

## Needham answers senators

Speaks to building hopes, Commons complaint

Sue Storm

President Ray Needham was present at the ASLBCC Senate meeting last Monday to answer specifically two concerns the senators had.

The first concern involved information regarding the general purpose building the college has applied for federal funds to build. Needham explained that the building was not planned at this time to house any new programs, but rather it was a combination of designs for helping many departments around campus. "One of the plans is to move through humanities classes into the building so that the music dept. will be able to utilize the entire second floor of humanities for practice rooms, etc. A small auditorium with fully equipped theatre facilities is planned, as is a mall area for students to sell handcrafted items. There will also be some kind of food service available. But the majority of the building will be for classes; this will free enough room for departments presently holding those classes to expand their facilities.

Needham was asked why a child care center was not planned into the new building. He replied that "child care is

not a priority set by the board (of directors). They feel a facility on campus would compete with child care facilities in the community." He added, however, that he was willing to work with students to present the issue to the board if they wished.

The president also stated that even though the general purpose building was definitely in the planning stages, he did not feel very optimistic about LBCC receiving the federal grant. If federal and state monies are not available for the building, it will not be built. For, as Needham put it, "The board is not about to ask the voters for more money now!"

The second concern the senators had was about the inconvenience to the students caused by the commons being closed for a Chamber of Commerce Veterans Day banquet held Nov. 17. They stated that students weren't informed in time to make other plans. They also pointed out that college center policy specifically states that off campus groups should only utilize college center facilities on a weekend. Needham answered that, regardless of

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## Analysis

# Auto Tech: eight weeks go by and no hearing as yet

Cliff Kneale

Following eight weeks of preliminary grievance procedures, a change in student leadership, and several administrative tie ups, the complaint on the auto tech program has yet to come to a formal hearing.

The grievance is centered on several issues; the requirement for auto tech students to buy parts through LBCC, a charge for their use of steam cleaning equipment, and the possible loss of free time. (See *Commuter* Nov. 10, 1976 for more details.)

The auto tech students involved are sitting "sick and tired," of filling out a multitude of petitions that have been circulating within the program. They say that eight weeks is too long on such a matter.

Why has the process gone so slowly? The opinions vary from lack of student support, to deliberate administrative holding out, to the complexity of the issue.

Part of the problem may be that Juan Cabrerizo, the former spokesman for auto tech student has turned his position over to Harry Dayley.

Cabrerizo, Dayley, and another student in the program, John Hortsch, feel that student government has not been representing their interests as it should.

According to Hortsch, the problem

lies with student senator Fred Beauregard, who is assigned to represent the students in the grievance process. "Looks like he wants to play patty cake with the administration," Hortsch stated.

Not all has been roses for senator Beauregard either. According to Beauregard, he has been required to write and rewrite the formal grievance letter until it met with administrative approval; then to circulate another petition among the students involved. Beauregard sees his role as that of an unbiased facilitator for the students.

Sandi Sundance, ASLBCC vice president, believes the slow process is primarily the fault of administrators. "Administration is deliberately trying to hold the grievance procedure off until it dies a natural death," Sundance said.

The administration has a different explanation. Dean of Students Lee Archibald, who describes his position as one of an outside observer, has been working closely with Beauregard on the problem. "This is a complex issue involving a lot of people; the two combined lead to a lot of time," Archibald said.

Recently Beauregard circulated a questionnaire to administrators involved. The questionnaire consists of 18 questions about the student complaint.

Five of these questionnaires were sent. According to sources in student government, in each case the administrator involved did not fill it out.

Archibald stated his reason for not filling it out is one of maintaining his neutral position.

According to senator Rod Ortman, the other administrators who have not replied are Phil Clark, the program director; Jean Rasor, coordinator of shop activities; Dr. Bob Adams, Dean of Instruction; and one unnamed instructor.

LBCC President Ray Needham told Beauregard he was impressed with the questionnaire. "He said it raised some questions in his mind concerning the program," Beauregard said.

Beauregard went on to explain that he has been asked by several student senators to initiate grievance procedures against the administration. "I am considering it," he said.

If filed, the grievance by Beauregard would center on the administrative tie-ups he has experienced during the process of bringing the complaint to a hearing.

At this writing Adams, Clark, and Rasor were not available for comment.

Recently Clark spoke about the complaint with students in the program. "He said he is willing to negotiate on the cost of steam

## Weather Rain on the way

The National Weather Service thinks we are due for a change in the weather. According to their forecast, it should

be raining when you read this today. We may have a short break with some partial clearing Thursday and Friday

but more rain is expected for the weekend. High temperatures for the next few days are expected to be between 45 and 55, with lows in the mid 30's and low 40's. Light winds are part of the outlook for the duration of this forecast. □

