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Women hoopsters fade; Keys may return soon

By Robert Hood
Sports Editor

A week ago Linn-Benton's women's basketball team sat proudly on top of the Northwest Athletic Association of Community College's Division IV standings, watching as the rest of the league scratched and clawed for a playoff spot.

How things do change.

Linn Benton, after consecutive losses to Chemeketa and new league champions Clackamas, now has to fight for what was once theirs. But they may be getting a little help.

Natalia Keys, the Roadrunners emotional leader on and off the court, has removed the cast from her right knee and has begun therapy. She may see action as early as the first playoff game.

"Natalia has taken the cast off and a therapist said she could be ready by the time playoffs roll around," said Linn-Benton Coach Greg Hawk. Meanwhile Clackamas sits atop the Division IV ladder watching the Roadrunners scramble.

The Cougars are champions because of a 70-67 victory over the Roadrunners on Saturday. Linn-Benton, which destroyed the Cougars with Keys, missed three front ends of one-and-one opportunities. Since the free throws wouldn't go down, the championship did.

Center Casey Cosler carried the Roadrunners as far as she could but missed a shot in the closing seconds which would have put LB on top. Cosler scored 41 points but it wasn't enough. The Roadrunners hit the boards, getting 47 rebounds to only 38 for the Cougars, but the Cougars won the championship.

All of this was set up because of a loss to Chemeketa last Wednesday. The Chiefs, now in a position to snatch second place if LB loses tonight and they can beat Mt. Hood, nipped the Roadrunners 53-52. According to Coach Greg Hawk the girls played with heart and enthusiasm, but sometimes that's not enough—as the Roadrunners found out.

Cosler ran into early foul problems and with the big center out the Chiefs took a 30-25 lead into the locker rooms. But before it was over, Cosler put in 14 points and pulled down seven rebounds. The Roadrunners had the opportunity to win but the ballgame bounced away as Toni Rickman was whistled for traveling and time expired.

Now Linn-Benton is confronted with a new situation as they prepare to face arch-rival Lane tonight. The Roadrunners no longer hold all of the aces.

With the news of Keys return to health the Titans may see a new, or old, Linn-Benton team. A win would allow the Roadrunners to retain second place and would then set up a playoff game with Yakima Valley or Columbia Basin on Feb. 23 at the Activities Center.



Photo by G. A. Petroccione

Dreary Days Return

Oregon weather is back to normal after a brief fling with snow which prompted the early closure of the campus last Friday. Rains were particularly heavy Monday, when this shot was taken, and students can expect more of the wet stuff this week. Those curious about just how bad it is can stop by the weather display on the second floor of the Science Technology Building. The display provides a wide variety of current weather data, including temperature, wind speed, barometric pressure and, of course, rainfall amounts.

Sales tax may, may not solve college money woes



Photo by Sue Buhler

LBCC President Thomas Gonzales answers questions about the proposed state sales tax at last week's ASLBCC Council of Representatives meeting. Although the Legislature has not finalized the sales tax plan, Gonzales said it will help community colleges if it relieves property taxes.

By Sue Buhler
Editor

LBCC President Thomas Gonzales told the ASLBCC last week that the proposed state sales tax might not include money dedicated for community colleges—but he added that the sales tax could still cure the community college financial problems.

Gonzales stressed that conditions in the Legislature change daily. On the day of his ASLBCC presentation, for example, the State Ways and Means committee "decided to keep the community colleges out of the sales tax pie"—but by next week the situation may have changed.

Even if community colleges don't become part of the dedicated sales tax, if a substantial amount goes to property tax relief it would still help community colleges.

None of the community colleges have an easy time passing tax levies because of high property taxes, Gonzales explained. A substantial cut in property taxes—as much as 50 percent—could result in more support for colleges at the polls.

"I don't think too many people are anti-education," Gonzales said. "But a lot of them do think their property taxes are too high. I think it's likely that it would be easier to pass levies and bases if sales tax revenues relieve property taxes."

Gonzales added that the Oregon Community College Association plans to bring other matters before the state Legislature.

"One priority is to restore full reimbursement for FTE (full-time equivalency)—the last year we received full funding from the state for every full-time equivalent student was in 1980," Gonzales explained. "We're carrying between 340 and 350 FTE that we got no state money for."

LBCC receives about 43 percent of its funding from property taxes, 16 percent from tuition, 32 percent from state funding and 4 percent from federal and other sources. The remaining 5 percent is carried over from the previous year as the beginning fund balance. The Legislature has targeted a state reimbursement of about 92 percent of FTE, which increases the load on property taxes and tuition.

"Here at LBCC we haven't had a significant budget increase in four years, even though the cost of living continues to rise," Gonzales said. "The decrease in both state funding and local tax support gradually causes a collapse of course offerings and other services."

Other financial concerns include vocational education and equipment funding, Gonzales said.

Federal funding for vocational education programs has been dwindling, and the OCCA plans to ask the state for more support. In addition, equipment used for many programs must be maintained and updated, a difficult task to include in a college budget.

"If we're going to maintain our commitment to providing quality education in these areas, we're going to have to have some support from the state," he said.

Mandatory seat belt law would save lives and dollars

Do we need a law requiring us to wear seat belts? On Thursday, it was made clear that the Oregon Senate thinks we do.

The first piece of major legislation to emerge from the legislature this session, SB 355, would require drivers and passengers in cars, vans and pick-ups to make use of available seat belts. Older

tries such as Canada, Austria, Denmark, France, Spain and Japan have seat belt laws and many have presented statistics documenting decreased injuries and deaths.

Many of these countries also have some form of socialized medicine and have realized savings in health care costs to taxpayers. Considering that

automobile accidents account for a large proportion of the premiums on health and auto insurance, the citizens of the U.S. could also realize savings.

Senator Rod Monroe, co-sponsor of the bill, testified that the state would save \$25 million per year in workmans' compensation benefits and another \$13 million the first year alone in reduced health care costs.

A seat belt law, however, can save more than money. It can save lives. Monroe said about 100 lives would be saved and about 1000 serious injuries could be prevented the first year the seat belt law took effect in Oregon.

Opponents of mandatory seat belt legislation say it would encroach on individual freedom and would be difficult to enforce.

