days" soon grew dark for Elam when



Stephen Elam rests on a bench on a sunny day.

his life took a turn for the worse.

Elam slipped into a period of time where he let drug use take control, and just like that, everything he had worked so hard for crashed like an out-of-control train.

For Elam, the embarrassment he was causing his family was too much to bare. He felt they deserved better from their father, husband, son and brother. After a while, it was better in his mind to drift away.

Spending less and less time with his loved ones because of his drug use, he all but disappeared.

"I knew the drugs were killing me. I felt all I was to anyone was embarrassing," said Elam.

He soon cast himself away from his family and friends altogether. In a desperate last ditch effort Elam fled away to Alaska attempting to quit drugs while dredging for gold in the mountain air. On a good day he would harvest a half ounce of gold dust.

In Alaska Elam quit using methamphetamines and cleared his head, lifting the veil drugs had placed over his eyes.

Elam moved to Oregon in 1992 after his

parents bought a house in Lebanon. He worked jobs ranging from: the timber industry, Golden West Home Builders, a bus conversion factory in Eugene, and even held a position at Oregon Freeze Dry in Albany.

Everyone in this town drives by and sees their neighbors out playing horseshoes like they usually do under the sun.

When visitors eat their lunches on their blankets under the trees, they know at night the neighbors huddle up with their dogs, wrapping themselves in sleeping bags and blankets for warmth.

They don't know that each of the neighbors has a story of triumph, a story of sorrow, a story of love.

Editors note: First of series documenting the homeless population in the city of Lebanon.

STORY AND PHOTOS BY CHRISTOPHER TROTCHIE

THE CASE OF THE MISSING QUARTER-MILLION DOLLARS

An elderly, long-time Albany resident was robbed recently by a woman from Texas.

Marcia Barksdale lives in Albany and worked hard her entire life. She never had a great job, but she had good jobs. She lived frugally. She drove mediocre cars. She lived in modest homes. She saved money.

Barksdale is now retired, and penniless. Ana Veronica Hagan of El Paso swindled that life savings—all \$250,000 of it.

In Linn County Circuit Court on Sept. 26, Hagan pled guilty to one count of criminal mistreatment and two counts of aggravated theft. Hagan was sentenced to one month in prison for the elderly abuse plea and to two consecutive 21-month prison terms for the theft counts.

Hagan will do three and a half years in prison. the minimum for these crimes.

This was a negotiated plea, and the sentence also includes restitution and a clause stating Hagan is never to care for the elderly again. After prison, Hagan will be on probation for three years.

Hagan's record includes domestic files and a burglary conviction.

Most of the money that Hagan stole from Barksdale



Ana Veronica Hagan consults her laywer.

went to gambling. A forensic scientist was able to track Hagan's spending and the casino losses were in excess of \$233,000.

Central Willamette Credit Union noticed odd activity in the victim's accounts, sometime in September 2011, and alerted police. The investigation took more than three years.

Hagan, in a statement, told the court that she suffered from cocaine addiction.

After some 2,000 pages of reports, Hagan made a deal. Linn Circuit Court Judge Bispham agreed with the plea deal but said that the court thought Hagan deserved a harsher sentence.

"What you did to the victim was not a mistake. It was repeated and calculated," said Bispham.

Prosecutor Jonathan Crow said, "It is doubtful Hagan even pays back 10 percent of the theft."

A representative of the victim read a statement, and in that statement, Barksdale told the court of how hard she had worked to save money.

"I wanted to provide a comfortable life for my disabled son and his wife, and now that is gone."



fter being handed their first loss of the season unranked team since 2008 against Boise State. Arrongon's chance at a playoff birth is dwindling.

unranked Arizona 31-24, the Ducks first loss to an to unranked conference foes.

While the loss hurt Oregon's stock, the biggest loss Thursday night in Autzen, Oregon lost to then came Saturday when two ranked Pac-12 teams also lost

> While the Pac-12 as a conference won strong out of conference games, no team has yet to step up in the Pac-12 South as the clear front runner, hurting the conferences perception and overall strength of schedule.

> The playoff selection committee have said that team's strength of schedule will play a strong role in their selection come December, as will conference championships.