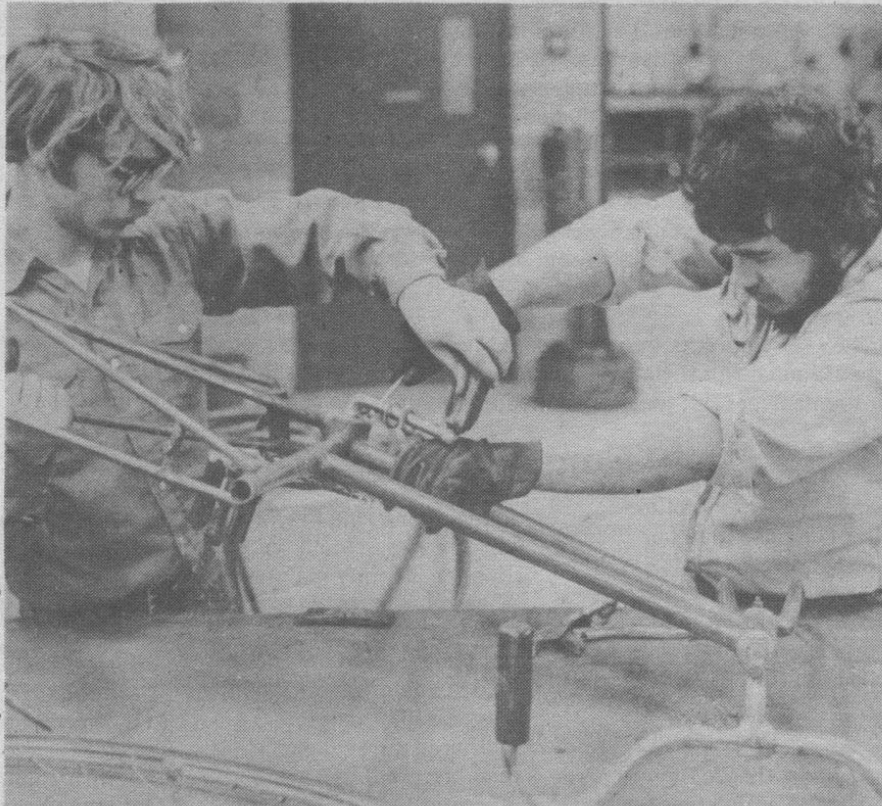


Photo by Rich Bergman

Welding Club students Keith Howell of Monroe and Pat Boudin have been aiding Santa Claus this pre-Christmas season by fixing broken toys as a part of their group's efforts to help LBCC reach out to the community.

# EDITORIAL

## Drawing nigh to 1984: those far out possibilities are happening now

by Sue Storm

Now that we are nearing the end of our "great bicentennial year," during which we have been obsessed with looking backward, I suggest we have a look at what's to come. 1977 brings us one year closer to that famous cliché called "1984." Being still in that questioning restless period of my life, I feel compelled to figure out for myself what is just cliché and what is actual stark raving reality.

I am young, of course, but I think I can truthfully say that in my lifetime more radical changes have occurred than in any other period of time in history. Things are changing so fast that I often feel what I thought yesterday is obsolete today.

A friend of mine who is married and has always wanted kids just learned she is pregnant. When I shared this happy bit of news with my younger sister, her first response was: "Is she going to have an abortion?" Now my sister is only eight years younger than I am, technically still a part of my "generation." But there is obviously a million years of changing society between us.

Abortions are legal now, and deemed necessary in this over crowded world. Another concept that has necessarily become legal recently is that of "brain death." A person whose heart beats and lungs breathe can now be declared dead if it is proven that his brain no longer functions.

It is becoming more and more difficult to determine what constitutes life and death.

The U.S. Supreme Court has ruled that executions no longer violate a constitutional right. Now it is up to each state to decide this sticky question for themselves. But the condemned are beating the courts to it. In at least two

states, men on death row have requested that they be executed rather than spend a lifetime in prison. Is it only a matter of time before we see the advent of Kurt Vonnegut's "suicide parlors," where a person can voluntarily submit to death with the full approval of society?

On the other end of the spectrum, it is becoming possible to prolong life endlessly. In Oakland, Calif. a young girl was brutally murdered. Her parents had her brain cryogenically frozen with the hope that scientists would someday be able to "clone" it into another body exactly their daughter's. Cloning is a genetic process where it is theoretically possible to reconstruct an entire body through the duplication of a single cell.

What is this leading to?

There are other areas where progress is growing by leaps and bounds. In particular holds ominous implications for the future—the field of psychological advertising. The people who hold the money in this country are spending a great deal of it perfecting the art of advertising to a fine tool. This tool may some day become a powerful weapon. Picture the possibility of the same methods that today convinced you to buy a certain mouthwash sometimes telling you to commit suicide for society, or to support genetic control for the good of the human race.

It is very possible. And very frightening.

A nightmare scene keeps recurring to me. Once I saw a possum running down the middle of a city street. There were no trees, nothing but pavement. He kept dodging from side to side but could find no relief from the asphalt and artificially lit world around him. He was an anachronism, left over from a different age, with no place to fit in.

How fast is the human race, as we know it, becoming an anachronism?

## LETTERS Commuter climbs absurd heights: hitchhiking article stresses only the negative

Editor's note: The following letter is longer than our policy states we will print. However, I believe the letter makes some very valid points and I am relaxing the policy to print it at this time.

To the Editor:

At times the *Commuter* climbs the alpine heights of absurdity like a true pro. An example of such a notable endeavor is the article on hitchhiking in the Dec. 1 issue.