Would it be difficult to enforce? Probably. It is difficult to enforce in Sweden, West Germany and Australia, but all of these countries have reported a higher percentage of seat belt use and a lower death and injury rate in automobile accidents.

Is this law an encroachment upon individual freedom? Undoubtedly, it is. It is yet another law, another excuse for the government to interfere in our lives-to tell us what we can and cannot do.

However, for the public at large, the advantages of a mandatory seat belt law far outweigh the disadvantages of a small loss of personal freedom to the individual.

Seat belt legislation is one way we can help reduce the carnage on our highways. It has worked in New York, New Jersey and Illinois. It can work in Oregon.

Scott Heynderickx
Special Features Editor

Editorial

cars that didn't come equipped with seat belts would be exempt and no installation of new or different belts would be required. Violators would be subject to a maximum \$50 fine.

The bill now goes to the House of Representatives. If approved, the law would take effect January 1, 1986.

The U.S. is the only industrial country in the world not to have a mandatory seat belt law. Coun-

Letters

Pro-life reader asks about conscience

To the Editor:

Young people—what does your conscience tell you when you are told that you need not carry your child to full term pregnancy but instead to go get an abortion? When the laws, to date, state abortion is legal on demand—is that enough to kill that still small voice within that says "Don't murder this child?" Have you decided to join the ranks of the 4,000 women per day that get abortions? Have you listened to those friends that encourage abortion in the name of personal freedom and rights? Have you ever thought of what a pile of dead fetuses might look like if the 4,000 that were done in one single day in America were all deposited in your front yard? Reality cannot be stoned away. It is always there.

Think about these things. The law of man says abortion is okay. But the guilt and conviction in your spirit won't go away. Do you know why? Your spirit and your soul suffers the judgement of God. Man's laws won't lift from you the heaviness of this darkness. Murder is serious business. When tiny helpless infants are removed from their mothers alive and left to die through malnourishment, is this not murder? Can this ever be okay? I don't think so. God is merciful but also just.

And dad (don't call me dad, I'm not married)—but you are a father of a living human being. It only took one seed planted and fertilized. Do you know that many girls get abortions and don't tell the father of the child? Does that make it go away? Are you responsible for your actions and attitudes of free-for-all sex? Do you get real angry when she says she's pregnant? Was it really love that suddenly has ended with such seeming grief? I guess it wasn't so much fun, was it?

Young people, when you are alone and can't sleep because confusion clouds your youthful mind with anguish and questions you can't ask anybody; do you look deeper? Are the morals of free sex so prevalent in literature and media telling you the truth? Don't you wander, and cry, and scream inside because these popular

morals don't fit the dictate of your conscience, or perhaps your heart is hard toward righteousness. Do you need peace?

Come to Jesus. He has the only forgiveness for all your sins.

Jerry Stutzman

Abortion issue is not black & white

To the Editor:

Yet another letter on the abortion issue, or maybe not.

What I am concerned about is the constant attempt to reduce everything to a black and white issue. If you want absolute right and wrong answers, go be a math major.

In life, answers are rarely easy or simple. For an almost living fetus I can show you a child beaten or tortured to death by a parent who did not want or deserve it. For a couple who want to adopt, there is an unskilled, untrained teenage mother who refuses to give up the child she can't support.

For every black or white issue there are 20 more greys, not absolutely right or wrong.

What I am in favor of is education. Teaching people how not to get pregnant if they don't want to be pregnant. I am also in favor of easing up the pressure on young people to become sexually active before they are physically, mentally or emotionally capable of dealing with the consequences.

Katherine Davenport

Keep government out of abortion issue

To the Editor:

The present political campaign is being cluttered up with unsolvable differences.

Pro Life against free choice. Pro Life advocates believe, rightly, that every life is sacred and deserves a chance to exist. Pro Choice advocates believe, rightly, that every life is sacred and deserves a chance to exist.

In both cases, the decision is subjective—which life is important to support. Obviously an unborn baby, who could result in a Beethoven or a Hitler, deserves a chance to try. And also, a person faced with producing a child under severe or even just unpleasant circumstances should not be forced to.

Simple solutions are not popular, but it seems that this particular controversy could be solved more simply. Laws and legislation will not even address the problem. More direct procedures are really necessary to accomplish a reasonable solution.

Pro Life: It is not necessary, nor prudent to continue bothering congress and the administration about this problem. It cannot be a matter of law, but of your own dedication. Agree to support every child which may be unwanted, and help the mother and father of that child to make a rational decision. Use your support and funds to that effort, and abandon the legislative route.

Pro Choice: It is not necessary, nor prudent to continue bothering congress and the administration about this problem. It cannot be a matter of law, but of your own dedication. Agree to provide a safe abortion for every lady who seeks one, with reasonable cause, and all kinds of education to that effect, and use your support and funds to that effort—abandon the legislative route.

This is a highly emotional issue, and unsolvable for our government! Take care of your own dedications in a direct and responsible way, and allow the government to handle the other problems, of which there are many!

Mary Davenport

Program advisor should top list

To the Editor:

At the top of Lesa Gothand's list of people to see for advice should have been her program advisor!

Gerry Conner
Business Division



"OH, NOW I UNDERSTAND. WHEN HE DOES THIS SUR-REALISTIC GARBAGE, HE'S MY SON; AND WHEN HE PAINTS UNCLE ROB, HE'S YOUR SON THE ARTIST!"

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Women's writing sought

By Rebeca Janbleh
Staff Writer

Women can celebrate their own history by contributing to a collection of women's writing entitled "A Woman's Personal History."

The collection is one of several events taking place to celebrate National Women's History Week March 4-8. The contributions will be shared with others between March 4 and 8 and some may be published in a special Commuter insert on March 13.