> Therein lies Oregon's road back into the playoff picture. The Ducks have a chance to rebound this weekend in a nationally televised game against ranked UCLA on FOX at 12:30 p.m PT.

> If Oregon is able to get back on course to win the Pac-12 they will join a short list



Oregon Duck in front of student section.

of teams in the playoff selection conversation.

The Ducks' number 12 ranking might seem low considering they lost to an undefeated team that is now ranked in the top 10. They also have a quality win out of conference against Michigan State, another top 10 team.

There are four SEC West teams, three Big-12, Arizona, Michigan State, Notre Dame and Florida State ahead of the Ducks.

Three SEC teams and two Big-12 teams can't win a championship. Oregon has a head-to-head win against the Big-10 leader and if Oregon goes on to win the Pac-12 championship Arizona will have at least 1 loss.

Only one SEC, one Big-12, FSU, and Notre Dame have a better shot to end the season ahead of Oregon.

Oregon's chances at a National Championship might have taken a hit this weekend, but they are far from gone.

"Win the Day"

STORY AND PHOTOS BY **ANDREW GILLETTE**



Marcus Mariota completes his first reception for a touchdown.

BEAVS HOLD ON IN BOULDER

Beavers still haven't given up back-to-back away losses since 2003.

In the midst of a historic week of upsets nationwide, the Beavers found a way to win against the Buffaloes in Colorado.

OSU beat UC 36-31, after the Beaver's held off a late push by the Colorado offense.

The Beavs gave up a 17 yard reception for a touchdown by Colorado wide receiver Tyler McCulloch with three minutes left in the fourth quarter to close the gap from

next drive and got the ball back with just over two minutes left in the game.

Linebacker Michael Doctor and the Beaver's defense created a turnover on downs and kneeled out the clock in victory formation after holding the Buffaloes to just four yards in four plays during their attempt at a winning drive.

"It really feels good when you come out here and you are enjoying it, you're not overthinking it, you aren't

stressing yourself out, you are just out there playing ball," Sean Mannion said.

Mannion was 27-37 and moved himself 278 yards closer to the all time record for passing yards. Wide reciever Victor Bolden returned for the Beavers and caught six of Mannion's completions for 37 yards.

Having Bolden back opened up one-on-one opportunities for other receivers like Caleb Smith who had his break-out game of the season. Smith made 4 catches for a team high 67 yards and a touchdown.

With some pieces back in the OSU offense, and a wide open Pac-12 North Division after losses by Oregon and Stanford this last weekend, the Beavers find themselves in a three way tie at 1-1 for second in

The Colorado Defense held up the Beavers on the the Pac-12 North with only the University of California ahead of them at 2-1.

With 12 days off until their matchup against Utah on Thursday, Oct. 16, the Beavers will have plenty of time to rest up and get guys healthy before taking on the Utes in front of their home crowd.

The Matchup against Utah begins at 7 p.m. and can be seen on FOX Sports 1.

STORY BY COOPER PAWSON



Storm Woods is fired up after the game.





ROADRUNNER BASEBALL

RoadRunners lose twice in double-header.
The Linn-Benton Baseball team hosted a double header Sunday Oct. 5 at Goss Stadium in Corvallis. LB played host to both Mt. Hood Community College and Lower Columbia Community College.

The double header started with a seven inning game against Mt. Hood. Linn-Benton took the lead early, but in the top of the seventh-inning Mt. Hood got two runs to take a 4-3 lead.

The RoadRunners got men on first and second but vere unable to drive in the winning runs.

Game two took place later in the day against Lower Columbia Community College.

Jake Musial started the game for the RoadRunners and pitched three innings. Lower Columbia scored on a single to center field in the second inning and never looked back.

After allowing three more runs in the third, the RoadRunners found themselves trailing 4-0. Linn-Benton couldn't get a rally going and eventually lost 5-1.

Center Fielder Travis Walcott had a good game at the plate, going 2-2 with a walk. Freshman third baseman Trevin Stephens went 1-3 at the plate and made a great defensive play to save a run.

However, the pitching of Lower Columbia shut down the RoadRunners for most the day.

The one bright moment on offense came when Henry Rondeau hit a sacrifice fly to left field that brought in the only run of the game.