I have been hitchhiking on a somewhat regular basis since I was 16, that's 8 years. The miles traveled are frankly innumerable. In all this hitching I can only

think of one ride in which my life was actually in danger. I firmly maintain that my experience is not the exception, but the norm, largely because my friends and acquaintances who hitch have similar histories. I am bothered at reading misinformed, narrow, and apparently biased treatment in print of a viable educational and enlightening alternative to other modes of transportation.

The bizarre, the dangerous, the frightening aspects are always stressed in print because of their sensational nature. The norm is always bad press

and consequently the status quo stresses these negative aspects. I'm sure that part of the reason is that hitchhiking strikes an effectual blow at the way things are, symbolizing a rejection of acceptable mores and status association with automobile ownership. Hitchhikers are often counter culture so easily dumped on by media. It's safe to misrepresent a social segment that may not be aware of and probably won't take time to respond to negative press.

The last two paragraphs in the article are incredible. "Don't hitch on 99." I don't understand why not, nor

does the article point out the rationale (?) behind the statement. "Look the driver in the eye." Another unexplained statement. I would surely like to know what kind of criterion this is supposed to be! The last bit of advice is surely the apex of the article, supposedly a quote from an experienced hitchhiker, "Don't unless you have to!" This is ludicrous.

I say DO! Hitchhike if you want to meet a fantastic array of people and learn just a bit more about human nature. Hitchhike if you are bored, if you want to proselytize. Hitch if you want to unravel those ugly loose ends. If you want to go somewhere, hitch, if you don't know where you want to go, hitch. If you want some fulfilling experiences, hitchhike! Conversely, if you are not really into hitchhiking, pick one up. You can have these same experiences if you pick up some of those people along

side of the road. The propaganda in the press is pushed by law enforcement agencies, concerning the danger involved is unbalanced, full of half truths and misinformation. Let's transcend the nonsense and lack of truth prevalent today. Give us a chance.

Much of this does not apply directly to the *Commuter*. However, I surely wish the *Commuter* would quit this preoccupation with the unimportant and immature "safe" issues. This newspaper has the opportunity to transcend trivial and deal with vital controversial issues that confront all of us daily. *Commuter* is about as controversial as Mother and Apple Pie. Where is the good old fashioned radicalism? Where have the flowers gone?

In hope of a new birth,  
Larry V. Bunnell

## No to pocketbook Christmas

To the Editor:

This is the season to be grateful, grateful for what we have gotten, life, liberty, and the ability to pursue our own happiness.

Courtesy of our beloved manufacturers, this is the season to purchase our happiness. What ever happened to the good old fashion Christmas? The items made by the family for their family and loved ones, items that were made with love, not a ten percent profit, and only to last 'till next Christmas. Why should we be assaulted by the Madison Avenue junk peddlers from Thanksgiving to Christmas. Are they really telling us that it's

unAmerican to make (with love and care) your Christmas gifts, but it is American to buy your families' love? How many times have you heard, "your mommy and daddy tell Santa that you want for Christmas"

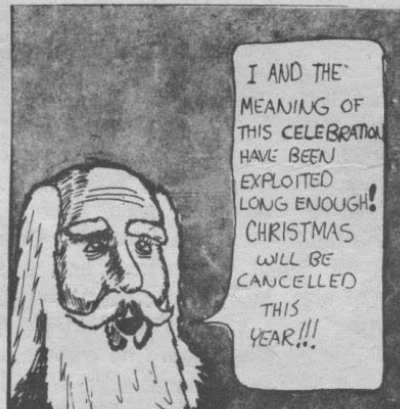
Isn't it time to see that through the last few years the manufacturers have bought Christmas right from under our noses.

Isn't it time to look at our own happiness—where does it come from? Your family or your pocketbook?

It might be too late this year, but think about it for next year. It's time to start

Phil Sarro

## HAROLD AND FRANK by T. R. Gregg



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# Colorado schools sue VA for overpayments to veterans

(CPS)—A suit has been filed by the Colorado attorney general's office seeking to prevent the Veterans Administration (VA) from collecting more than \$1.4 million in overpayments from Colorado's colleges and universities. The overpayments resulted from students that were enrolled under the bill failing to attend class, dropping out after the semester had begun or decreasing their course loads.

The VA is relying on a federal statute that says the school must pick up the tab if the schools fail to inform the federal government within 30 days about students who aren't fulfilling their educational programs.

The suit, filed in Denver's U.S. District Court, basically "questions the

federal governments' authority to make the states pay for mistakes the VA made," explained Colorado's Assistant Atty. General Dave Engdahl.

Engdahl explained that such a requirement is impossible to satisfy since it requires such procedures as professors keeping daily attendance records of the veterans in their classes. Taking daily attendance "would interfere with the normal administration of the schools," he added.

Colorado is arguing that the 30 day requirement is unconstitutional since the federal government doesn't have the authority to require the states to provide such information, or to single out such a group and subject them to constraints not placed on other

students. Engdahl said that most colleges are lucky to get their students enrolled and billed, let alone monitoring one special group of students.

The VA has a choice, Engdahl said, it can either try to collect the overpayments from the schools or from the veterans themselves. It is obviously "a damn sight easier" for the VA to hit the schools up for the money since there is less work involved in contacting schools than there is in tracking down the student.

"We won't be satisfied until they call off their dogs and leave the colleges alone," he said. Moreover, it appears to Engdahl that the VA is oblivious "to the Administrative Procedures Act and the rudimentary concepts of due

process."

