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## Skills contest draws 700 high school students

Annual event hosted by LBCC tests students from three counties in skills ranging from culinary arts to arc welding

By Nikki Degerstrom  
Of The Commuter

From 15 high schools in Linn, Benton and Lincoln counties, 700 students met at LBCC on Saturday, Feb. 27, to compete in the annual Regional High Schools Skills Conference.

The skills conference was sponsored by LBCC, the Linn-Benton Education Service, area businesses and community members.

The students competed for titles in over 50 individual and team academic and vocational areas from child care and culinary arts to electronics and science skills.

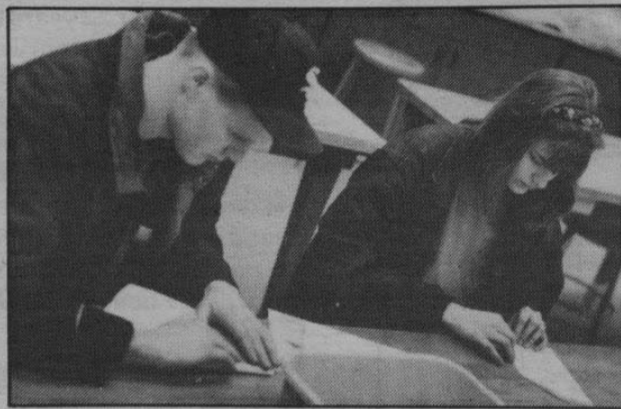
For overall participation, Lebanon Union High placed first in Division I—a title Lebanon has won 10 times in the last 11 years. South Albany High School claimed second and West Albany took third.

Sweet Home High placed first in Division II, followed by Philomath High School in second and Newport High School in third.

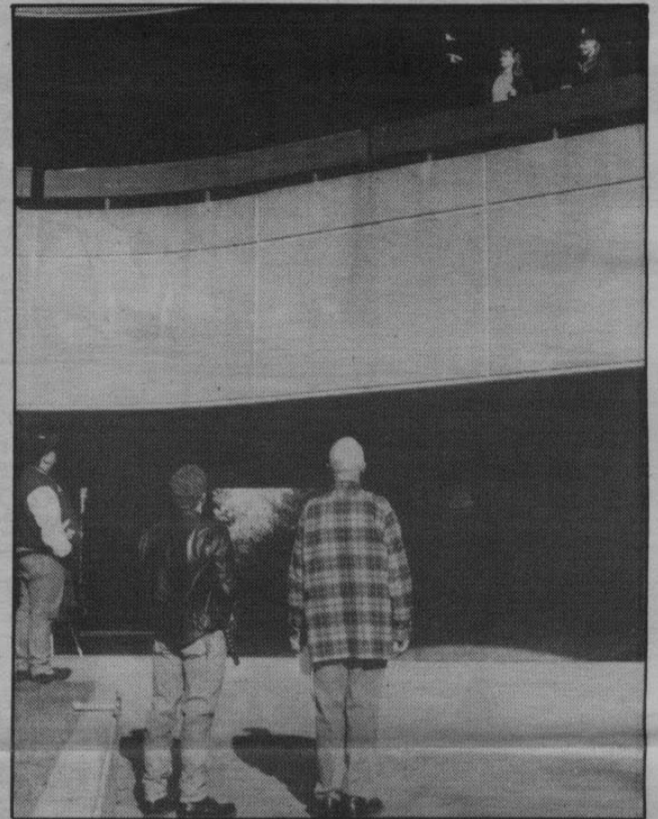
Harrisburg High captured first place in Division

III for the fifth consecutive year.

The largest contest, Business Education and Marketing, was divided into such categories as accounting, office procedures and keyboarding. Other competitions included photography, welding, auto repair, computer science, drafting, and math.



Richard Olsen and Betsie Winney from Alsea High School fold paper airplanes (above) and then launch their craft from the courtyard balcony (right) as part of the Physical Science competition Saturday at LBCC. Students were given paper clips, scissors, glue, string, tape and paper, and were assigned to make any object that will stay aloft the longest.



Photos by S.E. Strahan

## State may adopt toughest drunk-driving laws in nation

By Dave Bishop  
Of The Commuter

Three measures currently pending before the Oregon State Legislature will test the state's resolve in dealing with motor vehicle drivers operating under the influence of alcohol and other drugs.

Senate Bill 94 proposes the reduction of the legal blood-alcohol limit to .04 percent.

If approved, the measure would become the strictest DUII legislation in the nation.

Oregon is currently joined by only four other states in establishing a legal blood-alcohol limit of .08 percent. All other states set the legal limit at .10 percent.

"There is a move throughout the nation to lower the legal blood-alcohol ratios for motor vehicle operators," said Lieutenant Charles Hayes, Albany Station Commander of the Oregon State Police.

"National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) studies indicate that blood-alcohol concentrations of .04 percent have perceptible effects on average people," continued Hayes.

**"I lost my little brother and my best friend to drunken drivers. They died in wrecks two weeks apart. They weren't accident victims. They were murdered."**

Standards set by the US Department of Transportation classify the scope of perceptible effects ranging from a slightly impaired judgement to a complete inability to control a motor vehicle.

"The proposed .04 standard may sound too con-

servative to some; however, the national standard for commercial carriers, tractor-trailer and truck drivers is .04 percent," said Hayes. "Aligning to the new level would simply standardize the law for all drivers."

A suggested modification to Senate Bill 94 recommends that the level of blood-alcohol for drunken driving be .06 percent now and .04 percent in the year 2000.

The second proposed measure, House Bill 2002, would redefine the state's implied consent law to include urine tests. The bill, sponsored by the Oregon State Police, would be used to detect the presence of other drugs.

"We are seeing an increase in the number of drivers mixing drugs with alcohol," said Hayes, "The results have been devastating."

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## Commuter staff scoops three awards at regional competition

By Jack Josewski  
Of The Commuter

Commuter Managing Editor Tricia Lafrance and Photo Editor Linda Wallace won three awards in the Pacific Northwest Women in Communications competition this year.

Lafrance received two Awards of Excellence—one in feature writing for a story about one woman's struggle with depression and suicide, and another for in-depth reporting for a piece about a Corvallis rape victim. The articles appeared in The



Tricia Lafrance

Commuter last December and January, respectively.

Wallace received an Award of Merit in photography for a photo essay on some of the college's hands-on vocational programs that The Commuter ran last December.

The competition was open to full or part-time students from the states of Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington. Community college students competed alongside those from four-year colleges and state universities.