Emilio Alcantar came into the game to relieve Musial in the fourth inning. Alcantar threw two scoreless innings and prevented Lower Columbia from opening a bigger lead.

Although Linn-Benton dropped both games Sunday there are many positives to take away. Coach Ryan Gipson's team is still learning and will get better as the year progresses.

Sophomore transfer Austin Kelly will be one to watch this year for the RoadRunners. The first baseman and pitcher from Clackamas attended the University of Portland last year and transferred to Linn-Benton with hopes of moving on to Oregon

The RoadRunners play another double-header next weekend, October 12th, at Goss Stadium. They will play host to Everett Community College. First pitch will be Sunday at 10 a.m.

STORY AND PHOTOS AND COVER BY CALEB CLEARMAN



LBCC's baseball team await the start of their second game of the doubleheader.

LBCC Volleyball: DIG PINK NIGHT

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month and the Roadrunner Volleyball team is helping bring awareness to this disease by designating their game on Friday, Oct. 10 as "Dig Pink Night."

The RoadRunners will be facing Umpqua Community College at 6 p.m. at LBCC.

Admission for staff and students are FREE.

Donations to the Side-Out Foundation will be accepted. The athletic department will be donating admission proceeds to the Side-Out Foundation.

Wear pink to the game and show your support for the student-athletes and the Side-Out Foundation. Let's fill the gym with pink!

What is Dig Pink?

Dig Pink® is the name of the Side-Out Foundation's national October breast cancer rally. A Dig Pink® event

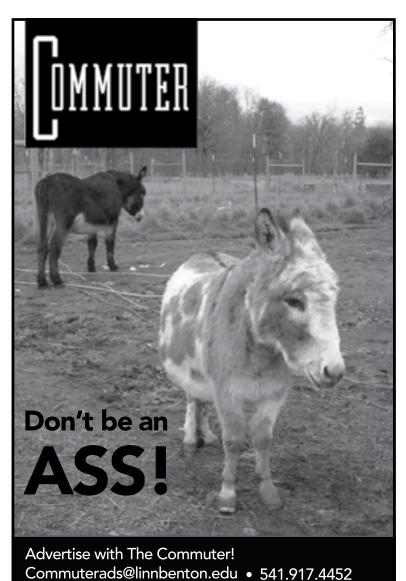


can be organized at the local, county, city or state level, and it is supported by college and middle/high school volleyball coaches and teams as well as club coaches and teams. All proceeds benefit the Side-Out Foundation, which in turn awards grants to medical research organizations and entities dedicated to providing patient services to breast cancer patients and their families. Your participation gives the volleyball community the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of all breast cancer patients. Thank you for getting involved!

The Side-Out Foundation Mission:

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GAME REVIEW:

HearthStone: Heroes of Warcraft

PUBLISHER: Blizzard Entertainment **DEVELOPER:** Blizzard Entertainment

SERIES: Warcraft **ENGINE:** Unity

GENRE: Adventure, Digital CCG PLATFORMS: Microsoft Windows, OSX,

iPad, iPhone, Android

OVERALL RATING: ★★★★★

REVIEW BY **MATHEW BROCK**

You're a Paladin squaring off against a Mage. It has been a long road to get to this point. You've constantly struggled to wrestle the advantage from your opponent throughout the game and have both taken some hits. You end your turn confident that victory will be yours on your next one. Just as long as she doesn't draw a Pyroblast...and she just drew a Pyroblast. Ten damage right to the face. Well played.

"Hearthstone: Heroes of Warcraft" is an offshoot of Blizzard Entertainment's incredibly popular Warcraft franchise. It takes famous characters from the series flagship title "World of Warcraft" and makes them into both playable characters and individual cards.

Each of the original nine "World of Warcraft" classes is represented by a famous character such as Rexxar as the Hunter or Gul'dan as the Warlock. Many of the game's iconic bosses like Illidan and Ragnaros have made it into the game as powerful legendary cards.

"Hearthstone: HOW" is a game like few others. It is a virtual card game that may seem to be less complicated than many similar games, but don't be fooled. It still attracts a demographic that focuses on competitive play.

The mechanics of the game are fairly simple. At the start of the game both players draw three cards and then the game decides who goes first. Whoever goes second then draws an additional card from their deck and also receives a card called The Coin, which costs zero mana and gives you one additional mana for the turn.