U.S. Circuit Court Judge Sherman G. Finesilver delayed action on a temporary restraining order motion, in order to give federal officials time to decide whether they would voluntarily agree to a 90-day freeze on collection efforts.

Early in November, the VA refused to agree with the 90-day freeze. Engdahl said the state will seek an injunction against the VA to keep the feds from hounding the schools for the money until the matter is settled in court.

"The VA is just meddling in the internal affairs of the school and trying to make the schools pay for the VA's screw-ups," Engdahl said. "If it means fighting them all the way then that's what we'll have to do." □

## Senators ask about Commons rental policies

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college center policy, it was consistent with the philosophy of a community college to offer its facilities to the community. "I don't know if it's the right decision or not, but the college has every right to make the decision. We did not tell the people in time, that's our error," Needham stated. He agreed with the senators that better arrangements should be made for students who would be displaced by such activities in the future.

Students had complained to the senate office that the free coffee, donuts and sandwiches for a price ran out early in the evening. Bob Miller, college center activities director, said that he had not received any complaints in his office. Senator Rod Ortman replied, "They're not going to come to you. They come to us and complain, and we complain to you. That's what they see us as being here for."

The question was also raised about why a rental fee was not charged to the T&R restaurant, the commercial organization in charge of the banquet itself. Needham explained that this was probably because the area was rented by the Chamber of Commerce, a non-profit group. (College Center policy states that non-profit groups are not charged rental fees.) He told the

senate he would look into the matter further and get back to them with information.

In other discussions, senator Fred Beauregard reported that he was still waiting for the auto tech students to return to him the final copy of their formal grievance complete with signatures. When this is received, action will have to be taken within ten days or the matter will be dropped.

The senate voted to donate \$300 of their funds to Community Colleges of Oregon Student Association and Commissions (CCOSAC), \$150 of which was designated to the Lobbying Commission. CCOSAC has a list of nine objectives, including state wide community college child care facilities, that they plan to lobby for when the state legislature opens Jan. 6.

A motion to support the movement to establish more lockers on campus was passed unanimously. It was reported that Vern Farnell, dean of business affairs, was looking into the possibility of obtaining 250 surplus lockers for the college.

The meeting ended with an approval of the motion to hold a senate meeting next week, even though it was not originally scheduled. □

Letter

## Student wants more Commuter coverage of clubs

We the students of LBCC have expressed a desire many times to know what is happening on campus. Most of us expect to be able to find out what is happening at LBCC by reading the *Commuter*. We cannot.

The 24 of November, the MMO showed a movie in the Forum. After the movie an LBCC student won the door prize of \$111.00. The

*Commuter* was there and took pictures but there was not one word about this in the next *Commuter*. They

had a week to write the story and develop the pictures (admittedly that included a holiday but the *Commuter* doesn't go to lay out till Tuesday evening and they had advanced notice).

The children's Christmas Party was announced in the *Commuter* last week: in two places with two different times. I hope no child missed the party because they were brought out at nine and their parents did not want to make two trips to the school.

The *Commuter* is a co-curricular activity. That means it is both a class learning experience and a student service. Part of its funds come from the ACCF budget (our fees). That means we are paying for the *Commuter*. While I agree the *Commuter* should cover more than just the clubs and campus activities, I feel it is currently giving us very poor coverage in that area.

Pat Christman  
MMO, doc, ASLBCC  
Student Government

## LBCC not liable for VA overpayment

by Mike Blackshear

Prompted by recent reports that the Veterans Administration is being assailed in the Colorado courts over the issue of overpayments to student veterans, the *Commuter* made a quick check with LBCC's veterans office about this issue and its implications pertaining to this campus.

LBCC has never been held liable for an overpayment to its student veterans.

When student vets reduce their course load or drop out of classes after the semester has begun, they may continue to receive educational disbursements for the term for which they registered. However, every term the

secretary of the vets office goes through all the vets files to ascertain if the students are completing their required course load. If there has been a reduction of hours, she notifies the regional office of this fact, and soon the vet receives a bill for the overpayment, if there has been one.

Other news on the veterans scene: 187 vets were lost from LBCC's rolls since implementation of the delimiting date for vets in service prior to 1955. This means a loss of about \$50 thousand a month from the local community. Apparently, community wide efforts to gain support to bust the delimiting date weren't successful. □

## Veterans' voice New benefits explained

The Vets Office would like to remind all the veterans that if you earn less than 6 credits, you are entitled to tuition reimbursement only. The payment schedule goes like this:

- (a) less than 6 credits = tuition only
- (b) 6 credits = 1/2 time
- (c) 9 credits = 1/4 time
- (d) 12 or more credits = full time

When you are registering be sure you fill out the blue card in the registration packet to continue your benefits even if we certified you for the entire school year. If your non-veteran friends ask you tell them not to fill out the blue card.

Under new V.A. laws if you served 18 months or more of active duty you are now entitled to 45 months of benefits, provided you use them within 10 years of your release from active military service.

Effective June 30, 1977, there will be no more advance payments. If you are a summer student you will receive your advance check for June, 1977 on or about June 1 and your next check August 1. If you are taking a break this summer and return in the fall you will not receive your first benefits check until November 1, 1977 for the period of September 26 and all of October. Now is the time to begin preparing

yourself by saving a few bucks each month for the first months living, registration and book expenses.