The Women in Communications Competition is in its



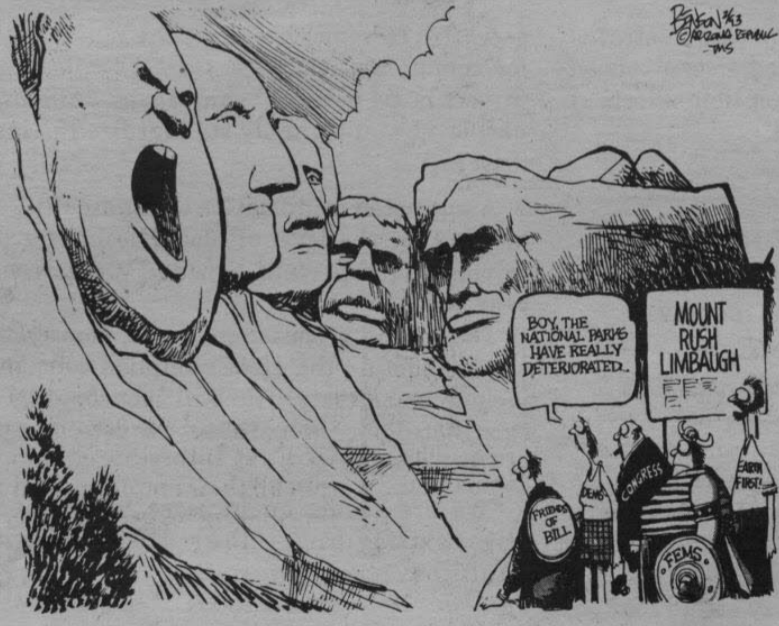
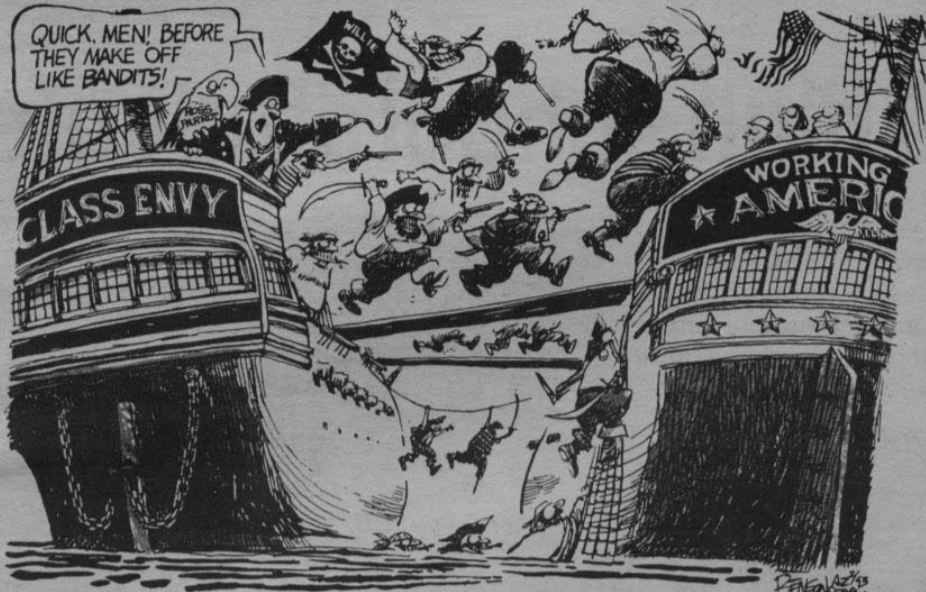
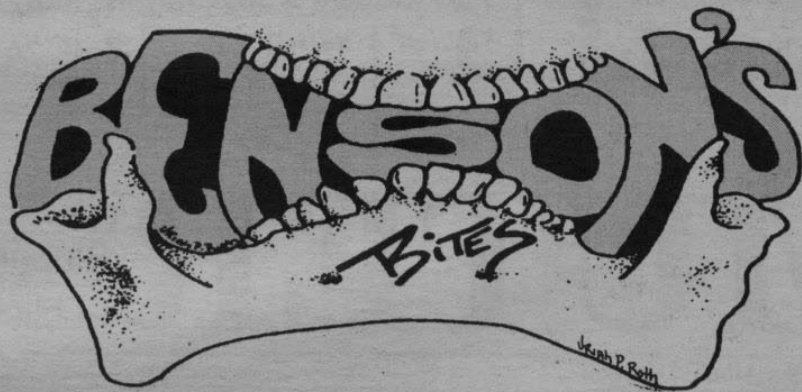
Linda Wallace

13th year and recognizes women with outstanding talent in the fields of newspaper, photography, magazine, radio, television and advertising/public relations.

The awards will be presented at the Pacific Northwest Regional meeting of Women in Communications held in Seattle on March 13.

"We've had people win awards of merit before in this competition, but have never had, as far as I know, two first place writing awards in the same year," commented Rich Bergeman, LBCC's instructor of journalism and photography. "I think that Tricia's two stories were particularly well-researched and written. Linda's photo page was also very strong. It's not the only good photo essay she's put together this year, and I don't expect it will be the last."

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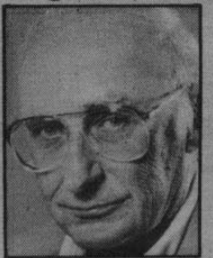


Proof that Hitler Didn't Die in His Bunker



Policy logic a lot of bull

Royko Fabian is never going to win any blue ribbons in a dog show. For one thing, he's not purebred. He's mostly Rhodesian Ridgeback, but due to an ancestor's romantic indiscretion, there's a bit of Staffordshire terrier mixed in.



mike royko

And there's his dental problem. When he was young, he chomped too hard on a bone and broke off four of his front teeth. Fortunately, dogs don't smile or he'd be quite a sight.

None of these flaws bother his owners, Helen and John Theodosakis. Fabian, 9, is a good mutt. He's playful, loyal, barks at sounds in the night and can look ferocious, even with the gaps in his teeth.

But he's never bitten or gummed anyone, and probably wouldn't, unless it was a stranger coming through a window.

Mostly he roams around the Theodosakis' spacious grounds in the Chicago suburb of Bannockburn, chasing squirrels, sniffing the ground and coming in for a nap with the cats.

In other words, your run-of-the-mill family dog.

Or so the Theodosakis thought. Recently, they learned that they were wrong.

A letter came from the company that has provided their home owner's insurance for 22 years telling them that their coverage was being canceled.

That was a surprise because in all those years they had never filed a claim.

Reading the letter closely, they found the reasons for nonrenewal: "Due to increased liability exposure of vicious dog (pit bull) in home."