Players gain one Mana Crystal, a turn to a maximum of ten. These refresh each turn and can be affected by certain cards.

You can pick one of nine classes: Warrior, Shaman, Rogue, Mage, Paladin, Priest, Warlock, Druid, or Hunter. Each class has a unique power they can use once a turn and access several class specific cards. Because of this, each class tends to excel at different types of gameplay.

For example the Druid has several cards that allow him to generate extra Mana Crystals for one turn and is able to use more powerful cards far earlier in the game. The Rogue on the other hand is usually about stalling so that you can save up your cards until later in the game and use them together to make powerful combos.

There are two in-game currencies: Dust and Gold. Dust can be used to craft specific cards and is earned from wins in the Arena or by breaking down cards you already have. Gold can be used to buy packs of cards, entry to the Arena, or Solo Adventures and can be earned by completing in game quests. For example, winning five games with the Priest or Paladin classes.

You can play one of several ways: Ranked, Casual, Arena or a Solo Adventure.

"Hearthstone: HOW" mostly focuses on building your own decks and advancing through the 25 ranks of the Ranked ladder by winning games and earning a certain amount of stars. Each win gains you a single star,

but a winning streak will get you two per game instead. Casual is playing with your own deck but without rank or stars.

The Arena is a good old fashioned card draft. It costs 150 gold or \$1.99. You first pick one of three random classes and then create a deck from groups of three semi-random cards. By doing well in Arena you can earn in-game currency and packs of cards! Each deck has a lifespan of three losses or 12 wins. If you lose you must pay again for a new start.

Finally there is the Solo Adventure. Here you play against an AI, which generally has a pretty powerful deck. They recently released Curse of Naxxramas Adventure that allows you to play through several challenging sets of bosses and rewards you with new cards. You can use either real money or in-game money to gain access to these adventures.

The game was released last March. The first major card release, Curse of Naxxramas, came out four months later in July. In that time the game has become immensely popular, reaching 20 million registered players as of Sept. 22.

It has become one of the most popular games to view on sites such as Youtube and Twitch. If this trend continues there is no doubt it will live up to its pedigree of being one of the largest and most profitable gaming series of all time.

DANGERS OF EARLY ACCESS

We have probably all had that feeling. We hear about not even finish it at all. Case in point: "Towns." a game and just can't wait for it to come out! We tell all the hours until its eventual release. We watch every trailer and check the news daily as we fight back the butterflies of anticipation.

But these days we don't have to wait. We can play the game before it's out, while the developers are still making it. This might sound great at first, but a lot of the time it's not as great as it seems.

Early Access is a fairly new term when it comes to video game development. The term describes a process where consumers can have access to a game before it's finished. Sometimes you even get a small discount or a bonus, like a special title or an in-game item. The developers get free testing and players don't have to wait until the game is actually out to get a taste.

At first glance it seems like a win-win situation. Unfortunately there are a lot of dangers in this business model that people seem to overlook.

The thing you need to understand about an Early Access game is it will almost always be incomplete. Most of the time this isn't the game you've been hoping for. It's just the groundwork or the concept. You may end up with a game that isn't even playable. It could be too buggy or missing all the features that you signed up for in the first place! It could take them months or even years to finish it. Sometimes they may

our friends about it, think about it everyday, and count back as 2011 by a three man team. It eventually made its way onto Steam through the now defunct "Green Light" system in 2012. There it received criticism for being unfinished and buggy, but sallied forth with promises of additional features and constant updates. This year on Feb. 7 the team announced they were abandoning the project and passed it on to a single person developer. On May 6 it was announced that all development on the title would cease, leaving the game forever unfinished.



That said, not all Early Access games are bad.

"Minecraft" is the most successful Early Access game to date and arguably the thing that started the Early Access trend. The difference is that "Minecraft" delivered. Oh boy did it deliver. The game saw major updates after it's initial release and still has huge content releases to this day. Many would argue that it wouldn't be where it is without Early Access generating an enormous amount of hype.

Normally, when it comes to the subject of games, "Towns" was a game that was in development as far you can read all the reviews both good and bad, play the demo, and look at the history of the developer to determine their reputation.

