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## LB plans to guarantee graduates fit for employment



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A proposal to guarantee LBCC's education is designed to ensure both students and employers that vocational graduates will get sufficient training in entry level job skills in their field of study. If employers hire LBCC graduates and find they are lacking in skills,

the college will provide training of up to 16 credit hours in the deficient area. In addition, transfer students would be promised that their transferable credits at LBCC will actually transfer to a four-year Oregon university, or the money for the course will be refunded.

## Employment boom cuts enrollment

By Marge Warner  
Staff Writer

An unexpected dip in winter term enrollment has taken LBCC officials by surprise.

Based on fourth week information, enrollment shows a 3 percent decrease from last term.

"Over all, we're down a total of 40 FTE (full-time equivalency)," said Blaine Nisson, director of admissions.

The Department of Education which supplies LBCC with dollars, has changed the process of allocation for reimbursement for FTE.

In the past, the allocation formula was based on averaging enrollment over a consecutive three-year period. Now, they will be relying more heavily on what is happening with this year's enrollment, Nisson said.

Jon Carnahan, vice-president of instruction, is looking at ways to increase enrollment and generate additional FTE. One possibility being considered is offering some computer classes on Friday evenings and all day Saturdays, Nisson said.

Another area that is being reviewed by Carnahan is

targeting the college's market to the other potential kinds of students such as single parents, displaced homemakers and reversed transfer students.

Nisson cited the improved unemployment situation in Oregon and people returning to the work force as reasons for the dip in enrollment. Currently, Benton County has one of the highest employment rates in the state. "People who are here just barely making it may interrupt their education and go back to work to get the family going again or get their finances on a more even keel. They may come back at a later date to finish school," said Nisson.

The administration will be looking at all the departments, review all of the resources and expenditures and will consider budget cuts. Another alternative will be to find ways to generate additional FTE, Nisson added.

"When you get down to a bare-bones budget and you see enrollment drop everybody gets extremely concerned. Eighty percent of LBCC's budget is in salaries. We are a people oriented facility," said Nisson.

"We'll do everything possible to make sure that our students are successful and are able to stay in school and meet the needs of the community," Nisson said.

By Keith Rude  
Staff Writer

LBCC may soon be able to advertise a slogan like Chrysler's "We back 'em better because we build 'em better."

College officials last week unveiled a proposal to back their graduates with a guarantee promising money back for transfer courses that don't transfer, and tuition-free retraining for vocational graduates who are inadequately prepared for their first job.

According to Jon Carnahan, vice president of instruction, the proposed "Graduate Student Guarantee" program is composed of two facets— one dealing with transfer students and the other vocational graduates.

The program is an outgrowth of a committee called CAPA (Committee on Assessment, Placement and Advising), which recommended several ways to improve instruction and student success, said Carnahan. If approved, it would affect students graduating this spring.

Under the proposal guarantee, LBCC students planning to transfer to a four-year Oregon college within two years after graduation from LBCC will be guaranteed that their courses will transfer.

"If a student graduates with a "C" grade or better in a course that is not accepted at a four college, we'll refund the money for that course," said Carnahan. Such classes must be listed as transferable, and dated 1987 or thereafter to qualify.

LBCC students pursuing an Associate of Science degree in an occupational field will be entitled to a warranty also, Carnahan said.

According to guidelines prepared by Carnahan, when employers hire LBCC graduates to work full-time within a year of their commencement and find them lacking technical skills normally expected of entry-level employees, the following would apply:

- Skill retraining, of up to 16 credit hours, will be guaranteed in the deficient skill area. Enrollment is limited to courses regularly offered at LBCC, and they must be completed within one academic year.

- The college will furnish the cost of tuition and fees. However, the graduate or employer must bear the cost of books, supplies, uniforms, transportation, insurance and other related items.

- The employer must certify in writing that the employment is lacking entry-level skills within 90 days of employment, and the job must be certified by the LBCC Student Placement office as being directly related to the graduate's program of study.

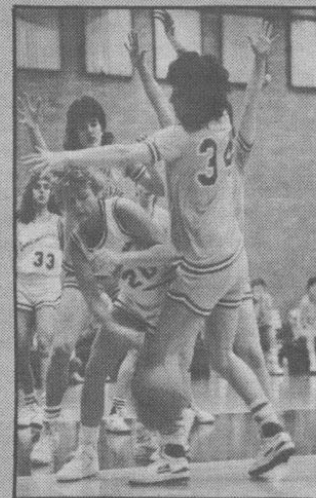
- The graduate, the employer, and a college counselor, with advice from teaching faculty, will develop an appropriate course retraining plan.