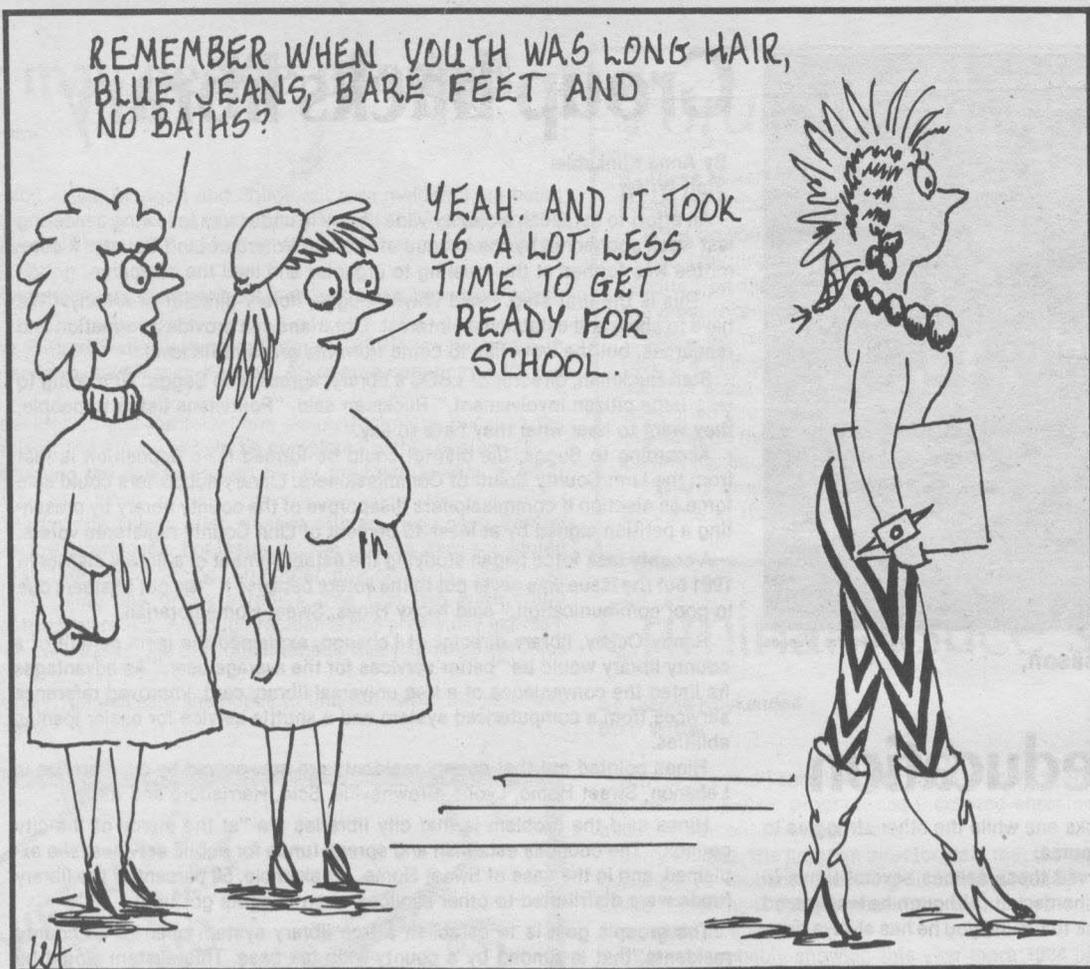
You may submit one entry in each of the following categories: personal journal writing, poetry, essays, short stories and photographs. Submit typewritten entries (72 space line length preferred) and photos to the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences Division by March 1. Include your name, address and phone number, and self addressed stamped envelope if you wish to have your entries returned.

Other events taking place include, book review discussion of new biographies on Ruth-Benedict, Margaret Mead and Mary Leakey in the College Center Calapooia Room on March 4 from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. "We will once again have our popular readers theater," said Barbara McKillip of the Learning Resource Center. Scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday March 5 and 6, it is an informal reading by staff, students and community members of poetry, essays and fiction by and about women. The reading will take place in College Center Boardrooms A and B, from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.

Thursday March 7 in the Calapooia Room from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. Barbara Iseley, director of Women in Development, will give a talk and presentation on women in developing countries.

On Friday the celebrations will wrap up with discussions on the issue of comparable worth, musical entertainment by local women singers and musicians and a reception and social hour. These events will begin at 12 p.m. and continue through the day to 5 p.m. and will be held in the Calapooia Room.

McKillip added that all events are free and people are welcome to bring their lunches.



AHSS division hopes to replace director of theatre program

By Katherine Davenport
Feature Editor

Rumors have been running rampant about what will happen to the theater program now that former department chairman and director Stephen Rossberg has left.

"Whatever the rumors are they are all true," said Ken Cheney, director of the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences Division.

Asked if the theater department was on its way out, Cheney said, "Oh, no!"

He explained that nothing has been definitely decided as yet, but that they have been asked to submit a "green sheet"—a request for a position opening—to the Department of Human Resources.

"We are presently working towards defining the position," Cheney said.

Instructor Jane Donovan, who is directing the main stage production of Arthur Miller's "A View From The Bridge" this term, said that she had hoped they would know by now.

Everyone asked agreed that even if Rossberg is replaced, it will not be until fall term. In the interim, other options are being considered. Donovan will be directing a children's theater production on the main stage in the spring. Part-time speech teacher Dave Wheeler will be directing a spring reader's theater production in the Loft Theater. The present department chairman, Gary Ruppert, also hopes to encourage more student-directed productions in the Loft if faculty supervision can be arranged.

Both Ruppert and Cheney agreed that part of the problem is that the theater department is expensive to run. Cheney said that the use of the theater depends on college staff to operate it. Ruppert estimated that it takes over on full-time salary to produce two shows per term as has been done in the past, but explained that this does not generate much in student full-time equivalency figures (FTE). Since FTE is what state funding is based on, this is a major concern for the department.

Ruppert added that there are presently eight or nine declared theater majors, more than in recent years, but few compared to many other programs.

However, that is not the only consideration. Ruppert and Cheney also added that the theater is an important part of LBCC's community relations.

"More people come to the theater than anything else on campus," Cheney said.

Cheney also hopes to make the theater more accessible to the community and other groups. He added that this July and August Albany Civic Theater plans to use the LBCC main stage for their production of "Arsenic and Old Lace".

Ruppert hopes to put out a full season playbill next year so that people can plan ahead for it; and he would like to bring in more outside entertainment.

"We need to meet the students' demands," he said, "and when the student focus shifts, we have to shift with it. I think we have to do that for our own survival."

Donovan feels that having some theater is a commitment LBCC has as a community theater. "I'm trying to look at this as a creative opportunity for positive change," she said, "but it is unsettling."