Which meant Fabian, with the gaps in his front teeth. "When I read that, I remembered," said Mrs. Theodosakis. "Last year, they sent a questionnaire and it had a question about pets. I put down Rhodesian Ridgeback with a trace of American Staffordshire terrier, which people call pit bulls. I guess I was too honest and shouldn't have told them that. I guess I should have lied."

**"You don't look like a pit bull owner. Where are your chains and leather and tattoos?"**

I guess Mrs. Theodosakis is right.

When she told me about the canceled insurance, I found it hard to believe. Is she sure the dog never chomped a neighbor's kid?

"Absolutely. We have 17 acres, and he never leaves the property. Sure, he's large and looks fierce, but he's never bitten anyone in his life."

The suburb's police chief confirmed it. "I asked my men. They've never noticed the dog, and we've never had a bite report or any kind of complaint."

A call to the Great American Insurance Companies in Cincinnati brought an odd response. Terry Maley, a spokeswoman for the company, laughed heartily and said: "That's the first time I've ever heard anything so amusing."

Well, we try to amuse, but is there an explanation for canceling this policy?

Laughing again, she said: "I really can't comment. I'm the highest level you are going to get, and there will be no comment. It is company policy."

(And it is my policy to print idiotic responses from corporate ninnyes.)

So I called an expert on pit bulls, Carol Gaines-Stephens, head of the National American Pit Bull Terrier Association, in Vancouver, Wash.

And it turns out that pit bull phobia still exists in this country.

You probably remember reading stories a few years ago about pit bull terriers. If a dog that even resembled a pit bull growled at someone, it became hysterical news.

Dog experts kept explaining that pit bulls are no meaner than other dogs. If treated decently, they are fine pets. Because some morons raise them to be vicious fighting dogs, the whole breed got a bum rap. With enough abuse, a miniature French poodle can be turned into a weapon.

But apparently insurance companies choose not to believe this.

As Ms. Gaines-Stephens, the pit bull expert, said: "It's nationwide, and it's gotten out of hand. Insurance companies send questionnaires asking what breed of dog you have. People don't realize that if they put down American pit bull terrier or American Staffordshire terrier or anything with the words 'pit' or 'bull,' their policies may get canceled."

The state of Washington is even thinking of banning certain breeds. I have seven pit bulls, but there are some places where you can't even drive through town with one of my dogs or they'll be confiscated.

"It's ridiculous. This is a breed that is a real loving, devoted dog. It just wants to please its owner. They obey like you wouldn't believe. But when I walk my dogs, people ask what they are and when I tell them, they say things like: 'You don't look like a pit bull owner. Where are your chains and leather and tattoos?'"

Pit bulls are even blamed for things that other dogs do. "Boxers and other shorthaired dogs are called pit bulls. I've been training dogs for years, so I was asked by a pound to take a look at a mean dog they said was a pit bull. It turned out to be a pure Labrador retriever."

So let's consider this a consumer affairs column. And my advice is this: If your insurance company sends you a questionnaire, tell them, yes, you own a pet. A parakeet, but it only attacks on command.

## opinion forum

## How long do honeymoons last?

The new Clinton administration in Washington is starting to stick its toes into the water and seems to be enjoying more popularity than most of the previous administrations at this stage of the game.

People are unusually up-beat and positive about the job the new leaders in Washington say they want to do. In short, the honeymoon is on and the action is hot and heavy.

While I'm hoping for the best from the new Clinton game plan, I had a disturbing feeling the other day.

While watching one of the network news stations, I saw the well-publicized footage of former President George Bush making his now famous "read my lips, no new taxes" statement. Now, as we all know, this piece of film footage found plenty of playing time during the last presidential election, thanks to the Democratic Clinton camp, of course.

The disturbing part was that immediately following the showing of that historic film clip came another clip, this time showing candidate Bill Clinton assuring the would-be Clinton voters he would not raise taxes on the American middle class.

Hard to believe? Not really.

I think most of us are used to political leaders saying one thing and doing another. Or of having one set of standards for the "average American" and another set of standards for themselves. A perfect example is the now-grown-cold house banking scandal.

This week President Clinton unveiled his latest plan for us, the American college student.

The new plan is to design a program in which college

## editorial

graduates can work off part of their government student loans by doing community service work or paying back a "small percentage of their incomes" on student loans. Although not many details have been released about the program yet, the president proposes to start the new "New Deal" with 15 million bucks used to create 1,000 jobs. That's \$15,000 per job created.

Now, if it only takes spending 15,000 clams for the government to whip up a job for a citizen, why haven't we done this before now?

Suppose, the newly created job payed \$15,000 per year. Who's going to pay the salary for the second year? Or the third? Another disturbing question?

And what about the college student who wants to work off part of his or her student loan? President Clinton talks about putting college graduates to work in jobs such as policework or community health. I wonder how my neighbor the policeman feels about this plan? Or the lady across the street who works as a medical receptionist?

And although it sounds good that I'll be able to work off my college loans, the reason I'm going to college is so I don't have to work at menial jobs paying \$4.75 per hour.

In short, I'm going to college so I can get a life. If I wanted to pick up garbage along the road, dig ditches or paint crosswalks downtown, I'd be out doing that already, instead of going to college.

I'm not saying the honeymoon is over between the Clinton administration and I.

But I think the bus is about to pull out of Niagra Falls and head back to Washington real soon.

## Liz's lobby for violence against flag burners 'spits in the face of their constitutional rights'

By Tony Lystra  
Of The Commuter

On August 22, 1984, Gregory Lee Johnson committed a crime. During the Republican National Convention in Dallas, Johnson dropped to his knees and set an American flag ablaze.

The flag twisted and writhed as the flames kissed each fiber and sent a narrow column of smoke above the heads of those who watched.

Johnson was later convicted of "Desecration of a Venerated Object," fined \$2,000 and sentenced to a year in the slammer. The smoke that rose from Johnson's flag sent a signal to the American public: "Beware! Your freedom of speech and expression are in danger!"

Although the U.S. Supreme Court ultimately ruled that Johnson's conviction violated the First Amendment, it failed to establish that banning flag burning is unconstitutional. Shouldn't it be obvious that banning someone's fundamental right of expression is wrong and stupid?

Apparently not. Politicians have

followed the Court's ambiguous lead. 1989 saw the issue fiercely debated in Washington. Former President Bush, who had just ridden "Old Glory" into office like a magic carpet, called for a constitutional amendment that would ban desecrating an American flag altogether. Bush's proposal would have been the first time in history that the American Bill of Rights would have been amended. Democrats and Republicans alike butted heads on the issue and when the dust had cleared, not a single piece of legislation had been enacted to ban or protect a citizen's right to torch an American flag.

Good! Our government got all of this silly business of debating whether or not Americans have rights that were granted to them more than 200 years ago out of its system, right?