- The graduate must meet all prerequisites, corequisites and admission requirements. Failure, audit or withdrawal of a retraining course are applicable to the 16 credit limit.

"Our priority over the last few years has been looking at access for students, assessment of students, proper placement of students and success of students in all programs," Carnahan said. "We've been working towards a reaffirmation of excellence."

"The faculty we presently have do a good job and are committed to the students," he added, "without commitment it would be hard to guarantee something."

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## Editorial

### Better drivers needed today; not stiffer safety belt laws

The good intentions of pro-seat belt lobbying groups may be misdirected in efforts to create legislation for mandatory safety belt laws in Oregon.

The concern to diminish traffic fatalities on state roads and highways is a compassionate cause. However, increasing the responsibilities of an already over-burdened executive and judicial systems is a wrong approach.

Emphasis on educational programs in schools and private businesses can greatly influence the public's traffic safety habits. Encouraging the use of seat belts will probably be more generally accepted than dictating laws that are regarded as infringements on personal choice.

The use of safety equipment during the use of motor vehicles is a common sense practice. The consequences of not wearing seat belts are mostly suffered by those people choosing not to wear them.

Studies have shown that safety belts can be life and limb saving. But once the state mandates the use of seat belts, will it be responsible for cases when evidence can prove that not wearing belts would have resulted in fewer serious injuries?

Oregon already requires anyone under the age of 16 to wear safety belts. Other laws to eliminate traffic deaths and injuries because of accidents have been enacted. For example, lower speed limits and laws against drunken driving have been somewhat successful.

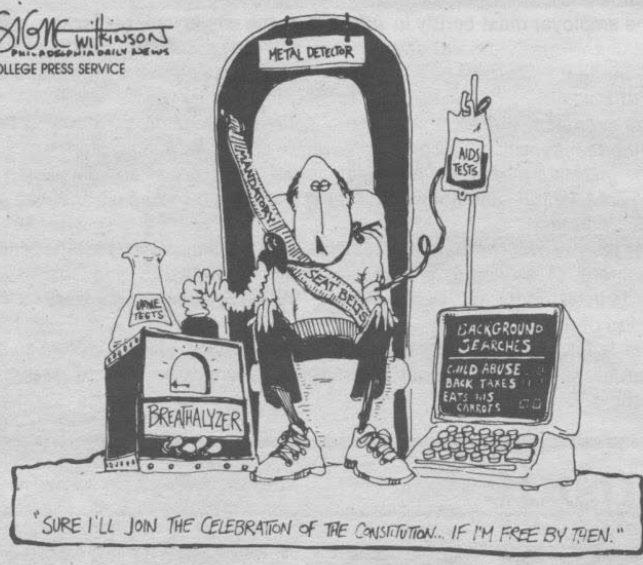
However, these laws are more feasible to enforce, and the principle of these laws is based on the control of vehicles. Wearing safety belts does not make better drivers.

If a law for mandatory seat belts is enacted, it should be because the people of Oregon want it to be.

Let people vote on the issue.

— Dale Owen

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## Street Beat

### Should Oregon enact a mandatory seat belt law?



Brad Goodman, theatre arts

Yeah, I think it should. Studies have proven that seat belts save lives. Too many people die on highways and a lot of those deaths could be avoided if people wore their seat belts. Some people argue that it would restrict people's freedom but I don't see how. For some people it's not convenient to get in a car and always remember to put on a seat belt, but if you make it a habit it's not any kind of infringement on your life. Seat belt laws are intended to help individuals live safer, healthier lives.



Brent Babbitt, business

The way it is now is fine. I think that up to the age of 16 seat belts should be required. Even if it's made a law, people aren't going to abide by it. I think more people are going to complain about it and just won't do it. You can't make people do what they don't want to do. It would be a good law but a tough one to enforce.



Betty Kerns, mail clerk

No, that's just another example of privacy. That's something else that is infringing a little bit on a person's choice. Some people say they would have died if they hadn't been wearing their seat belts. Others say they would've died if they were wearing them. For myself, they are kind of a nuisance.



Dawn Nichols, registration

I think it should be left up to the people. I do agree with a seat belt law for children under 16. But for adults, they should decide if they want to take the risks or not. If people were made to wear seat belts I don't think they would. People know if they should put one on. I guarantee I put my seat belt on during rush hour traffic. The drivers out there are crazy most of the time.