Evening degrees to be added

By Lisa Cardamon
Staff Writer

LBCC will offer an evening degree program this fall for people who are able to attend school only at night.

The program will offer degrees in associates of arts and business administration, but details are still being developed on how the evening degree program will work, said Barbara Dixon, assistant to the vice president for instruction.

"We've been looking to implement an evening degree program for a long time," said Dixon. "There are many students attending classes at night and we want to give them the opportunity to get a degree."

It will take the average person about four years to complete the program, said Dixon, or less than that if they attend classes nightly.

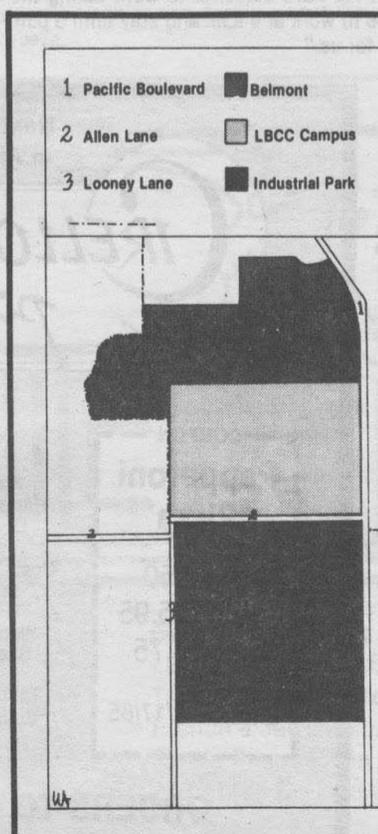
John Keyser, vice president for instruction, said, "A list of courses for evening classes will come out as part of the fall '85 schedule."

Keyser explained that college officials are addressing such problems as how to provide counseling and advising services that normally are available only to day students. They're also concerned about lighting in the parking lot.

"The lighting situation isn't as good as it could be," he said. "In the past it's been foreboding to some extent because it (the parking lot) is not well lit. We want to give students more of a feeling of safety. We would also like to center the evening classes more in Tadena Hall for example as this would limit running around from class to class," he said.

Keyser added that there are no funds now allocated for the evening degree program.

"We are on a limited budget. We'll need to shift our present resources as creatively as possible," he said. Keyser and other officials expect to have some of these loose ends tied-up in about six weeks.



Nearby industry site annexed

By Jon Taylor
Staff Writer

Preliminary moves to develop a 126-acre industrial park just south of the LBCC campus are progressing through local and regional government channels.

The property is between Highway 99E and Looney Lane, south of Allen Lane. The Albany-Millersburg Economic Development Corporation (AMEDC) owns the land and is now in preliminary contact with several prospective industrial developers.

LBCC is a member of the Southern Willamette Research Corridor consortium, which has informally taken a "supportive" position on the industrial park since it was first proposed to the city of Albany in July of last year, according to LBCC President Tom Gonzales.

Gonzales, the LBCC representative in the consortium, said the industrial development upon the college could not be measured until something more concrete has occurred.

"We will consider the impact of incoming industry on case-by-case basis," he said, adding that the college may be able to provide training and research to some industries that eventually move in.

Proponents list the property's proximity to Highway 99E, transit lines and LBCC among its assets as an industrial park.

Annexation of the property to the city of Albany occurred in late 1984. Eight nearby residential properties whose owners opposed their annexation were excluded.

Plans are progressing to improve the proposed industrial park with utilities as an added enticement to prospective industrial developers.



Photo by Pat Wappes

Visitors are welcome at the OSU sheep barn during lambing season, mid-January through March.

Sheep barn provides sex education

By Robert Botts
Staff Writer

OSU's sheep barn is once again unveiling mysteries of birth to its visitors. "Here, groups of kids can see what lambing is all about," said Robert Klinger, OSU's sheep herdsman. "It's sex education for some kids."

"We have kids coming here from Lincoln City to Sweet Home, and from Oregon City to Eugene—Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, third graders, fifth graders and families," Klinger said.

The sheep barn, open 24 hours each day during the lambing season, is located on Campus Way west of 35th Street in Corvallis. Klinger estimates 1,000 people come through each week.

"It's just like coming to the zoo," he said. "We let people wander through on their own. If we're not busy we will answer questions."

Visitors approaching the barn cautiously peek inside. A green chalkboard placed near the entrance relieves their timidity. "Welcome to the OSU sheep barn," reads the homemade sign. It lists some forbidden things and finishes with "Thanks and enjoy yourself."

An arrow points to the right, and visitors proceed down a walkway sandwiched between bales of straw and the lambing pens. Bleating lambs and music—rock music coming from a radio hanging on a post—fill the barn. Strange, but not unpleasant, odors assail the nostrils. Dark eyes behind black masks stare back from the pens as the ewes await motherhood.

Some ewes are sleeping or just lying down. Some ewes are eating hay, nodding their heads up and down. One is lying on her side oblivious to everything, including her lamb.

Farther along the walkway a young woman and two children watch a ewe with twins. Both have just been born. Steam rises from their backs in the cool air. The

busy ewe intently licks one while the other struggles to its feet and tries to nurse.

Klinger has observed these scenes several times in his 12 years as OSU herdsman. Although he was reared in Chicago he is quick to remind you he has always been a farmer.

"I didn't decide to be a farmer," he said emphatically. "I have always been a farmer—it's something inside me. I joined the Coast Guard and served nine years to be eligible for the GI educational benefits and by serving additional time I saved some money thinking I would buy my own farm." He knocked his pipe out and continued. "I went to Washington State University and majored in animal husbandry. When I got out of school this (the OSU job) was a better opportunity than a farm of my own so I came here."

Klinger's office is cluttered with boots and other paraphernalia. A poster over his roll-top desk reads: "Be reasonable. Do it my way." Several notes are attached to a bulletin board near the entrance. Filing boxes fill a bookcase sitting next to his desk, which has a stuffed white lamb sitting on top. "One visitor who had been here several times made it and gave it to me," he said of the lamb.

The lambing season is a busy time and extends from the middle of January into March, he said.