Wrong! Oregon State Representative Liz VanLeeuwen decided that more than a year of senseless debating in Washington wasn't enough fun for one decade. She wanted in on the fun, too.

VanLeeuwen has proposed a bill that would lessen the penalty for someone who beats a demonstrator to a wet, slippery pulp, so long as that

demonstrator is desecrating an Oregon or American flag in public.

The bill reads: ". . .The penalty for assault in the fourth degree is a fine of \$25 if the person against whom the assault was committed was burning, destroying or desecrating the flag of the state of Oregon, or the flag of the United States of America in public at the time the assault was committed.

Hey folks, here's an idea! If we can't get people we don't agree with to shut up by constitutional means, let's just make it virtually legal to beat the crap out of them. Somebody should yank this woman out of her legislative seat.

Folks seem to be under the impression that if they allow "crazy, rabble rousers" to destroy a prominent American symbol, our nation will come apart at the seams. In their paranoia, they have spit in the face of their constitutional rights.

We don't have to like what someone is saying when they light up our national symbol. We do need to respect their freedom of expression. Paying \$25 to punch someone in the face isn't respect.

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## When opportunity calls, light up

So, I was at work last night, down at the good old Arnold Brothers Coffee House in scenic downtown

poet's corner  
chuck skinner

Corvallis, across the street from Arnie's Herb House and the warehouse district. (I assume it's the warehouse district. There's only one warehouse in town.)

I was up in the office, reading the new announcements (Espresso now gets--three--squeezes!) when I ran across an edict from our big boss, Arnold. In an effort to upscale the place, and destroy the original "Euro Coffee House" atmosphere he had created, he had torn down the bench in front of the store, removed half the bulletin board space and banned any smoking inside. That last bit might have something to do with ORS, but even Burger Thing had a smoking section last I knew.

Anyway, back to the edict. It dealt with employee smoking—apparently Arnold has taken a sudden drastic interest in his employees' health and has created a new policy to deal with this. While on duty, an employee may not smoke on store property. This made perfect nonsense, and I could deal with this. If an employee got sent off the property to do something, they deserved a fag.

There was a second part, which was what caught my attention. According to the new policy, off-duty employees could not smoke in front of the store. Now, according to my business lawyer, Cory J. Frye I, a business owner has no business regulating an employee's behavior when the employee is off duty. Even if the employer is very interested in aforesaid employee's health.

I see this setting some unpleasant trends—the school districts informing off-duty teachers that they can't watch "Studs" because the district is concerned for their mental well-being, maybe. Or First Interstate making certain all their employees eat three servings of vegetables, so that they get the prerequisite of fibre in their diet. Or even a mandatory seat belt law.

After my momentary shudder, I read on. A related article, and informational snippet from the front desk, indicated that any smokers wishing to quit smoking would receive \$100—\$50 when they started, and \$50 when they had stayed "smoke free in the workplace" for three months. I looked and looked, but saw no cash bonuses for workers who had forgotten to start smoking. SOL, campers, should've lit your Luckies when you had the chance.

Now, \$100 is a lot of money to me, so I decided to take a ride down Tobacco Road into Marlboro Country. I started smoking this morning.

I figure it'll be easy to quit.

## local news

# Enraged artist protests white culture

An OSU art student desecrates the American flag to illustrate dynamic and controversial images of hate, racism and violence

By Trista Bush  
Of The Commuter

"In Memory of Ron Hirsch," a controversial art exhibit on the OSU campus, was inspired by an encounter the student artist had as a youngster.

"He (Hirsch) was a boyhood friend who at age 15, and I'm 13, came up to me and said, 'Why don't you go back to where you came from, you dirty Indian!'"

"And that changed my life!"

That moment was the beginning of a lifelong consciousness for artist Emery Parish. From then on, Parish, a Tlingit (Klingkit) Indian, realized he was not a part of the "White American" culture.

Twenty-five years of dealing with his anger and pain has led Parish to create one of the most controversial art exhibits in the history of OSU. It opened last month in Fairbanks Hall, and was then moved to Horner Museum because of the attention it drew. Parish dismantled it last week, and now hopes the five pieces can be shown somewhere in Portland.

Parish said he wants the art to reach more people affected by racism.

"For Whites Only," the piece that Parish said has evoked the most intense response from viewers, includes an African American being lynched. The figure is wrapped in a bloodied American flag and rusty barbed wire.

Parish, in the text that went with the piece, said, "the American flag bound over the human body speaks to the fact Americans have killed countless millions of people

world-wide." The barbed wire was used because of its function. Farmers use it to corral animals, here it symbolizes the oppression of a whole race of people and a free man's will to live."

Parish has strong feelings about the flag in politics, and he disagrees strongly with the bill currently being sponsored by state Representative Liz VanLeeuwen of Halsey. The bill would make the penalties for fourth degree assault less when the attacker is accused of assaulting anyone who is desecrating, destroying or burning the American flag.

"Hitler killed over six million Jews based on their ethnic background. The United States government works the same way. Orders from at least three United States presidents demanded the extinction of certain 'savage' Indian groups. These orders are kept on file at the Smithsonian Museum," Parish said.

"I wanted to create a forum of discussion," added the OSU junior. "I created an exhibit that was strong enough to shake people by their lapels."

Parish said the response he's received from members of

the university community has been 95 percent supportive, but reaction from the residents of the local area has been only about 70 percent supportive, with many expressing anger over his use of the flag. He attributes the lower community support to lack of education, and said he feels that people need to be open to re-learning old ideas.

There's also been a more serious criticism from some people, according to Parish, including a bomb threat phoned in to the OSU Art Department. In addition, the American Front, a white-supremist group, left business cards pinned to the text pages that go with each piece of the exhibit.

According to Parish, this is just another indication that "racism is alive and well today."

Parish said his next exhibit will probably deal with the way society treats women and children. He added that he wants to include abortion as a topic in the exhibit.

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Photo by Donna King

Approximately 1,000 people a week will visit the lambing barns at the OSU farms near Corvallis to see lambs such as these born. Multiple births are quite common among sheep as shown by this proud mother of triplets.

## Barns at Oregon State offer children and adults real life biology lesson

OSU Sheep Center offers the public a close-up view of the miracle of birth—farm style

By Trista Bush  
Of The Commuter

Now that spring is sprung, the public is being invited to the annual lambing season at the OSU Sheep Center south of Corvallis.

The barn's lambing season, which runs from early February to the last Friday in March, is popular among school children and families.

"We get preschool, school age and families," said Bob Klinger. "About 1,000 visitors a week."

According to Klinger, visitors are welcome all daylight hours to view the lambing.