Compiled by Dale Owen and George Petroccione

## Guest Column

### Legal services too valuable to be destroyed

By Cynthia Dettman  
Staff Writer

The rooster guarding the hen house at the federal Legal Services Corporation has turned out to be a fox in disguise, and a rather hungry one at that.

Clark Durant, appointed by Reagan to chair the corporation's board, told the American Bar Association recently that his program, which funds legal aid offices for the poor, should be abolished.

In response, ABA representatives called for his resignation.

Durant's statements are one more bizarre example of the administration's repeated efforts to do away with legal services for the poor. Reagan has justified these attacks by waving the almighty budget-balancing axe, but a few statistics and a little history show that his motive is purely political.

The Legal Services Corporation's budget this year is \$305.5 million, a mere drop in the federal bucket. That money funds 325 legal aid programs around the country, each with field offices in remote rural locations and depressed urban centers, where the poor are concentrated.

Only 2.4 percent of the budget is used for federal administration of the program. Compared to other top-heavy federal bureaucracies like the Defense Department, legal aid programs are models of efficiency.

The principle underlying these programs is that poor people should have equal access to the courts. Fortunately, both Congress and the ABA, who are not known as radical rabble-rousers, agree. Thanks to their unflinching support, Mr. Reagan has been unsuccessful in his efforts.

So why are legal aid programs one of the president's pet peeves? Because Reagan was sued by legal aid attorneys while governor of California to block several illegal attempts to cut social programs. They also fought for the rights of farmworkers laboring in the fields of Mr. Reagan's rich agri-business buddies. It's one thing to have laws protecting the poor, but its another thing to have the nerve to enforce them!

When the president can't persuade Congress to axe a

program, he moves to Plan B: cut the funding as much as possible, and put people in charge who don't believe in the agency's work. They issue new regulations in keeping with the administration's conservative views, and make the program as toothless as possible.

Over the last seven years the Legal Services Corporation has lost funding and many offices have closed. New regulations have made it more difficult to lobby in state legislatures or to file class actions on behalf of the poor. This latter tool has allowed attorneys to more effectively challenge actions that affect large groups of poor people, and therefore came under attack soon after the president took office.

Durant also told the ABA that laws should be "deregulated" so that poor people could be represented by less expensive paralegals. Reducing the citizenry's dependency on lawyers is an attractive proposal, but not a viable substitute for legal aid programs.

First of all, poor people's legal problems are no simpler than rich people's. Secondly, poor people usually face lawyers on the other side, as well as a variety of conscious and unconscious prejudices against them within the legal system. Many legal aid clients are women or minorities with little education or self-confidence. Their bargaining power in this system is often not equal, and having a lawyer helps to even things out. Finally, legal aid clients live at or below the poverty level and can't afford to hire representatives, lawyer or not.

One more year to go with the smiling man who carries the big axe. Meanwhile, the disabled, elderly, homeless, battered women, and the rest of those ungrateful poor people better get out their law books and start getting ready for court, just in case Mr. Durant has his way.

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# Falling enrollment threatens budget deficit

By Todd Powell  
News Editor

LBC's overall operating budget for the 1987-88 fiscal year is facing an estimated \$423,000 deficit, according to college officials.

The State Department of Education has recently reduced the 1987-88 Full-Time Equivalency (FTE) reimbursement allocation due to the college's decline in enrollment.

Annually, the State Department of Education reimburses the college for the number of full-time students that it educates per year.

"The Department of Education pays us (LBC) somewhere between \$1,300-1,500 per FTE," explained Pete Boyse, assistant to the president.

According to Boyse, one FTE represents a full-time student who takes a total sum of 45 credits in a year, which is an average of 15 per term.

Based on the state's education formula the college originally anticipated generating close to 4,250 FTE per year, he said. "We're down about 150 FTE from our original estimation," said Boyse. Last year the college yielded about 4,150 FTE. Boyse pointed out that LBC is one of the lowest cost per FTE among all of Oregon's community colleges. "It's nice and neat that we're so efficient, but that's why our budget is so tight—because we use every single dollar we have—whereas some of the other institutions

might have a little more of a cushion there," said Boyse.

George Kurtz, vice president of business affairs, said that FTE funding is the most vital part of the college's existence. "Our funding is so heavily dependant on FTE that whenever we don't quite meet our target it has a major impact on us," he said.

Kurtz said that 54 percent of the college's total revenue is dependant on FTE. Therefore, student enrollment "has a long term implication," he said.

Alternatives to the money shortage are being discussed by college officials weekly, when they assemble during president's council meetings. Two of the "possible" solutions are increasing student tuition and making various cuts in programs across campus, Boyse said.