The Veterans' Office is providing free calendars that include the pay scale and other interesting info for veterans. If you haven't got one yet, see Mke; he is located in the Commons every morning of the week.

Remember, *Standards of progress*: if you receive W's, Incompletes or your G.P.A. goes below 2.00, your veterans benefits will be in jeopardy.

The Veterans' Office will be open from 8 a.m. until 8:30 p.m. on December 15th to assist you with registration. In January, we will be open on Saturday morning the 8th and 15th from 8 a.m. until noon to help you with any veteran related problems. So if you can't make it during the week, we'll look for you on Saturday morning.

What program of study did you designate to the V.A. when you started school at LBCC? Lower Division, Accounting, Auto Tech or General Studies? If you are taking courses in anything other than your designated program you might be generating a huge overpayment. We had one vet hooked last year for over \$5000. Any question? If so, come to the Veterans' Office, CC121. □

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# Children's Christmas party a success, kids greet Santa

LBCC's children's Christmas party was a great success if numbers are any indication. Nearly 300 children were merrily entertained while they eagerly awaited the arrival of Santa Claus in the Commons last Saturday.

As expected, when you have that many children to entertain, it's difficult to schedule programs and keep on schedule, said Judy Hecht who was in charge of the program. "But, all the activities and events that were planned go on," she said, "though not necessarily in the order in which they were to happen. The play was scheduled to be shown twice but the

kids would have none of that. They all wanted to see it together."

The children's reaction to the play "How the Troll Saved Christmas," written by LBCC instructor Steve Rossberg, showed that it was very entertaining.

Children also enjoyed the Christmas stories read to them by Jenine Webb. Included in the stories were some she wrote herself.

LBCC's Folk Dancing Club put on a customized dancing program, and afterwards the kids were invited to participate. □



Jim Perrone

Christmas play captures the imagination of children



Diane Haas

The LBCC Christmas party gave some of the lucky children individual attention...

## calendar

Wednesday, December 8-

Christians on Campus mtg. 12 in the Willamette Rm. □

Thursday, December 9-

Publications Committee mtg. 12 in Board Rm. A □

democrats on campus mtg. 12 in the Willamette Rm. □

Students for Dialectic Society mtg. 1 in the Willamette Rm. □

Chess Club mtg. 2 in the Willamette Rm. □

Culinary Arts French Dinner 5:45 p.m. in the Alsea/Calapooia Rm. □

Friday, December 10-

Programming Council Art Sale 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Commons Alcove □

Folk Dance Club mtg. 2:30 to 4 p.m. in Commons □

Saturday, December 11-

CCOSAC Board of Presidents mtg. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Willamette Rm. □

Monday, December 13-

LBCC Feminists mtg. 7 p.m. in Board Rm. A □

Thursday, December 16-

Veterans Administration mtg. 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. in F 104 □

LBCC Board of Education mtg. 7:30 p.m. in Board Rms. A & B □

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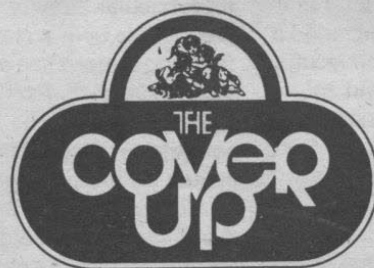
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# LBCC memorials established

by Patty Massey

Larry McKennon gave a lot of time and support to this school. Therefore, it is appropriate that following his recent death, other people are now giving in his name.

McKennon was instrumental in establishing LBCC, and he was actively involved in the recent drive to pass the tax base. Two days after it passed, McKennon died suddenly of a blood condition.

School board members voted to use the remaining tax base money to create a scholarship fund in memory of McKennon. More recently, the Faculty Board of Representatives voted to contribute also.

Such gifts are accepted and disbursed by the non-profit LBCC Foundation. The foundation, started in 1972, is young by foundation standards. But the generosity needed for it to grow is not lacking.

Like McKennon, Tom Fisher and Paul Jean are remembered in a special way through memorial funds. The Paul Jean Memorial Fund was created to

provide short term emergency loans to those with unusual financial medical needs. The Tom Fisher Scholarship Fund will be available to his 6th grade classmates who attend LBCC in the future.

Many groups and individuals make both cash and non-cash contributions. But what's most important is the spirit of giving that lies behind the donations, according to Lee Archibald, executive secretary of the foundation, "It's a very altruistic type of concept," he commented.

The foundation receives an average of four contributions a month. The donations have ranged from a copy of a Stradivarius violin to a \$2300 calculator. Many of the roses and rhododendrons on campus were contributed through local garden clubs.

"Like a human being, a foundation goes through stages of growth," explains Archibald. "The natural thing to follow would be for those students who have received, to give when they leave LBCC." □

## Artisans Alcove



freelance photo by Cheryl Nicklous

### A deer

Upon this marsh:  
tulee reeds,  
secrets in the tiny  
hidden one flowers.

A flight  
in slow  
of graceful white.

So much seeing  
and smell.

For hiding she comes:  
the deer.  
Tender fleeting,  
so so quiver...  
she watches me  
with full  
and liquid eyes.