It usually takes about 30 minutes to witness the parturition, or the pro-

cess of being born, to the first nursing by the lamb, depending on the size and number of the ewe's newborn lambs.

Multiple births are very common in the centers' ewes, which are producing, on average, 240 percent. That means, on average, 2.4 lambs are born to each ewe.

The 350 ewes housed at the center are being used in research projects. Currently the center is conducting an evaluation study of crossbreeds and two studies on the testing and treatment of mastitis, which is a big problem for sheep producers, according to Klinger.

The center is also looking for buyers for bummer lambs, or orphans. The male bummer lambs are sold for \$15 and the females for \$20 female.

Information on buying bummer lambs is available from the OSU Sheep Center at 737-2903

### news briefs

#### Salem Art Association's Bush Barn Art Center

The Art Center will celebrate its re-opening with a reception for two new exhibitions on March 5, from 5-9 p.m. The exhibits "Reflective Environments" and "Rich Bergeman-Photography" will run March 5-28.

The reception and exhibitions are open to the public free of charge. It is located in Bush's Pasture Park off Mission, High and Bush streets in downtown Salem, phone 581-2228, for more information.

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## local news

## Corvallis shelter for homeless men would provide haven

By Tony Lystra  
Of The Commuter

A group of Corvallis citizens has proposed that the city provide a haven for homeless men on state owned property—perhaps even in a city park.

Former City Council member Ed Donnally proposed the shelter to a Corvallis Parks and Recreation board at a Feb. 23 meeting in the Chintimini Senior Center. The board voted to postpone any action to implement the shelter while the City Council considers the issue.

"I'm pleased with the moral support we're getting, but I'm displeased that a stronger position on the issue was not taken," Donnally said. The board's present stance may be the result of a few community members' opposition to the shelter project. He said that several Corvallis citizens attended the meeting to express concerns regarding public safety.

"I don't know why they (homeless men) would be any more of a threat when they are in one concentrated area rather than spread around town," Donnally said. He said that he thinks those opposed to the project have a sort of "not in my backyard" mentality. They don't want to concern themselves with the problem because they attribute problems like these to other communities, he said.

Donnally said he can't blame the board for rejecting the proposal at this point. Given the intense opposition from some citizens, "It would be suicide to instigate the project without support," he said.

Parks Director Rene Moyer said that safety is a key issue in deciding whether the proposed shelter will become a reality. He cited examples of brawls between as many as four homeless men. "There has been a history of violence between homeless people," he said.

Moyer said that some community members requested that the shelter be

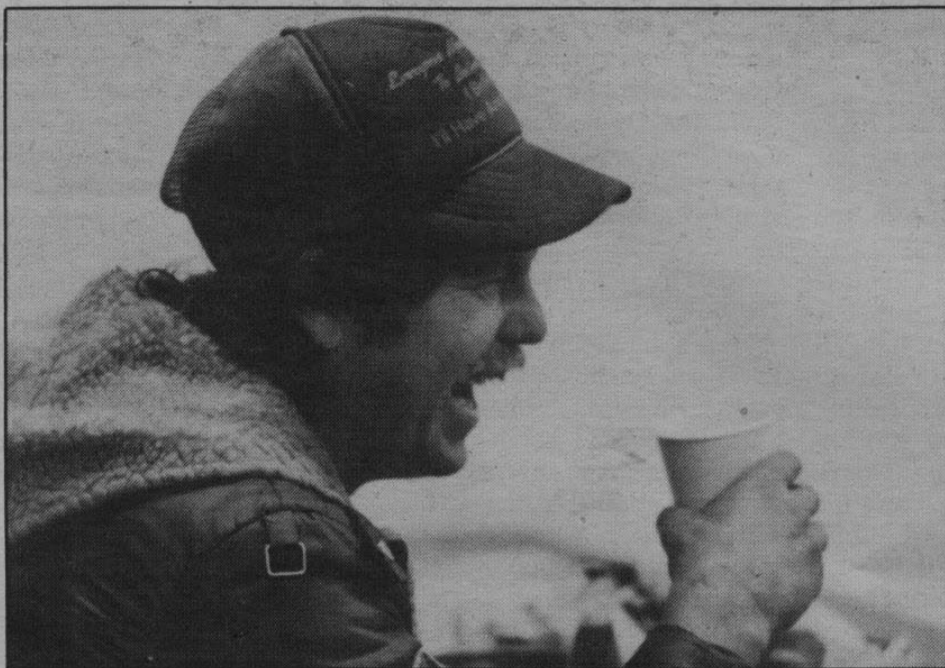


Photo by Micky Shannon-Monroe

Gillette P. "Butch" Rowland Jr. enjoys a cup of coffee and conversation at the Corvallis Foursquare Church, where breakfast is served daily from 7:30-8:30 a.m. to the homeless.

nowhere near downtown area bike paths. "There was some concern from citizens who don't feel safe in the area already. This (a shelter near the paths) would make them feel less safe," he said.

According to Moyer, the city attorney expressed concern that if an injury occurred at the shelter, the city could be liable. Moyer said that the city might avoid liability by carefully monitoring the site.

The project has proposed four possible sites where a shelter could be erected, Moyer said. The list includes Alan B. Berg Regional Park, a site near the BMX track in South Corvallis, and two areas in Pioneer Park. Moyer said that some citizens were concerned for the safety of children using the BMX track. Others were upset at the notion of a haven for the homeless placed in a city park.

Donnally argues that a place where homeless men won't be harassed would

be safer than interspersing them around the community.

"The situation in Corvallis at the moment is that if a homeless person is under a bush or bridge, they are trespassing on public land. It's bad for the community, it's bad for the police who have to shine flashlights in the eyes of sleeping homeless people and it's bad for the homeless who are constantly harassed and moved from place to place," he said.

According to Donnally, between ten and twenty homeless men are sleeping under bridges and hiding out in bushy areas near Good Samaritan Hospital. He said that the homeless men around Corvallis are unique in that they have not headed south for warmer weather like so many other homeless individuals do in the winter.

"These people have been in Corvallis for 10-20 years. The guys who've stuck it out here have been pretty determined. These people have been here

and they're going to stay here whether we help them or not."

Due to the hardcore nature of the homeless men in Corvallis, Donnally said something similar to a tent city might be more appropriate than a permanent structure. Some homeless men have made a conscious decision to live outdoors, he said, they may be reluctant to sleep under one roof with twenty other people.

Donnally aimed the project primarily at homeless men because "they have slipped through the social service net." He said that shelters such as Saint Mary's Church in Albany often don't care for homeless men who are under the influence of chemicals. Donnally wants to provide men with a safe place to sleep regardless of their condition.

He said that the shelter would probably make exceptions for families who needed a temporary place to stay, but expressed concern that single women sleeping at the site may complicate the situation.