"Increasing tuition is a good possibility. As a matter of fact that's something we haven't done for a while. It's about time," he explained. Last year the college decided on a one dollar tuition raise, from \$18 a credit to \$19, and it went into effect last fall term.

Another solution possibility would be to slash funding in different LBC programs. Boyse said, "what we're trying to do rather than panic a lot of folks right now, is to try and get our estimates as close as we possibly can—but we want to let people know at the same time that things aren't all

rosy—we have to let them know that there could be some problems."

The college's \$15 million budget is constructed by several sources but it largely derives from tax collections, state reimbursements (FTE) and student tuition. "Those are the three major sources, although there are lots of small ones," he says. A couple of the smaller ones were through various college grants and the budget's bank interest money, which is reinvested in "good opportunities," he said.

Boyse informed that tax collections are termed "flexible revenue" because they can only make an estimation on the rate of return. "We estimate we're only going to collect 86 percent of the \$6.7 million levy (which was passed by Linn and Benton county voters last election)."

He added "the reason it's at 86 percent is because unfortunately everybody doesn't pay their property taxes every year. If a higher percentage pay than expected, we'll be in better shape."

Although no final decision will be made for a while concerning the budget and its resolutions, Kurtz assured "we have a pretty good handle on it."

"Frankly, (the money problem) is going to be something that's with us for the foreseeable future. Hopefully, it won't be as serious next year," he said.

## Culinary art students prepare for big boom in food services

By Vera Larsen  
Staff Writer

LBC's culinary arts students are getting prepared for the big boom in the hotel-restaurant tourist business, said chef Scott Anselm. "There are so many more jobs than there are students to fill them," said Anselm, adding that food service is one of the biggest industries in the state. The Oregon Coast is one of the target areas for restaurant and hotel businesses to spring up, said Anselm. "We have a pretty state, and tourism is being promoted more and more," he said.

Preparing students to meet these needs is a challenge Anselm has taken on as LBC's new chef training instructor.

"Our goal is to train students to be able to work into any entry-level supervisory position very quickly. They won't be ready to be a chef right off, but they will be prepared to move up through the ranks very quickly," Anselm said.

Students plan, prepare and serve about 400 meals a day in the college cafeteria and the department restaurant, The Santiam Room located on the second floor in the College Center.

First year students concentrate on learning the basic skills such as sanitation, safety, short-order cooking and table service. They also take part in the preparation and service of cooked-to-order foods in the Santiam Room.

Second year students work more on picking up their speed and refining their skills.

"It's not so much harder in the second year, as it is a change in learning techniques," said Anselm. "It takes more judgement calls. They have to be able to look at something, and very quickly decide whether it's done, etc."

Second year student Kelli Hickey said, "It's very fast paced. We joke around a lot, (to alleviate the pressure,) but we're serious on the Santiam line," (the line is what the students call the cooking line and serving routine from the Santiam Room Restaurant.)

Keith Skribbs, first-year student, said he loves the pressure, and enjoys what he is doing.

"It's a nice mixture of theory and practical work experience," he said, holding out his hands. "I think it's an art—you put out a product and present it to a person, and get their response to it. You're creating something."

Hickey agreed, saying that Anselm has brought in a lot of new ideas to help make the food preparation more of an art.

"We make more elaborate things," she said, "like braided pizza, shrimp canapes and deviled eggs with caviar. We even make our own sausage links," she said, explaining how they put the sausage into the skins.