"We have 720 ewes and we average 1.6 lambs for each ewe, which gives us about 1,150 lambs each year. We lose some lambs that are born outside. Cold and rainy weather is the worst for a lamb. Even if the ewe had 12 tongues she couldn't lick fast enough to keep him dry, and it dies of hypothermia."

"We have someone here 24 hours everyday during the lambing season. We have students to work during the night and I come to work at 6 a.m. and stay until 5 p.m. It's a busy time for us."

Group backs library

By Anna Klinkebiel
Staff Writer

An effort to establish a county-wide library is under way following a meeting last week sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Linn County. A committee was formed at the meeting to organize and lead the campaign.

"This is the first step," said Wayne Suggs, library director of Albany. "We have to show and establish an interest. Librarians can provide information and resources, but the work has to come from the grass roots level."

Stan Ruckman, director of LBCC's library, agrees with Suggs. "It's going to take large citizen involvement," Ruckman said. "Politicians listen to people, they want to hear what they have to say."

According to Suggs, the district could be formed if no opposition is met from the Linn County Board of Commissioners. Library supporters could also force an election if commissioners disapprove of the county library by presenting a petition signed by at least 15 percent of Linn County registered voters.

A county task force began studying the establishment of a library district in 1981 but the issue was never put to the voters because it "ran out of steam due to poor communication," said Nicky Hines, Sweet Home librarian.

Randy Ockey, library director of Lebanon, explained the main benefit of a county library would be "better services for the average user." As advantages he listed the convenience of a free universal library card, improved reference services from a computerized system and a shuttle service for easier loaning abilities.

Hines pointed out that county residents are now served by city libraries in Lebanon, Sweet Home, Lyons, Brownsville, Scio, Harrisburg and Albany.

Hines said the problem is that city libraries are "at the mercy of the city council." The councils establish and spread funds for public services, she explained, and in the case of Sweet Home, for example, 50 percent of the library funds were distributed to other services when budgets got tight.

The group's goal is to establish a free library system open to all county residents, that is funded by a county-wide tax base. This system would be governed by an elected board of directors who would be responsible for establishing a budget, service level and policies for libraries.

Rotary picks student of month

By Debora Walker
Staff Writer

February's student of the month is Jeff Hendricks, a mechanical engineering major from the Science and Technology Division.

Each month a different department chooses an LBCC student of the month to be sponsored by the Albany Rotary Club, which presents a \$25 Bookstore gift certificate at a Rotary luncheon.

"I had no idea there was a student of the month," said Hendricks. "But it's nice to be recognized for all the work I've done."

Wally Reed, an instructor in the Science and Technology Department, nominated Hendricks for the honor. Reed instructs Hendricks in dynamics and differential equations.

"I chose Jeff because I felt he was

deserving," said Reed. "He sort of typifies the type of student we try to serve here." Reed also pointed out Hendricks' grade point average.

"His G.P.A. is very handsome. He is taking very difficult classes and is still pulling around a 3.70 G.P.A.," Reed said.

"He has built himself from rather humble beginnings to the point where now he's ready to apply for the professional program at OSU," said Reed.

According to Hendricks he was very honored to be chosen as student of the month.

"I'm very pleased that Wally would think to nominate me," he said.

Ron McMullen was student of the month for January. He is a political science major from the arts, humanities and social sciences division. Doug Clark, a political science instructor, nominated McMullen for the award.

"I think he exemplifies the type of curiosity, self motivation and discipline that I as a teacher look for in students," said Clark.

McMullen's reaction differed slightly from Hendricks'.

"I was underwhelmed, actually," he said. "I mean it was nice to get the \$25 to buy books with. It just wasn't any big deal. I was surprised and honored to be chosen. The honor was being chosen, not necessarily receiving the gift."

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Survey may decide offerings

Donieta Murphy
Writer

Approximately 400 Alsea, Blodgett and Philomath area residents are being invited to participate in a needs assessment survey for LBCC's Benton Center. Results of the survey will help the Benton Center decide what courses to offer in these areas for spring term.

Letters explaining the survey were sent out, and telephone interviews began last week. Members of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) are helping with telephone interviews, said Nancy Kendall, Alsea-area coordinator for the Benton Center.

Kendall said she decided to use the telephone survey technique because the results are immediate. The survey should be completed within two weeks. Kendall is conducting the survey as part of her graduate studies in adult education at OSU.

Kendall said she started the survey after classes offered in outlying Benton Center areas drew low attendance. For instance, five classes were scheduled last fall during fall term—accounting, computer programming, Christmas parties, microwave cooking and dance aerobics. The first two were credit courses, the other three were not. Although residents had previously expressed interest in all of the classes, the only one attended was the dance aerobics class.

Doing the survey, Kendall said she hopes to find out "what the residents want and need."

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'Forum Flasher' strikes again?

By Diane Morelli
Managing Editor

What do you say to a naked man?

Two sightings of a "Forum flasher" have been reported on the LBCC campus since last December, the most recent last Wednesday.

Elaine Munson, first year data processing major, had just left the cafeteria, hurrying to a child care lab seminar about 11:57 a.m. Passing by the glass doors of the Forum she slowed down upon seeing a naked man standing on the other side of the doors with his hands behind his back, wearing no expression on his face.

"Gee I must be dreaming," said Munson of her thoughts at the time. When asked for a description,

Munson said he was young (around 20), 5'8", short dark blond hair, slim but well toned and handsome.

"The only thing I didn't see were the color of his eyes," she said.

When commended on her excellent description she said, "When I see a naked person—I see them."

An earlier episode was reported some time before Christmas break. A young woman walked into the Commuter office and quietly told reporter Scott Heynderickx a man near the Forum had opened his coat and exposed his naked body to her.

By the time Heynderickx and another reporter, armed with camera, pad and pencil arrived on the scene, everybody was clothed.

Criminal justice students on the rise

By Dianne Kuykendall
Staff Writer

Although overall enrollment at LBCC is down slightly, the criminal justice program has increased enrollment about 20 percent over last year.

Jerry Phillips, the program director, said that there are currently 88 students majoring in criminal justice at LBCC. Enrollment patterns have changed over the last few years, he added.

"We are probably showing this year more 1984 high school graduates in the program than we have any year in the last three," Phillips said.

This may be a sign of economic conditions, he added. "It's easier to go to school than to go out and try to find work."