But there's a problem. Early Access has thrown the natural order of things completely out of whack.

Many developers that utilize Early Access don't have a history other than the game they are making. Most don't make demos because as far as they're concerned Early Access is a demo—one that you pay for. Finally, most critics can't justify reviewing a game that isn't technically finished, even if it's already being sold as if it were.

So what can we do? It seems like the safest course of action is to simply not participate. Don't buy Early Access games. Let Early Access be the game's trial by fire. If it's bad it probably won't make it to a full release.

If nothing else at least educate yourself on the many dangers of allowing this business model to exist. Many influential people from the video game review and critique community have spoken out about the situation such as YouTube gaming critic, Totalbiscuit (John Baine) and editor of Escapist Magazine, Jim Sterling. Do a little research and be skeptical. Figure who really needs your money and who is treating your goodwill like a cash cow.

STORY BY **MATHEW BROCK**

POETRY CORNER

"Engagement"

Occupy yourself Organize your mind Participate, play role, partake Perform, evolve - transform -Kill conform, be electric - Storm Guns and Germs, Sell the farm Forget luke-warm exists You are hot The hottest, Hot-hot, Ruby Rod Leeloo Dallas Multi-pass Shining brass, senior class glass -Shatterproof Wisdom tooth in a youth fountain, You-Are focused, murderer, Plague of locusts, Interpreter of everything, Ending settling, forgetting perishing, Accelerating, leveling Reveling higher, heart under fire, Charging right through-You were born in the briar Wearing anti-anti tank missile attire Your desire is yours, and you know it. Hearth-heart aglow, it

Melts hail and snow, tipping

To and fro into A Vincent Van Gogh tidal flow neon tableau Blood type: "Oh, baby" Heart type: Mercedes Style type: embroidered silk jacket, Pink Ladies Just "yeses", no "maybes" And no "maybe nots" No counterfeit philosophies polluting your thoughts Don't walk the line, Chew it, waxed mint dental floss, Popping and unlocking gates Blocking your way to spotless, high-gloss yachts Namaste, Peaceful Eagle, Vegan bird of prey Make way For you We'll salute and step aside You're applied And no one can stop you From doing your do In this age or the next generation Engage, Young Crusher, You're my inspiration. My heart is in tune to your radio station And I hear you're killing the videostar So to all those who said you couldn't reach the set bar? A pat on the back, and a short "Au Revoir"

By Crash

Golden Glow

I entered this world questioning, and wanting to know, and met a bright auric fog, with a warm golden glow. Each radiant dot a new thought, a new place to begin?

So much to absorb, I leapt, and dove in.

Now I wonder, 'who am I, to think myself so good, if that's all I've been taught, and ever understood?'
When there's light all around, from the sky and the sea, how can I tell, if any light, comes from me?

It floors me that Newton, so great among all those who search, wrote that what wonders HE saw, was only thanks to the perch, he found on the shoulders, of those giants before.

If that's so then, could any of us claim even a little bit more?

Could I write half as well, without all the great authors I've read? Could I sing any songs, without others' songs in my head? The light all around me, that dazzles and warms, I see now, I think, its source and its forms.

A billion dim dots, make an awestriking whole, each person not yet forgotten, beams rays on my soul. Even those deep in the past, and lost to antiquity, their lights still refract, in an anonymous ubiquity.

It seems a culture is built, a speck at a time, added to through the ages, by lights of minds much like mine.

Philosophy and science, technology and art, everything advances, by piece and by part.

And so it must be, that in our every endeavor, the great things that we make, we make working together.

Thus all ambitions I plan, and any craft I might try, like everyone else, I'll be aided, by the billion lights in the sky.

By Nathan Tav Knight

NFL PENALIZES PRAYER

Not too many people in this world can say they intercepted a pass from New England Patriot and future Hall of Fame quarterback Tom Brady.

However, Kansas City Chiefs safety Husain Abdullah can.

During the Monday night game on Sept. 29, Abdullah picked off a pass from Brady and took it all the way back to the house for a touchdown. As he reached the endzone, Abdullah slid on his knees in celebration. Being a devout Muslim he proceed to pray briefly while bowing his head to the ground.

Abdullah was instantly penalized for "unsportsmanlike conduct."