Leaping across the eons,  
to the Garden  
once more  
we've come;  
holding  
this brief space  
between us.

Randall McCloud

# Tide turns, retaliates against thoughtless greeting cards

by Mike Leedom

How many of you write informative and "interesting, up-to-date" Christmas letters? You know, the ones filled with exciting news like, "Guess what? Johnny's been accepted by Harvard!" Or, "Melvin, my brilliant husband (who was just promoted again and now earns \$160,000) just bought another yacht. The big Silly. He says we should take another trip up the Riviera in it. Oh, and by the way, did I tell you? The Kennedys have invited us once again to their big Christmas bash—what a time we had last year. I guess you know, too, that little Susan is maintaining her straight A average at Radcliffe..." (sigh).

Worse yet, how many of you innocent people like myself are plagued with these boring letters that start rolling in from Nov. 1 to the last part of January? Well, this year I'm getting back. I'm going to write my own letter. A form letter of course, printed on pretty, recycled newspaper on a broken mimeograph machine:

GREETINGS TO ALL!

Hi! The Finster Family wishes you season's Greetings again on this blessed year 1976. May His shining light shine bright upon your face and give you a skin condition.

Well, to start out the year with a bang, our fourteen year old daughter, Betty Lou, gave birth to an illegitimate, bouncing baby boy, whom she proudly

named Rocky Jr. after the father of the child. As soon as we find Rocky Sr., Betty Lou and he will get hitched—beneath my 12 gauge if necessary.

The State Penitentiary finally let me talk to Delbert, my beloved husband. After his ten year prison sentence (or his break-out, whichever comes first) we will proudly welcome him home to our now bankrupt laundromat business.

Speaking of businesses, our 18 year old son, Clod, is now involved with his new love, garbage collection, after successive failures at school, parachute proving and dynamite testing. The loss of his right arm hinders him only slightly, though, as he is growing up to be quite a big boy. He is 6'9" and 267 lbs. now. We were finally able to purchase shoes for him—size 19EEE—and as soon as he learns his colors, we will color-code his shoes so he can tell them apart...then we tackle the big job of tying laces.

Surprise! My gall bladder operation was a success. Not only did they remove my gall bladder, but they detected a malignant tumor and removed my left lung giving me three weeks to live. Thank God. It could have been worse.

More good news. Our darling three month old Siamese triplets don't have pneumonia as expected. Thank

goodness its only diptheria.

Our 16 year old Harry is doing fine now. As you know, last year, he developed a severe case of acne which caused him to have a regressive complex. But all his troubles are over. He wrecked his motorcycle at 70 mph on the freeway and completely scraped his face away. I hear plastic surgeons can do wonders these days.

Speaking of surgery, Bertha, our seven year old daughter, recently had an unsightly hairy wart removed from her forehead. Now if those talented plastic surgeons could do something about the thick black hair she proudly shaves from her face daily...

The only catastrophies we encountered were the cancellations of our favorite TV reruns Petticoat Junction, Green Acres and The Beverly Hillbillies. Fortunately for the children, that nice, wholesome show "Starsky and Hutch" is still being shown.

Well, as long as the welfare checks keep coming in, I'll be able to afford the stamps to send you next year's letter—providing the postal rates don't go up again.

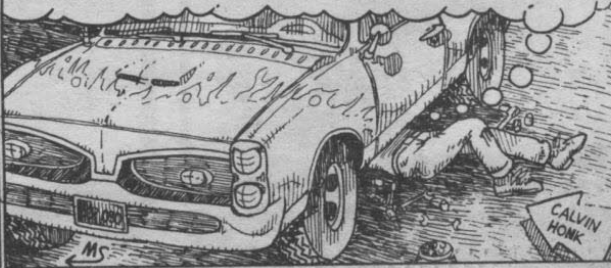
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# LBCC owned van involved in accident, none seriously injured

by Jim Perrone

An LBCC owned van, carrying Jean Schreiber and seven woman students, was recently involved in a one vehicle accident. After hitting some icy pavement, the van skidded and rolled down an embankment.

All eight passengers were hurt, but none seriously. Only one of the eight who were treated at Good Samaritan Hospital in Corvallis was admitted, but since then has been released. Student May Herrington was said to be suffering from fractured ribs was held over for observation. Others hurt but

released were Jean Schreiber, instructor, and students Betty Haynes, Lillian Reinert, Janet Ruzek, Virginia Carr, Karen Gregory and Weigellia Trook.

The accident happened when Scheiber, who was driving the van, and seven students of the class "Ages and Stages of Adults" were on their way to Yachats for a training session. They were about seven miles west of Alsea, when the accident occurred.

This incident was the first reported injury accident at LBCC since the motor pool was formed about seven

years ago. Up to now, LBCC has had an exceptionally good record according to Ray Jean, facilities director. He estimated that the vans had gone approximately 350,000 miles without an injury accident before this occurred. Added to this is the use of private vehicles used for school. When this is taken into account, the total miles driven over the years on school business might well be approaching a million. LBCC has had fender accidents that have required some repair, but this one will require a bit more in the way of repairs. Damage was quite

extensive to the van involved, but it can be restored to good condition, according to Jean.

"We're in the process of getting three insurance estimates now," said, adding that the college has \$100.00 deductible insurance on college owned vehicles.