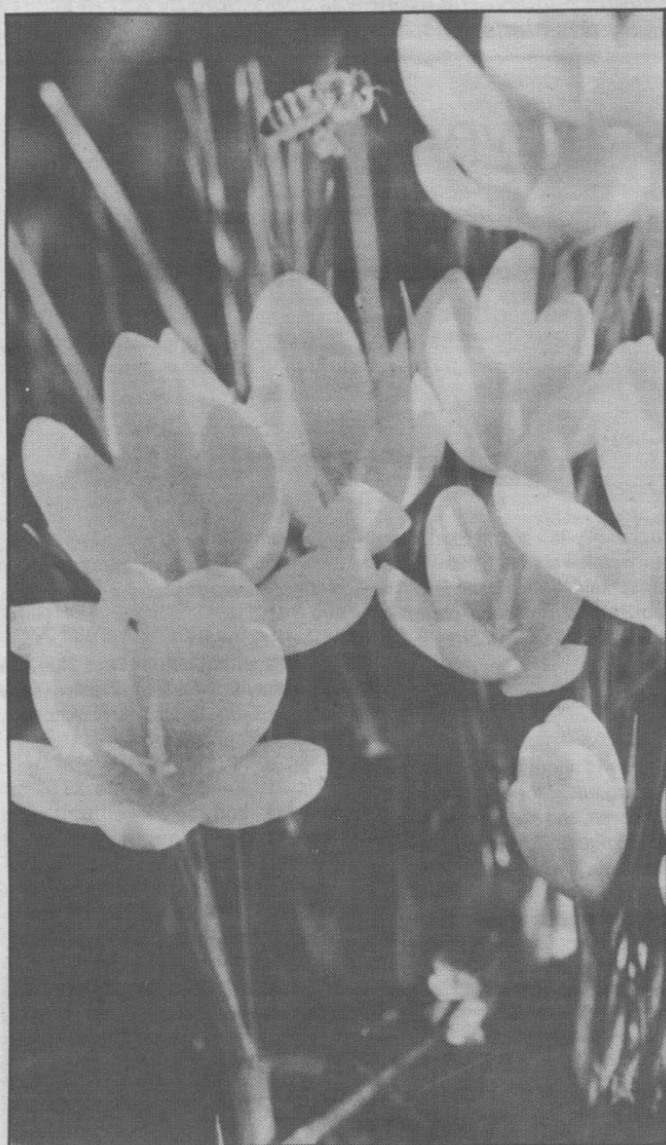
With all the fancy things they make, however, Anselm said the things they sell the most are burgers and fries. They also serve veggie-burgers, salads and a variety of other "natural foods" to meet the needs of those on campus who are health conscious.

Anselm noted three major food trends in the general population. "There's a lean towards more health consciousness," he said, "and people are going for more highly spiced foods, like Cajun, (from the south,) Seswan, (a province in China known for its hot, spicy foods,) Mexican and Italian. High quality take-home food at grocery stores are getting more elaborate delis, and even hiring chefs," said Anselm.

Anselm expressed enthusiasm about working with the students to meet these expanding needs.

"I'm excited about the chance to work with students two years." Anselm previously worked with students one year at Magers Culinary Institute in Portland, where he came from before coming here.

"I think I can really get them prepared to meet the needs arising, and," he added smiling, "that way I'll be able to go to the coast and get good food!"



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## Spring Fever

A worker bee takes advantage of the spring-like weather to pollinate crocuses in the LBC courtyard. Last week's warmer temperatures, with highs around 61 degrees, and a few scattered showers, brought some early signs of spring. Sunny days and cold nights will continue today and tomorrow with increasing clouds by this weekend. A high pressure weather system off the coast is expected to hold up another day or two.

## Etcetera

### Resource Assistant

Students with physical disabilities or hearing impairments who are interested in summer positions for the Resource Assistant Program may contact the Disabled Student Services office in LRC 200 for information and application forms.

### Poetry Reading

On Tuesday March 3rd, poet Robert Huff will visit Oregon State University. Huff will read and discuss his work, and he'll perform a few pieces by others, including Dylan Thomas. The readings will be in the Memorial Union Board Room, on the OSU Campus, at 4 p.m.. For more information contact John Domini or Tracy Daugherty, OSU English Department, 754-4286.

### Volunteer Management

Marlene Wilson, internationally known authority on volunteer and staff management, will present a one-day workshop, "A Day with Marlene Wilson," at Linn-Benton Community College on March 4 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Aisea/Calapoola rooms. Specific topics include Personal and Organizational Power, Motivation Featuring Managers as Enablers of Others, and Problem Solving Techniques. Cost is \$22.50, which includes lunch and workshop materials. Wilson's books will be available for purchase at the seminar. Registration deadline is 5 p.m. Monday, March 2. To register or for more information, call 967-6108.

### Time Management

Through a special arrangement with the Franklin Institute, Linn-Benton Community College will present the highly acclaimed "Focus Time Management Seminar" in March. Sponsored by LBC's Training and Economic Development Center, the seminar will be held from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. on Thursday, March 5 in the Aisea/Calapoola rooms. Registration deadline for the seminar is Tuesday, March 3. Cost is \$125 and includes lunch, materials and a six-month professional time management notebook.

### Photo Exhibit

"We Drew a Circle," a nationally-recognized photographic exhibit which features the portraits of people with developmental disabilities and their families and friends, will be displayed in Corvallis at Roger's, SW 3rd & Madison, from March 1 through March 7. For more information, contact Roger King, ARC Benton County President at 753-5040 or 753-7229(home).