Rule 12, Section 3, Article 1 (d) states, "players are prohibited from engaging in any celebrations or demonstrations while on the ground."

If this is the case the officials on the field needed to make a clearly defined call at that time, clarifying what he was penalized for. If we all remember correctly, Tim Tebow became infamous for doing what they now call "Tebowing," which is going to the ground on one knee in a brief prayer.



But that never happened. The NFL waited until the next day to "clarify" the penalty.

"Husain Abdullah should not have been penalized for unsportsmanlike conduct, following his fourth quarter touchdown, Rule 12, Section 3, Article 1 (d) states 'players are prohibited from engaging in any celebrations or demonstrations while on the ground.' However, the officiating mechanic in this situation is not to flag a player who goes to the ground as part of religious expression, and as a result, there should have been no penalty on the play," NFL Spokesman Michael Signora said in an email to Pro Football Talk.

The NFL didn't release a statement saying what he was called for and why, instead the NFL released an apology to Abdullah, according to Josh Alper of Pro Football talk.

Can you expect much else from the NFL right now? The league can't get anything right these days, from safety concerns by former and current players, to domestic violence, to substance abuse and now flat-out ignorance.

For someone like myself, who didn't grow up religious, I couldn't care less whether people make religious gestures. It is very much a part of the game.

What I can't stand is ignorance and hypocrisy.

Most people are expecting an official statement from NFL commissioner Roger Goodell, but what can really come from that?

A simple apology will not suffice.

There are already a lot of people that have supported Abdullah since the incident, but Abdullah's supporters want more than an apology.

"When you go to Mecca you should be able to slide wherever you want, we've got two priests here. They'd probably vouch for me," said Head Coach of the Chiefs, Andy Reid.

I want to give the referees the benefit of the doubt and say they didn't make the call based on the religious act; even though had it been Tebow out there, they wouldn't have thought twice about it. They would have just treated it like every other permitted celebration.



The league needs to come forward, explain what they did wrong, and needs to use this situation as an educational tool for current and future NFL referees. There is no reason why the refs can't take an extra moment after a touchdown to determine whether someone is praying or simply celebrating on the ground.

For the good of the league and its players, the NFL needs to get this one right.

STORY BY COOPER PAWSON



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

Iam so glad that Carolina Faria Autran De Morais is back safe with her family and studying here at LBCC. I am grateful for her courage to come forward and put a face to an untenable human rights issue in the U.S. Equally, I am dismayed that we cannot seem to get it right in our beloved USA as it relates to immigration, human dignity, and do what is morally the right thing to do—fix our broken immigration system.

It hurt reading about Carolina Faria Autran De Morais immigration debacle in Houston in last week's issue. Sadly, it has only reinforced what I have already known for a long time; immigrants in the U.S. are vulnerable. No matter the immigrant—those that possess visas, those with legal permanent residency, and especially those that are undocumented—one wrong move and you are potentially housed in a private prison.

I know of which I speak. I consider my extended and immediate family as being of mixed immigration status and they too are exposed. What is mixed immigration status? It means that in a family household with an immigrant history you can have a U.S. citizen that is married to a person with a visa, that has a child that is undocumented, who has a sibling that is U.S. born. This is a mixed immigration status family. And they

are all vulnerable to an insatiable immigration system that detains first, locks you up for a period of time, and then asks questions later. Sad but true, as I have witnessed.

Let us remember one of the most welcoming and iconic symbols of the United States—the Statue of Liberty

Give me your tired, your poor, Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free; The wretched refuse of your teeming shore, Send these, the homeless, Tempest-tossed to me I lift my lamp beside the golden door!

Lady Liberty's lamp has been on dimmer mode for far too long.

It is time to move that dimmer switch to the on position that controls Lady Liberty's lamp and let it shine bright and show us the path of healing, unity, and reconciliation.

LETTER FROM **ANONYMOUS**



10/8 - 10/14

Wednesday: Pork Meatballs with Arrabiata Sauce*, Cajun Catfish Sandwich, Vegetarian Pasta. Soups: Navy Bean and Minestrone.

Thursday: Hawaiian Eggs Benedict, Chef's Choice Salmon, Risotto Primavera*. Soups: Chicken and Matzoball, and Creamy Parsnip*.