"There are other social services to help women and children," he said. "Women and children tend to get more sympathy from social workers than the men we're dealing with."

Donnally would like to see alcohol and drug addiction treatment offered to the men staying at the proposed shelter, but he would rather make information regarding those services available to those who ask. He maintains that the primary purpose of the site is to provide a safe haven from the harassment that homeless people often experience.

He did mention plans to provide medical treatment. According to Donnally, Dr.'s James Riley and Craig Leman are searching for a site where they can treat homeless men.

Donnally will present a written shelter proposal to the City Council on March 8. "I'm just one poor guy trying to get something done," he said.

## Legislature ponders DUII proposals

Under current implied consent provisions, Oregon drivers agree to submit to a breath test if arrested for driving under the influence of intoxicants.

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The third pending measure, House Bill 2736, proposes that police be allowed to conduct blood-alcohol tests when breath-testing equipment is not readily available.

"The most conclusive evidence in a DUII arrest is the blood-alcohol test," said Hayes, "It's most likely to prove either innocence or guilt."

Although Oregon observes and enforces some of the nation's most stringent drunken driving laws in the nation, alcohol continues to play a considerable role in traffic deaths. The state's

most recent statistics are for 1991 and show that 230 of the Oregon's 482 highway deaths were alcohol related.

According to the NHTSA, approximately half of the country's traffic fatalities are alcohol-related. The administration estimates that two of every five Americans will be involved in an alcohol-related traffic accident in their lifetimes, and that one of these two will die as a result of the accident.

The impact of alcohol-related traffic accidents extends beyond those physically involved. One LBCC student, asking to remain anonymous, confided, "I lost my little brother and my best friend to drunken drivers. They died in wrecks two weeks apart. They weren't accident victims. They were murdered."

## President Carnahan to 'jam' with students

"Jam with the President," an opportunity for students to speak with College President Jon Carnahan personally, is being planned for March 10, at noon.

It will be held in the Willamette Room in the College Center building. Hot dogs are being offered at the low

price of 35 cents each or three for a buck. Punch and chips will be provided free of charge.

As with the last "Jam," open discussion is encouraged and welcomed. Please bring your questions with you. The event is sponsored by the ASLBCC.

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## The whole truth and nothing but the truth . . . NOT!

By Cory Frye  
Of The Commuter

This morning, after a first night of real REM sleep in a long time, God blessed me with the gift of THE TRUTH. I don't know; maybe it was the gaucho cookies or the waves I received from the warm glow of Baby Irene singing "Animal Crackers" off-key on "Fernwood 2-Night." All I know is that I possess THE TRUTH—not just a truth, but THE TRUTH. You know what it is; it consists of all the answers to every possible question or status.

And I have it. You don't. Ha ha ha. Pppplllll!

We'll unravel THE TRUTH right now, starting with your friends and mine, the Oregon Citizen's Alliance, manned by the evil Dr. Mabon and his cohorts of holy-rolling, mind-controlling, Bible-thumping geriatric brain zombies.

As you know, we accuse them of promoting hate. This is not so. They're only guilty of shoving, nee cramming, their beliefs down the throats of unwilling recipients. And is that such a crime? I think not.

THE TRUTH reveals that they're not human beings. They're tomato plants. They were planted in Alabama soil around June of 1978 in a top-secret government project. They were watered every

morning with tobacco juice and testosterone injections and grew into adulthood in 1990. From Alabama they were bused to Oregon, where they established residency in Sweet Home in order to take "Backwoods Bible Education" classes, instructed by former Governor candidate Ed Christie, Sr.

Yes, I'll admit it's a bit far-fetched. But it's THE TRUTH.

Here's another shocker: In 1969, Senator Bob Packwood established a secret phone line for his own private use. Unlike most phone lines at the time, Packwood's service could answer 147,000 phone calls simultaneously for a recording of the senator warbling "Are You Lonesome Tonight?" with then-unknown pan flutist Zamfir. This was to become the first 1-900 number in telephone history.

In fact, Mr. Packwood can still be enticed after a few beers to sing, "Now the stage is bare and I'm standing there" to bars full of screaming honky-tonk women. He can still do a pretty good karate kick, too—the sexist bastard.

TRUTH #3: Country music sucks. Well, I think we all knew that.

TRUTH #4: The recognized notion that Lee

Harvey Oswald killed President John F. Kennedy is a falsehood spread by hushed government officials. It was newsman David Brinkley who pulled the trigger, desperate for a news item for his NBC news magazine. An obviously shaken Chet Huntley had to wipe the bloodstains from Brinkley's jacket seconds before airtime. Huntley, as is known throughout the world, was a closet homosexual who shared an apartment with FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover throughout most of the 1930s.

And there you have it—the truths I awoke with this morning. No one can face any of these, as is evident throughout the world as we ignore everybody while we point fingers at each other: "You're nothing but a racist, sexist, liberal, conservative, closed-minded, stupid, anal-retentive, politically correct, smart-assed, unfeeling, hate-mongering waterpile of amphibian vomit and I want you dead."

We're surrounded by Raci\$m and Sexi\$m; we can't tell the difference between the genuine gripe or the money- and/or excuse-driven whine. Some people argue that we have finally been awakened to the real problems of society. I say we've just closed our eyes harder to blot it all out.

And that, my friends, is the REAL TRUTH.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## MISCELLANEOUS

Child care help for LBCC students. Call for free help choosing quality care; referrals to family child care, centers, after-school care and preschool programs; access to parent education and family resources. 967-6501.

Attention all Phi Theta Kappa members. Please attend the next meeting: March 5 at noon in the Boardrooms A&B.

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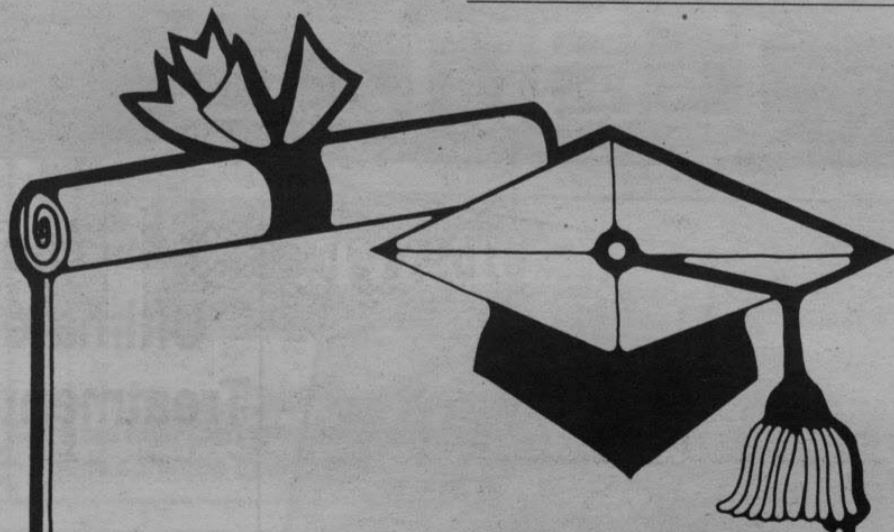
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The ceremony will be held on June 10, 1993

sports

## Sports Shorts

### 3 on 3 basketball

A Linn-Benton 3 on 3 basketball league with advanced and intermediate levels for mens and womens teams is scheduled to begin. A five member board comprised of players will reserve the right to assign teams to advanced and intermediate play to ensure fairness and competitiveness.