LBCC insurance not only covers damages, but pays medical expenses for passengers as well, according to LBCC's purchasing agent, Dale Reed. "Each passenger in an LBCC vehicle is covered by \$5000.00 in medical insurance," said Reed. □

## LBCC directors lunch with legislators

By Cindy Busse

In an effort to promote understanding and communication between the college and the state legislature, the LBCC Board of Directors hosted a luncheon here last week with several legislators attending.

The representatives present at the luncheon were Clifford Trow, district 18 senator; Max Rijken, district 38 representative; John Powell, district 19 senator; Mae Yih, district 36 representative; Tony Van Vliet, district 35 representative and Bob Marx, district 34 representative.

These representatives, from Linn, Benton and Lincoln counties, will be voting on actions to be taken concerning community colleges in future state legislative sessions. The purpose of the luncheon was to acquaint them with the college, its goals, purpose and functions, and perhaps give them a fuller understanding about what kind of a school they are voting on, and how it affects the community.

The legislators were told that the school is proud of their placement service: of the vocational students, 85% of them are placed in jobs they are trained for. At a time of high unemployment, it was explained, the school is able to find jobs for most of their students, before and after

graduation.

"Oregon community colleges are an envy to other community colleges," director Russ Tripp stated during the luncheon.

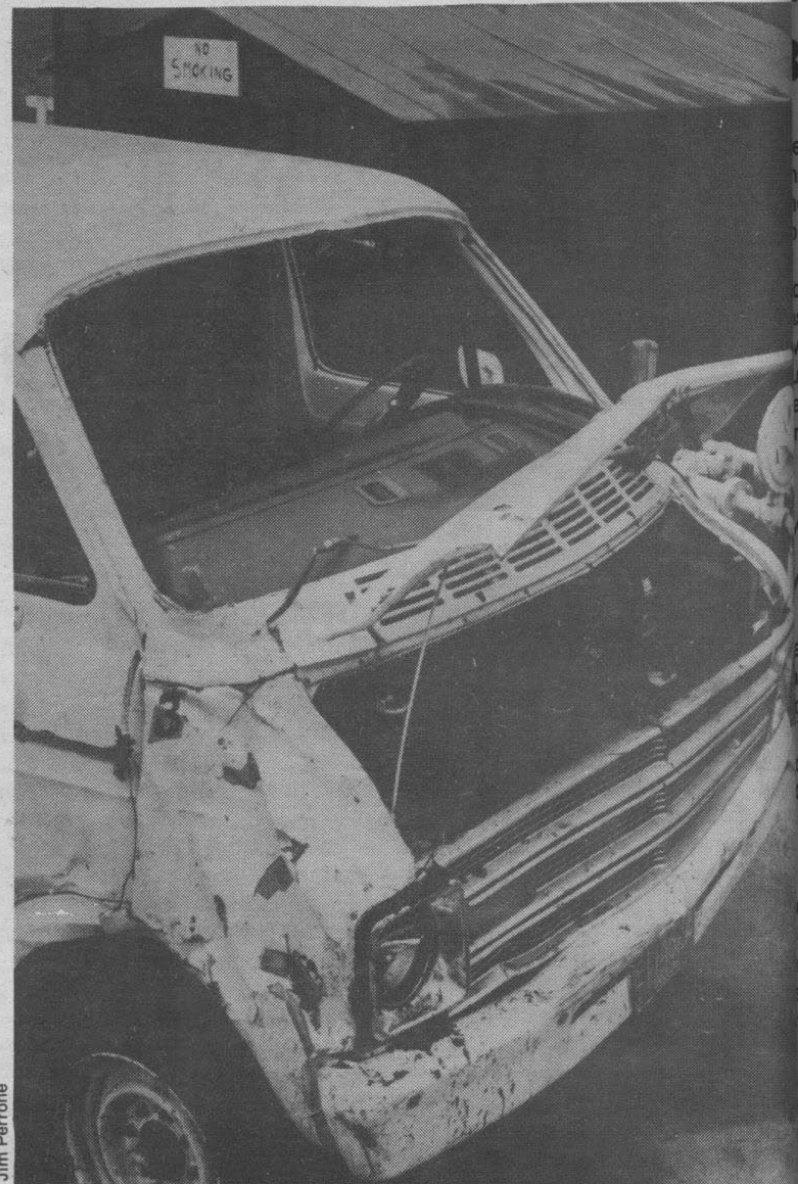
In the past, the school has been able to add around four new programs a year. This is slowing down now, due to leveling enrollment and high costs.

Diesel mechanics is a new program the school is presently trying to establish. The farming, logging and trucking communities have been asking for diesel mechanics. The directors feel there is need for the program.

President Ray Needham explained the cost difference between the community college and a four year university. Classes at the community college are more expensive even though tuition is about half the cost of most universities' tuition. The difference in costs is paid by the taxpayer.

Tripp said that the college doesn't want to duplicate programs of other colleges when there isn't a community demand for a certain skill. The college tries to duplicate programs only when the job market in this area has a demand for that skill.

The luncheon ended with a tour around the campus. □



Jim Perrone

One of the school vans was recently damaged in an accident when a college group was going to Yachats.