Friday: Chef's Choice

Monday: Poached Salmon with Citrus Beurre Blanc*, Grilled Pork Chop with Apple Chutney*, Spinach and Caramelized Onion Quiche. Soups: Chicken Noodle and Potato Leek*.

Tuesday: Chicken Massaman Curry with Steamed Rice*, Meatloaf with Bourbon Cream Sauce, Eggplant Parmesan. Soups: Chili Mac, and Cream of Onion*.

Items denoted with a * are gluten-free

Monday-Friday 10 a.m.-1:15 p.m.

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Correction: On page 12 of last week's edition a caption was printed incorrectly. It was meant to appear: Education in Albany began in 1851 at Albany's first school, which was ran by the town doctor, R.C. Hill. Albany Union High School, which would become West Albany High, was founded in 1953. South Albany High was added in 1970.

CAMPUS BULLETIN

Oct. 8, noon. There is a free scholarship workshop for students interested in money to help pay for school. It will take place in Calapooia Center Room 203.

Oct. 9, 11:30 a.m. The Horticulture Club will be holding a Farmer's Market in the courtyard. This occurs every Thursday.

Oct. 9, noon. There is a free scholarship workshop for students interested in money to help pay for school. It will take place in Calapooia Center Room 203.

Oct. 10, noon. The GSA will have a fundrasier outside of the Hot Shot Cafe.

Oct. 10, 6 p.m. The LBCC Roadrunners will be holding their first home game during Fall Term. They will be playing Umpqua CC, it is also Dig Pink night. Admission is free for students.

Oct. 14, 6:30 a.m. There will be a blood draw for cholesterol and glucose screenings held in the Activities Center Room 122. Cost is \$10, if this is your second screening it will be \$20.

Oct. 14, 5 p.m. If you are not registered to vote in the State of Oregon you must register by this date if you wish to vote in this year's midterm election.

Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

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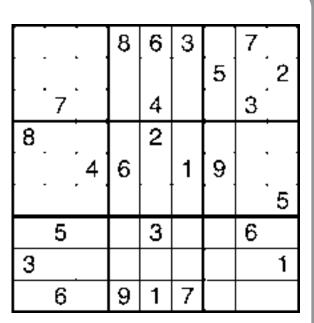
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SOLUTION TO LAST EDITION'S PUZZLE

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Complete the grid so each row. column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk



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The Oregon Duck mascot crowd surfing.

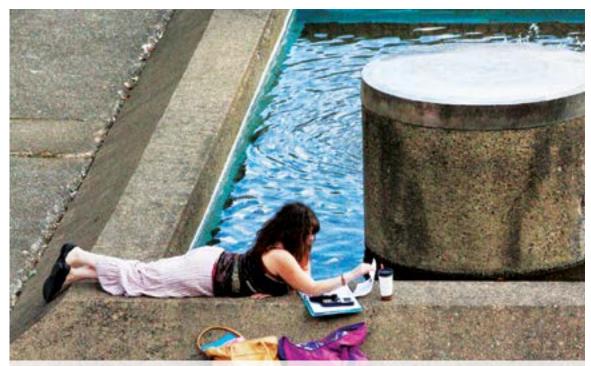


PHOTO: MITCHELL KEYS

Christine Johnson relaxes by the courtyard fountain while studying for a class.



PHOTO: MITCHELL KEYS Paola Gonzalez helps students register to vote.

Рното Journalism

Photojournalism classes, taught by Rob Priewe, give students the chance to learn how to compose, edit, and caption digital photos. The class focuses on taking photos around campus, capturing student life and activities, and presenting them in class to tell a story.

Photojournalism supports news reporting by presenting images with current events. The intent of reporting using photography is to enhance a story with compelling, honest images that have minimal alterations.

This featured photo spread are Editor's picks from the fall term students' blogs.



PHOTO: ANDREW GILLETTE Thomas Tyner returns a kickoff.



PHOTO: JOE HEFTY Kyle Fawaz plays guitar for his friends.



PHOTO: MITCHELL KEYS

LBCC staff host a weekly BBQ in the courtyard.



PHOTO: CHRIS TROTCHIE Midori Cruikshank soaks up a few early fall rays.



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