Another reason for increased enrollment might be Phillips' high school recruiting efforts. Some of the students are enforcement officers who are returning for additional training to receive promotions or salary increases.

There are more women in the program today than four years ago when Phillips came to LBCC. Women constitute 35 percent of the total enrollment compared to 12

percent four years ago. Many of the classes Phillips teaches were filled or over loaded this term.

The LBCC criminal justice program has two branches—law enforcement and corrections.

Law enforcement graduates pursue careers as city police officers, deputy sheriffs or state police officers. Corrections students find work as parole officers, juvenile counselors, correction officers and probation officers.

"Corrections majors almost exclusively are on a transfer track," Phillips said. "They will usually go on to a four-year school like OSU or WOSC."

Under Oregon law, a four year degree is required to hold a corrections position. Phillips indicated that most LBCC students are finding work in their field.

Jerry Phillips started at LBCC in 1981, and teaches most of the curriculum with the exception of law classes. He said he feels students gain more from lawyers in these courses. Phillips has been teaching for about nine years. He received his master's degree in public administration from Portland State University and taught there and at Portland Community College.

Of the 88 students in the program, 31 chose to major in corrections and 57 in law enforcement.

Free human culture lectures offered

A series of conferences on "Human Culture: Change and Diversity" began Friday evening with a lecture entitled, "The Experience of Modernity," by Reed College professor Richard Wrightman Fox.

The symposium is being sponsored by the anthropology faculty of LBCC's department of social science and funded mainly by the Oregon Committee for the Humanities.

Fox presented the question, "What does it mean to be a modern person?" He stressed that each generation has had to deal with the confusion of being a modern person—breaking with tradition and deciding what they were going to believe.

The other subjects to be presented are "People of the Great Basin," by Marilyn Couture, Feb. 15; "The Klu Klux Klan in Oregon in the 1920's: Personality and Social Change," by David Horowitz, Feb. 22; "A Message from the Stone Age," by John Nance, March 1; "The Teachings of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh," by Ronald Clark, March 8.

All seminars except Feb. 22 will be held in LBCC's Alsea Calapooia Room. The Feb. 22 session will be held in Boardrooms A and B.

The lectures are free. For more information contact Marty Rosenson, anthropology/archaeology instructor at 928-2361, ext. 215 or 967-6504.

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ACT opens comedy-drama

The comedy-drama "Crimes of the Heart" opens this Friday at Albany Civic Theater and runs three weekends.

The Pulitzer Prize winning play by Beth Henley revolves around the reunion of the three Magrath sisters, Lenny, Babe and Meg. They have come together again in their old home because Babe, played by Elizabeth Sargent, has shot her husband. She doesn't like his look.

The cast includes Trina Norman as Lenny, Debora Good as Meg, Lexy Dillon as their cousin Chick, Robert Moore as Meg's old boyfriend "Doc" and John Baur as Barnette, Babe's lawyer.

Tickets are available at French's Jewelers in Albany, The Inkwell in Corvallis and at the door.

Friday will be a champagne opening starting at 7:30 p.m. with the play beginning at 8:15 p.m.

Coaches watching grades of athletes

By Mike Caldwell
Staff Writer

A new grade-checking system is helping LBCC coaches monitor the academic progress of their student athletes.

Brian Smith, head coach of the men's basketball team, and Greg Hawk, head baseball and women's basketball coach, are responsible for the new system.

"We want the students to realize that academics are their first priority," said Hawk. "In the past we've stressed the importance of school, but we always lose one or two athletes to grades anyway," said Hawk.

Throughout the year, Linn-Benton athletes have all their class instructors fill out progress reports indicating attendance and grade status. The reports are

signed and turned into the coaches every three weeks. "It makes the athletes go one step further in the classroom," said Hawk. "They meet their instructor face-to-face every three weeks and discuss their progress," Hawk added.

Athletic Director Dick McClain stressed the new system was not implemented due to poor grades. It was initiated by the coaches and is for their benefit only.

"Realistically less than 10 percent of the students attending LB will ever have a shot at being a pro athlete," said Hawk. "We want to help them for life after college."

Hawk also added that most of his good athletes are also good students.

"If the student is a good worker in class he will usually be a good ballplayer," Hawk said. "More than often our best athletes are also the best students."

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PERSONALS

Hablas Espanol? This Friday will be the 5th meeting of LBCC students and faculty with Latin American students from OSU at the Spanish Table, located in the northeast corner of the Commons where the windows meet. Anyone who can speak even a minimum level of Spanish is welcome to participate. For more information, contact Vera Harding, ext. 201

Forest Help

The Mt. Hood National Forest in the Cascade Range near Portland, Oregon, is looking for volunteers to work during the 1985 field season.

According to Volunteer Coordinator Linda Slimp, volunteers are needed for a variety of jobs. They range from Campground Hosts (trailers recommended) to Wilderness Rangers and everything in between. Typical jobs also include timber sale layout, trail maintenance, road surveying, and fuels and fire projects.

"Many of the jobs don't require any specific educational background," said Slimp. "Other projects may require someone with a special skill, such as fisheries biology or carpentry. Volunteering is a great opportunity to gain professional training and experience in your career discipline."

Although volunteers are not paid, the Forest Service can provide housing and pay mileage for the use of personal vehicles on the job.

For applications, contact (1) College Placement Office or (2) Linda Slimp, Mt. Hood National Forest, 2955 NW Division Street, Gresham, OR 97030.

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ACT

"Crimes of the Heart," winner of the Pulitzer Prize and the Drama Critics Award of 1981, is a comedy drama of family relationships and self-images shaped by unquestioned assumptions. The year is 1974, at the Mississippi home of three eccentric sisters.

Curtain time is 8:15 p.m.—Matinee 2:30 p.m., Feb. 16, 16, 22, 23, 24 M, 28, March 1, 2. Presented by the Albany Civic Theater, 111 W. First St., Albany.

This play is not recommended for anyone under 12, due to mature subject matter.

Credit union

Representatives of the Willamette Community Development Corporation will be on the LBCC campus Friday, Feb. 15, to explain a new credit union being formed.

Staff of the private, non-profit, economic development corporation will have a display set up from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Commons.

Those interested in the credit union being chartered to help people on a limited income, may sign up to be on a mailing list.