### Parent Resource Fair

"Families: Changes and Challenges," Linn-Benton Community College's parent resource fair, will be held on Saturday, Feb. 28, from 8:30 a.m. - 3:15 p.m. All activities will be on the main LBC campus. A resource fair featuring information and representatives from community resources, libraries and service agencies will be available from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the Commons, second floor of the College Center Building. A K-12 student art show on the theme "What A Family Means to Me" will be part of the activities. The cost for "Families: Changes and Challenges," is \$1. Participants can register at 8:30 a.m. on the day of the fair. High school students are welcome to attend. For more information on LBC's "Families: Changes and Challenges," call 928-2361, ext. 384.

### PSU Visitation

A representative from Portland State University will be on the LBC campus to talk with students March 2 at 9:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. in the Commons of the College Center.

### Lunch Bunch

A special Lunch Bunch featuring Albany attorney William Brickey will be held Wednesday, Feb. 25 at noon in the Willamette Room. Brickey will make a presentation on the experiences he had in participating in a cultural exchange involving the American Bar Association and the Supreme Soviet of the USSR. Bring your lunch.





## Cheap Thrills

by Perry Koontz

Those with inside knowledge, purposeful in their quest for the biggest and the best, wait for the sun to go down—wait for what the daylight people only can hope for.

To catch winter Dungeness crab, one's easily within legal limits, it is best to go at night, during the slack water of a high tide.

Crab come closer to shore at night and closer yet during high tides. Though most types of crab nets will yield some captives, a three-ringed, open-topped net seems best.

There are many places for crabbing along the coast, but the one I've found to be the most bountiful for "land-lubbers" with a preference to nocturnal pot-watching, is the public dock below the bridge in Yaquina Bay at Newport. The place is no secret, but the time to go is not well known, despite it being common knowledge among local fishermen.

To "crab" off of the public dock, you'll need at least 70 feet of rope and 85 feet would give you a little extra to work with. Bring as many lawn chairs as needed, a bucket to put the crab in, a lantern to see by, a ruler to measure the crab with, and some bait that is going to work. A few bottom fish that have set out in the air for at least two days work well as does the decaying carcass of any large fish. What appears disgusting to you will more than likely be appealing to the crab, so go for the grunge when choosing bait.

A local tide table, available at most sporting goods stores, will provide you with the basic facts (when high tides will be, how many of what species you can have, what size is legal, etc.). Be sure you can tell the difference between a male and a female Dungeness crab. Misjudgement can lead to an unknown fine.

There are a few words of "wisdom" not found in the tide table that may alleviate problems and facilitate an abundant harvest. Below I've listed a few:

- Wait at least 15 minutes between checking the nets. Give the crabs time to find the bait.

- When pulling the net up, do it as quickly as possible. The big ones are strong swimmers and can escape if you don't.

- If laying down the net near a piling, avoid having the net go under the dock where it could snag up.

- Wire the bait to the net to avoid seals from stealing it.

- If the current is beginning to flow and you'd still like to continue crabbing, find a 10 to 15-pound rock to help weigh down the net. Just set it next to the bait.

- Change the bait after about 15 sets to ensure the attracting odor is present.

- Keep the captured crab in sea water so they will live as long as possible. You don't have to boil them alive. They'll still be good to eat if dead; just not as fresh.

- Carefully throw back the little ones. Some will survive the fall and grow up to be big ones.

- Just one more thing. If you are a Dungeness crab fan as I am, you already know not keep crab with soft shells. It's perfectly legal, but chances are there will be little meat inside and it tastes different than meat from hard shelled crab.

Burning the late-night oil isn't always for hard work and studying. Sometimes it's rewarding to stay up and play, but watch out for those pinchers!



The Commuter/GEORGE PETROCCIONE

### Take It Off

Carla Harmon and Greg Hinojosa perform "Same Time Next Year" for the annual LBCC Dinner Theatre in the Commons Sunday. The event was sponsored by ASLBCC, and the dinner prepared by culinary arts students.

## Student representative position opens

By Marty Endicott  
Staff Writer

The ASLBCC Council of Representatives is taking applications for a new Business Division representative.

The position opened when Kila Mayton, the business representative elected last spring, resigned during the Feb. 18 council meeting. Mayton said that her respon-

sibilities at home, schoolwork and council duties were too much. "I had to set my priorities," said Mayton.

Anyone interested in filling the position must go to CC 213 to get an application. The deadline to submit the applications is March 4. The applicants will be interviewed during the March 11 council meeting. Afterwards, the council members will vote to determine the winner.