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### Tryouts for 'Pooh'

The LBCC drama dept. is planning to get off to a quick start on its winter term production. The planned production is an adaptation of the original children's story, Winnie the Pooh. Tryouts are open to the community, and are being held from 3 to 5 p.m. on January 3, 4, the first week of school. There are parts for twelve characters, both male and female, and rehearsals will be from 4 to 7 p.m. five days a week. Anyone wishing additional information should contact Steve Rosenberg in F 108 or phone ext. 7.

### Swing Choir today, art sale Friday

There will be a performance by the LBCC Swing Choir today at noon in F 104. □

The Universal Creative Theater Club of LBCC is having an art sale this Friday in the

Commons Alcove. Representatives of the Ferdinand Roten Galleries will be on hand to display both original paintings and prints. The prints will be for sale, with prices ranging from \$10 to \$100. □

### Last paper of quarter

This is the last paper of the term. The *Commuter* wishes everyone a merry Christmas. Our first paper next term will be published the second week of school. □

### Bookstore buys back used texts

With the end of the term drawing near you might be interested to know that you can get some extra spending money by selling your text books back to the bookstore.

Most of the text books that LBCC uses were published within the last three years. Since this is the average period that a text remains current, it is best to sell your books as soon as your courses are completed. If your books have not been

reordered by the instructor, they will be appraised from a wholesale catalog, and about 20% to 25% of the original price will be refunded. Most books, however, will bring 50% of their original price.

The bookstore will buy back your books at the following times only: every Friday from 1 to 4 p.m., and all during the last week of school. You do not need your receipt, but you will be asked to show your student body card for identification. □

### Volleyball ends on winning note

Tim Trower

The LBCC women's volleyball team had only one objective in mind when they took the floor at George Fox College on Tuesday, Nov. 23.

Earlier that same evening, the Roadrunners were defeated by Clark College of Vancouver, Wash. by scores of 15-11 and 8-15.

"They went to win and that's exactly what they came up with," stated Coach Cox, referring to LBCC's season ending contest with George Fox. "The team was quite satisfied with finishing the season on a winning note."

After romping to a 15-3 victory in the first game, the Roadrunners were losing 8-14 in the second game before Linda Smith took her turn to serve. The time she had finished serving, she had reeled off six consecutive

points, knotting the score at 14-14. After two change-overs, Iris Winslow served three points, giving Linn-Benton the game 17-15, and the match.

"Against Clark CC and George Fox, the team played very consistent volleyball," said Cox. "It was the best they played all season."

Although the triumph was only their second of the year, it gave the spikers a lift, according to Cox.

"Winning that last match helped to draw the team back together he commented. "It was a long season and we're glad to see it end. Now we can get the cobwebs out and look forward to next season."

Among those returning next year is Linda McLelland who was selected to the All-Region team at the regional tournament. □

### Hoopsters helped by hot hand

by Mike Kennedy

Over the weekend, the LBCC basketball team defeated Willamette University's junior varsity team in the finals of the annual Roadrunner Tournament.

The Roadrunners got to the finals by defeating the J.V. team from Pacific University Friday night, by a score of 106-63.

LBCC jumped on Pacific early and took a 47-33 lead into the locker room at halftime. In the second half there was little change. The Pacific team was out scored 59-30 by the Roadrunners in the second half.

The Roadrunners enjoyed an excellent shooting night. They hit .546 from the field, connecting on 41 of 75 shots. Pacific could manage only .305 of their shots, making 27 of 72.

The Roadrunners showed a balanced scoring attack, having six players in double figures. Nick McWilliams and Chris Gunderson shared top scoring honors with 17 points each. Following them were Don Smith and Vern McDonald, with 15 and 14 points, respectively.

Leading rebounders of the night were Smith and McDonald, with nine and seven respectively.

Saturday night, LBCC went to work against the J.V.'s from Willamette. Willamette gained a berth in the finals

by defeating Linfield Friday night.

The Roadrunners had a little tougher go of things compared to the night before. The stubborn squad from Salem refused to let the Roadrunners slip away. LBCC ended up with a slim, 43-35 halftime lead.

In the second half, things didn't change much. Both teams exchanged buckets, with LBCC finally getting the upper hand, enabling them to go on and win, 89-74. The victory gave the Roadrunners the winner's trophy.

Willamette put up nine more shots than LBCC, but the Roadrunners hit 37 while their opponents connected on 31. That gave LBCC a .500 from the field, compared to .305 for Willamette.

As for rebounding, Willamette won the battle of the boards, 46-41. Leading rebounder for LBCC was Tony Westerberg with ten. Don Smith once again contributed, getting six boards.

Smith also was the leading scorer, hitting 10 of 22 shots from the field, for 21 points. Right behind Smith was guard Tim Dungey, who connected on 9 of 13 shots from the field, for 20 points.

The Roadrunners have now won five out of their first six games. They will host Mt. Hood CC tonight and OSU's J.V. team Saturday night. Tip off time for both games is 7:30. □

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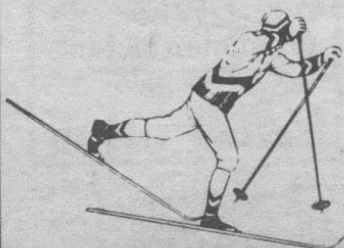
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