For additional information contact Benji Cato, 928-2381.

Representative

A representative from Western Oregon State College will be in the Commons lobby located in the college center, to talk with students who may be interested in transferring, Wednesday, Feb. 13, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Craft labs

LBCC is opening its jewelry-making and photography labs to the public on Saturdays. To more fully utilize the College's lab facilities, LBCC's Community Education Center has started a pilot program to open the labs 9 a.m.-3 p.m. each Saturday.

The college will provide supervision, but users must have basic skills in their area of interest because instruction is not offered. The cost for using either lab is \$7, a \$2 lab fee and a \$5 user fee, for each Saturday. The fees can be paid at the Albany Center any time during regular business hours.

A short safety orientation session must be taken before using the labs the first time. Those working in the photography lab must provide their own film and paper, and those working in the jewelry lab must provide their own metals and wax.

Anyone interested in using the labs or wanting more information can call the Albany Center, ext. 108.

England tour

A meeting to discuss LBCC's 1985 Heritage of England summer travel course (June 16-July 4) will be held on Tuesday evening Feb. 19, at 7 p.m. in ST-119. Dave Perkins describe the trip in detail, show slides from last summer's tour, and present a stereo show on England. Everyone considering joining this summer's tour is encouraged to attend.

Human culture

A series of free seminars on "Human Culture: Change and Diversity" will be held at the LBCC campus during February and March.

Sponsored by LBCC's anthropology faculty, the seminars will be held at 7 p.m. Feb. 15, 22, March 1 and 8. Major funding has been provided by the Oregon Committee for Humanities.

Seminars presented and their topics are: Feb. 15 - Marilyn Couture "People of the Great Basin."

Feb. 22 - David Horowitz "The Klu Klux Klan in Oregon in the 1920s: Personality and Social Change."

Mar. 1 - John Nance "A Message from Stone Age."

Mar. 8 - Ronald Clark "Teachings of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh."

All seminars except Feb. 2 will be held in LBCC's Alesha/Calapoolia Room. The Feb. 22 session will meet in Boardrooms A and B.

For more information on the "Human Culture: Change and Diversity" seminars, ext. 504.

Rubella

Dr. Lester Wright, Oregon State Health Officer announced today that the wide-spread use of rubella vaccine in Oregon has made the final step in rubella elimination possible. The remaining population are the 65,000 to 70,000 Oregon women between the ages of 19 and 35 years of age who are capable of bearing children but who are not adequately protected from the disease.

Dr. White urges all women in the childbearing years to contact either their own physician or to be sure that they are adequately protected.

Play

"A View from the Bridge," Arthur Miller's powerful modern tragedy, on stage in LBCC's Tadena Hall Theater, 8:15 p.m., Feb. 22, March 1 and 2. Matinee performance 3 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 24. Tickets \$3.50 general admission, \$3 for LBCC students, children and senior citizens. Advance tickets available at French's Jewelers in Albany, Rice's Pharmacy in Corvallis and LBCC's College Center office. Box office information—967-6504.

Extra Innings

Robert Hood
Sports Editor

was on display Sunday as the best basketball players in the world for the National Basketball Association all-star game, with the West finally winning after a six-year dry spell. The final score, which never seems to matter in a contest such as the all-star game, seemed to take a backseat to the interesting sub-plots which crept out of the hardwood at the Indiana Hoosier Dome. The largest crowd to ever witness an NBA contest of any kind was on hand for the changing of the guard in the NBA. Some of the elder statesmen in the league, such as Kareem Abdul Jabbar and Julius Erving played second fiddle to the rising youngsters which have sprouted up in the last few years. Magic Johnson, playing in an unprecedented 14th straight all-star game, played like the heir to his throne, Ralph Sampson. Sampson and Jabbar's team, the Lakers, hit it off great as Magic lofted many of his patented passes to a waiting Sampson, who ripped the East team for 24 points and the Most Valuable Player awards. Dominique Wilkins, the high-flying Atlanta Hawk forward, out dunked rookie Michael Jordan for the \$12,000 first prize in the dunk contest. Julius Erving found the kids in a different stratosphere and wound up fourth. Doctor is not washed up by any stretch of the imagination, but he is making as many housecalls as he used to. The arrival of all of the young talent coming up this means only one thing for the success of the league, which has long lived in the shadows cast down by the National Football League and Major League Baseball, is emerging as a major part of the professional sports business. With the newly adopted salary cap and an innovative program for drug and alcohol abuse the NBA is reaching up to new heights.

In the last season the NBA is chained to CBS' \$88 million dollar contract for the next year they can entertain bids from the big three—ABC, NBC and Turner decided earlier this year that his cable network, Turner Broadcasting System, couldn't function without the NBA so he gave \$20 million to the league for broadcasting rights. This is a \$9 million dollar leap over the amount paid by ESPN and USA Network last season. The final game of last season, the championship game between Los Angeles and Boston drew a prime-time television rating of 19.3, an all-time high for the NBA. Surely ABC and NBC will take this fact and will properly raise their bids. Goodbye Brent Musburger, hello Dick Enberg.

The NBA would shorten the season to sixty games (ending the season in March or late March if they start in late November) they would end that off-the-season boredom which creeps in just before the all-star break. This would be the last move needed to push the NBA even with the NFL and Major League Baseball.