Participants are required to be actively enrolled LB students. There will be a limit of only one varsity basketball player per team. Each team will be allowed a four player roster, with the option to rotate players. Players not on a team's roster will not be allowed to compete for that team. Roster changes can be made to the original application if completed by April 2, 1993.

Play will take place on April 10 and 17 and May 1 and 8 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. League play will consist of a running tally of wins and losses over the first three Saturdays and a seeded championship tourney on the final day.

### Baseball skills class

A baseball skills development class will be held on March 2, 5, 9, 12, 13, and 16 from 6-to 8 p.m. at the LB Activities Center. The course reference number is 31675. The cost is \$16.50, plus a \$10 lab fee to be paid at registration. The instructor is Rick George.

## Price wraps up LB hoop career

By Sandra Schones  
Of The Commuter

Many people find it difficult to choose between price and quality. Fortunately, for the past two seasons, Linn-Benton basketball fans haven't had to.

Eric Price, a 6-foot-5, 190-pound point guard/forward has proven himself to be a quality athlete.

"Eric is a quality young man, quality player, and quality student," said head coach Randy Falk. "Any success that he's had in the past year or in years to come will be well deserved as well as well earned."

Price ended the season ranked seventh in scoring according to the 30-team Northwest Athletic Association of Community College final statistics. He scored an average of 20.4 points per game by hitting an impressive 58 percent of his field goals and 73 percent of his free throws and also averaged 7.4 rebounds a game.

"I had a goal of averaging 20 points per game or more, and I did," said Price.

Price's highest scoring game was in the Roadrunners' 101-76 victory over visiting Portland. He scored 35 points, converting on 13 of 21 field goal tries, including four of six from 3-point territory.

Price said the win was particularly sweet because he outscored Panther buddy Canaan Chatman, who had 34 points. Chatman, a former Oregon State player, led the NWAACC at 26.6 points per game.

"I was playing against a good friend,"

Price explained.

Price, who hails from Berkeley, California, played very little basketball in high school, because he felt a little intimidated. In fact, he didn't even go out for the basketball team in his freshman and sophomore years of high school.

"I played about three quarters of one season my senior year, he said. "In eleventh grade I sat on the bench."

Although Price has many good recollections of his time spent on the LB hoops squad, his best memory was helping his team win the Gray's Harbor tournament earlier this season. Price was named Most Valuable Player of the tournament.

"I'm looking on to bigger and better things," he said. "I have some real good memories."

Price's next major decision will be where to go next. College recruiters are not making it an easy decision. He has had offers from the University of Puget Sound, Southern California College, Westmont College and the Oregon Institute of Technology. He noted that he is currently leaning towards Puget Sound, in Tacoma, Washington.

Before Price runs off to another college, however, he will be running the bases for the LBCC baseball team this spring. He originally came to Linn-Benton to play baseball.

Price added, "My parents have given me a lot of support. They don't tell me what to do. They just give me a lot of encouraging words."

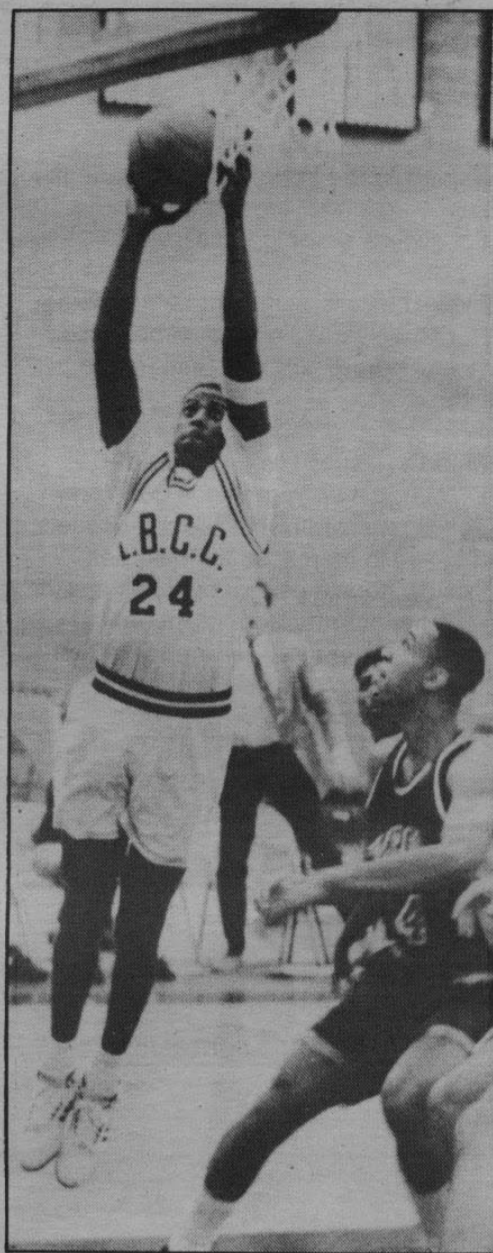


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Linn-Benton's Eric Price goes to the hoop during his final season.

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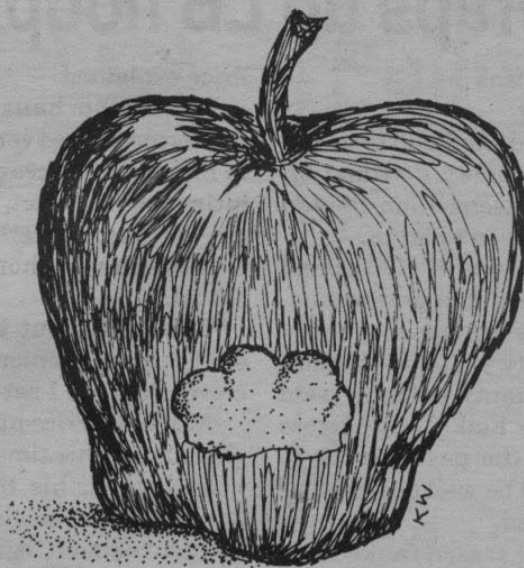
## Solo Soaring

I am Spirit woman- duty free  
Signed by the living God that made me  
I need no longer pay the price  
For sister's sin or kindred's vice

Eve's transgressions are not my own  
Nor Gueniverre's guilt, Jezebel's scorn  
Unhampered, untaxed, unfettered  
I stand

Freed at last by His great hand  
Draped in mercy, gratitude gone ariot  
Grace received I fly in soaring pirouette  
Blessed to merely be-to finally see  
The divine and perfect plan has a place just for me

by Susan Edens



## Suspension Bridge

I enjoy bridges;  
the ones that sway.