## 'Artichoke,' tender love story, opens Friday

By Ron Vearrier  
Staff Writer

LBCC's performing arts is presenting the drama "Artichoke" written by Joanna Glass and directed by Jane Donovan. The play portrays a six-week period of Margaret and Walter Morley's life. The setting is in present time on a wheat farm in Canada during the summer.

"Artichoke" is a tender-hearted love story which also has many funny moments, said Jane Donovan. The play portrays a six-week period of Margaret and Walter Morley's life.

The setting is in present time on a wheat farm in Canada during the summer.

The story is about a love affair between Margaret Morley, played by Vicki Cochran, and her foster brother, Gibson McFarland, played by Bill Rea. The story also deals with the Morley's rocky marriage and how this love affair with her foster brother is justified, Donovan said.

Evening performances are on Feb. 27 and 28, March 6 and 7 at 8:15. Matinee performances are March 1 and 8 at 2:15.

Along with Cochran and Rea the cast includes Russell Beck, Diane Eubank, Cam Jones, Terry Whitsett, and Ben Bonnlander.

Tickets for the play are \$3.50 for students and senior citizens and \$4.50 for adults. They are available at French's Jewelers in Albany, the In-kwell in Corvallis and the Theatre Box Office at LBCC. Box Office hours are 11 to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday.



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# Family ties extend to campus when teacher is parent

By Louisa Christensen  
Feature Editor

To Kathryn he's a best friend. He's a coach and teammate to Wade. He's Kerri's number one fan. The advantages of having a father who teaches at LBCC far outweigh the disadvantages, say the children of Art Bervin, English instructor; Dave Bakely, PE/health instructor; and Bruce Moos, animal science instructor.

"My dad and I have a good time," says Kathryn Bervin, explaining how she leaves cookies and flowers by her father's door and exchanges notes with him on the chalkboards of his classrooms. "If I know he has a class at a certain time, I'll leave a note on the board in Danish." Her father, who taught in Denmark for a year, will answer back.

"My dad knows a lot, but I don't go to my dad at all for schoolwork," says Kathryn, once a business major now an English major. "Except, maybe I'll ask him for math help. I'd really rather do it on my own."

Kathryn's philosophy is that she

must be independent and her father agrees. "She set out on her own to be an international business major but she decided she liked humanities better," he says.

Did having a father in the English department influence her to switch? "No, my father didn't influence me at all," Kathryn says. "I just thought humanities was more my forte. Business was cut-throat...I wanted to experience something else."

According to Kathryn, her father has not had an effect on her education. She came to LBCC because she received a scholarship. "But there's more of a drive for me to succeed here," she says. Her dad is around to observe how she is doing in school and "if I get bad grades, it would reflect on my dad. I don't want to fail because my dad is here."

To Wade Bakely, who is on the LBCC track team, his father is a teammate and coach. "We spend more time together at school working out than at home," Wade says.

Wade has had a few classes instructed by his father, since he is interested in the health and PE field. Wade observed that "there wasn't a big difference in our relationship." His father has had some of his other

children in class and says, "it shows the kids a different side of you—a whole different person. This is not good or bad, just a unique experience to view that side of the parent."

Wade, who will soon receive an A.A. in health and PE, is more aware of what's happening in health and education because of his father. "It helps to be his clone," Wade says, "I haven't suffered and I haven't had any problems."

Because father and son work so closely together in school and on the track, Wade may "catch it at home or during class," his father says. Much pressure is put on Wade to excel but "good things happen in both arenas," he says.

The biggest advantage for Wade is the motivation his father gives him to achieve in academics and sports. "Track in high school wasn't as exciting. Now, it's more satisfying to do well with my dad around," Wade says.

Kerri Moos, communications major and guard on the LBCC basketball team, considers her dad one of her biggest fans. "He comes to almost every game. He really supports me."

Although her father supports her, he didn't influence her decision to come to LBCC. "I wanted to go to a junior college," Kerri says, and she received the Clemmon's scholarship from Philomath High School.

Her father says LBCC is better for her because she will have "more time to explore, and settle down. At a four-year college Kerri would have giant expectations and be loaded down with work," her father says.

Having Kerri at LBCC is a "real delight" her father says, because they get to spend more time together. "I haven't had much to do with her growing up," because father and daughter do not live in the same house. "I hope now that Kerri is at school I'll be able to give her some ideas and have input," he says.

Since Kerri is a communications



Being a parent-teacher "shows the kids a different side of you—a whole different person," says Dave Bakely, track coach and father of Wade, who is a pole vaulter and runner on the track team.

major, she doesn't see her father in class, but she does think that if other teachers know her father, it might affect how she gets treated in class. "You have to make sure you're prim and proper or fake it or something!" she says.