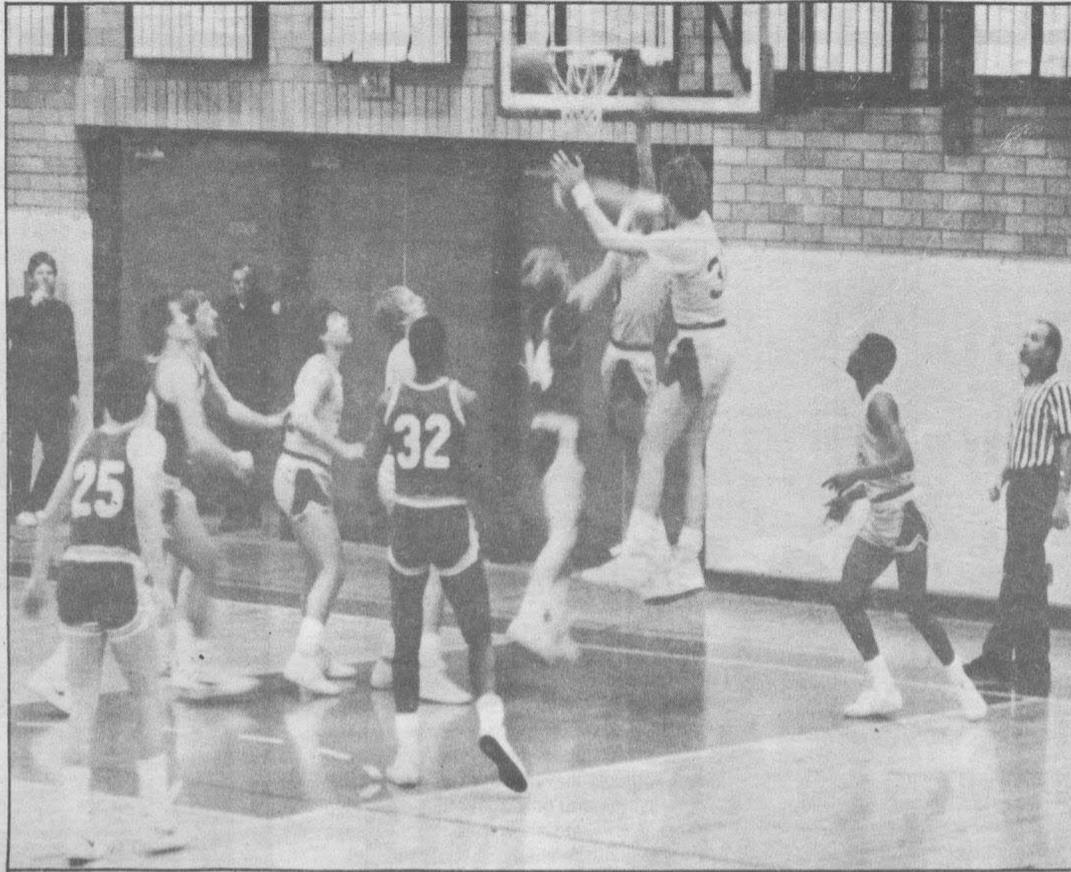


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Center Brad Bennett plays defense as a visiting Chemeketa player goes for two. Guard Kevin Burton doesn't tangle with the tall-timber and waits for a rebound. Burton has been the most consistent Linn-Benton hoopster this year, and has helped the team try to salvage an otherwise dismal season.

The Roadrunners wind up the season tonight as they travel to Eugene for a contest with arch-rival Lane. Burton and the Roadrunners will have to be on top of their game as the Titans feature one of the league's leading scorers, Jerome Johnson.

Roadrunner men fail to register win

By Robert Hood
Sports Editor

The Roadrunner men's basketball team lost two more games last week as they fell to league champ Chemeketa 62-51 and Clackamas 101-72.

The Chiefs visited the Activities Center last Wednesday and just over-

powered a pesky Linn-Benton squad. The Roadrunners, 3-10 in league and 8-17 overall, led the talented Chemeketa team 27-25 at the half but couldn't hold the Chiefs down in the second half.

The Roadrunners were stone-cold from the field as they shot 19 of 54 for 35 percent. Kevin Burton led LB in scoring as he sank six of his 17 shots from the field for 13 points. Dave

Queener canned 12 points to help the LB cause.

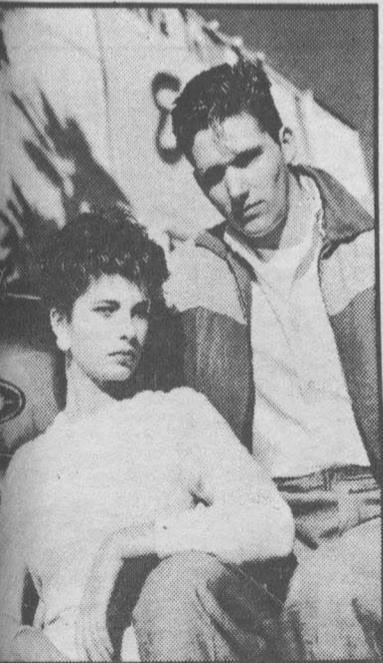
According to head coach Brian Smith the team got clobbered by Clackamas 101-72.

Dave Bass was the only bright spot for the Roadrunners, who were never really in the game, as he scored a team-high 15 points and pulled down seven rebounds.

Clackamas, which suffered an embarrassing loss to the Roadrunners earlier in the year, cranked the running game right up and coasted by Linn-Benton from start to finish.

The Roadrunners end the season tonight against arch-rival Lane and shooting sensation Jerome Johnson.

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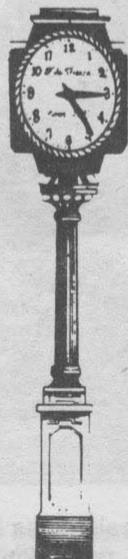
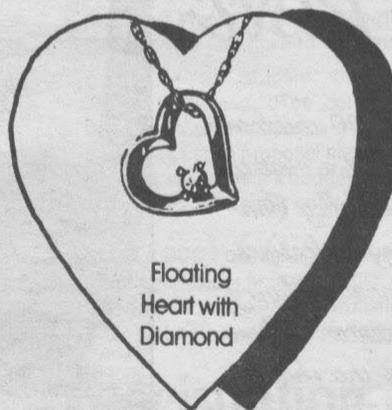
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Nick Shuetz cuddles up close to resident Oscar Styles.



Dorn Grovum is all bundled up to leave, but can't resist one last warm handshake with resident Harvey Cockeram.

Valentine's Visit

In celebration of Valentine's Day, 20 children from LBC's Child Care Center paid a visit to residents of Corvallis' Heart of the Valley Convalescent Home yesterday, bearing valentines, love and joy. This was the 4th annual delivery of valentines to seniors at the center. There were smiles, tears and hugs as the children made their rounds handing out the 75 valentines they had made over the past few weeks.

Photos by Scott Heynderickx



Oscar Styles, with valentines in hand, offers thanks to (left to right) Phoebe Munsun,

Trevor Hodge, Racheal LaBrasseur and Nick Shuetz.