We  
net in the middle of a bridge,  
each unwilling to let the other pass.

We glared for a long time.  
Time passed and we shared a mutual smile,  
and a touch.  
We then left together.

by David Sallee

## Haiku for Winter

Frost and Snow reign high,  
Unwilling to leave their throne,  
Spring cries to be born.

by Chris Lancaster

## Patrick

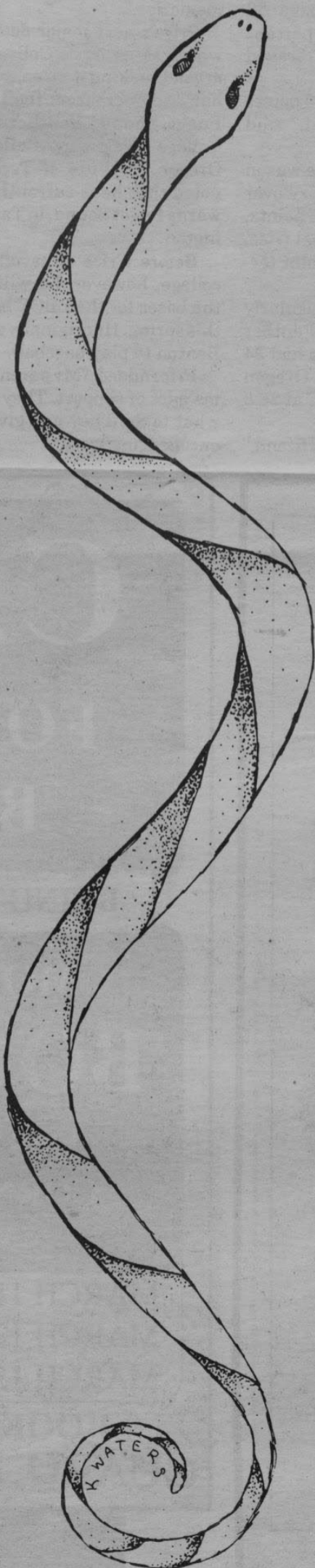
Out of childhood dreams of knights and heroes,  
Through endless nights of passion-filled fantasies,  
After years of clouds, upon mists, upon rains,  
The sunlight is frightening.  
Your existence in the world gave me hope.  
Your love gave me life.  
But, even as a newborn cries his anger at  
being torn from his comfortable prison,  
So, sometimes I lash out, without thought,  
At all you've brought me.  
Even the lowest day with you makes my life before  
Dark by comparison.  
And, when I feel the love in your arms around me,  
In your smile, in your soft gentle ways,  
I know where is nothing we cannot overcome,  
For they are echoed in my heart.

by Chris Lancaster

## Pinball is—

Always advancing.  
Broken bumpers, building bonus.  
Captive balls, clocks, crocs.  
Dangers, death posts, docs.  
Earthquakes, extra balls, energies.  
Fast scoring, flippers, freeways.  
Gigawats, goals, Grave Digging.  
High scores, hopping, home runs.  
Impossible shots, imagination, investments.  
Jokers, jewels, jerks.  
Kickbacks, knockers, klutz.  
Lights, loops, locks.  
Multi-ball, millions, misses.  
Neon, nuclear power values, nuances.  
Oops, oh no, oh boy.  
Pings, parties, pops.  
Quick, quality, quacks.  
Ramps, ricochets, replays.  
Silver spheroids swiftly spinning sideways.  
Terminators, take high scores, tilts.  
Unbelievable, uncontrollable, unusual.  
Video modes, vixens, variables.  
Wipeouts, whirlwinds, white waters.  
X-rays, xenon, xenophobic.  
Yelling, youth oriented, YES!  
Zombie balls, zip, zilch.

by David Sallee



## Alive

Children roaming the wilderness?!  
i ask you of your longing freedom . . .  
and tell you there is none.

We! searching for a shore, longing to adore.  
In - tangible delight we will never find!  
i tell you . . . a mirage controlled by deserts galore.

Racing to the tides to find . . . passing grains of sands,  
this beach of reality is so far beyond minds grandeur.  
Freedom?, derived from structures beyond dreams,

that were never before you, to be claimed as gone?  
So grand beyond the stretch, to have fathoms answered . . .  
in meditative dreams of he who gives me these dreams, i see.

Dreams? slumbering in disciplined creeds . . . where . . .  
wisdom breaths no breath before me, this world is all of us.  
i live in no freedom other than my own, this question known?

Choice of breath & dreams, heartbeat or the mellow creeds?  
A true illusion to detest you from your real truth -  
you & i are free! No choice of earths, matters, or . . .

Your sacred first breath of birth, you see paradox blessed.  
Hand your will on silvers platters own feast, you will see.  
Yet not to fast to scream the worn word of fate for escape.

Open the soul - less swinging gate, swim but do not run.  
Twist the tangible mind, ringing it out . . . open wide,  
and still find . . . no answer before you, but what you've  
already known?

Through this you visions are cleansed at every moment,  
of true consciousness noted and brought forward!  
And still yet beyond what these answers will lend us,

or have claimed to have handled, it can not be grasped.  
That is why i am here not to grope, grasp, or cling to . . .  
the keeping of things that which i can not take on the upward  
journey,

which is in fact all of which you know, the only part leaving,  
is truly unknown by most all of us persons still wanting more?  
un load i say empty yourself, cupboards, and hordes, where?  
will you be going with these things!

Think of it as a mountain top where you can breath, add your  
breath to build, and work to become what you now breath!  
A place of no reality no dream, and not beyond what minds will  
will allow.

contradictions and paradoxes  
lend way to the keys of your kingdom of truth, with out leaving  
any behind nor to miss the meet, which is the same place we . . .  
will meet. A top of the mountain breathing free, sharing the  
different paths each has been.

today is the day to breath.

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-dreem/from  
-form/of/deed  
-dome/of/reef.

by Forest Rain