But Kerri is also proud that, "since people know my father they will

associate me with him."

The best part about having a dad at school is, "knowing that he's close and he loves me," says Kerri. "Sometimes I don't know anyone in my classes and I can go to my dad to see a friendly face. When I'm having a bad day I can even go cry on his shoulder."



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## Women's role in history celebrated

By Carrie Cox  
Staff Writer

Next week LBCC will celebrate Women's History Week, an annual series of daily events honoring the achievements of women throughout history.

"Women's History Week is for all members of our society to recognize and celebrate the lives of countless women of all ages, races and cultures for their many accomplishments throughout history," said Marion Cope, director of the Women's Center and acting coordinator on LBCC's Women's History Planning Committee.

"Honoring Generations of Courage, Compassion and Conviction" is the theme for this year's Women's History Week.

The scheduled events read as follows:

**Monday 12-1 p.m.**

"Women and Alcoholism: Coping as Adult Children of Alcoholism," conducted by Ann Marie Etheridge, an LBCC counselor.

**Tuesday 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.**

"Women in the Arts," poetry and literature readings by students, staff and faculty.

**Wednesday 12-1 p.m.**

"Women and AIDS: Why Should We Be Concerned?" conducted by Mickey Wenner, an LBCC nursing student.

**Thursday 11-1 p.m.**

"Women in the Peace Movement," a 30-minute film followed by a discussion led by Janet Brem, a member of the History Week Planning Committee. Afterward Amnesty International will be presenting a video.

**Friday 12-1 p.m.**

"Women and Anger: Knowing We're Angry and Why, and What to Do About It," conducted by Pat Berman, a Benton County mental health therapist.

All events are in Forum Room 104, except "Women in the Arts" which will be held in Takena Room 217.

Any changes in the schedule will be posted at a later date.

The committee tries to let a balance of events between political, social, health, and fine arts issues, according to Carroyl Kleine, assistant director of human resources and member of the committee.

Kleine founded LBCC's Women's History Week in 1978 after hearing about a group of women in California who wrote to the government petitioning for a federal grant.

Funding for the events comes from the Human Resources Department.

Anybody interested in becoming involved in LBCC's Women's History Week, can contact Marion Cope at the Women's Center, Health Occupations Building Room 102.

## New financial aid info offered

Information about the new financial aid rules, possibility of a semester system at LBCC, and facts about programs such as job placement will be available to students during Student Awareness Week March 2-6.

"We want to make the students more aware that the school can offer services that they may not realize," said Kathy Huft, ASLBCC member who coordinated Student Awareness Week. On Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. information tables will be set up in the Commons. The tables will have information about legislation, voter registration, the Womens' Center, ASLBCC, job placement, the counseling center, community education centers and Alcoholic and Narcotic Anonymous, she said.

Lance Popoff will inform students on the new financial aid rules on March 5 in the Fireside Room from 1 p.m.-2:30 p.m. On March 6, President Gonzales will speak on the semester system from 12 noon to 2 p.m. in the Fireside room. After both speeches there will be a question and answer period, said Huft. "This is information that the students are going to need somewhere down the road," she said. "If the students have any questions these are the places they can get the answers."

## Cancer issues discussed til Friday

Cancer awareness week continues through Friday with events on risk evaluation, lung cancer and other topics.

Organized by Jean Irvin and Arlene Crosman, co chairpersons of the Wellness Committee, the week's events are "open to the students, staff, faculty and family," said Irvin.

Wednesday from 11 a.m. to noon

and noon to 1 p.m. there will be information on lung and colon cancer in Boardrooms A and B. A specific questions and answers session will also be held Wednesday in the Health Occupations Conference Room from 3:15 to 4:00 p.m. Cancer risk evaluation will wrap things up Thursday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Friday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the fitness/activity center.





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### Folktunes

Kendra Shank and Barry Hunn from Seattle, Wash., play bluegrass and folk music in the Commons.



## Health-Wise

by Diane Morelli

# Organizations focus on Cancer Week

LBCC's Wellness Committee and the American Cancer Society are sponsoring a "Cancer Awareness Week" on campus until Friday. At the end of this column I will list the remaining activities, which are open to everyone.

The two most important things to remember in regards to cancer treatment are prevention and early detection. The classes provided this week are intended to equip you with knowledge to help yourself. Knowledge is strong medicine.

According to a 1985 report from the American Cancer Society "Cancer Facts & Figures," it was estimated that 910,000 people would be diagnosed with cancer in 1985. That figure does not include the expected 400,000 cases of non-melanoma skin cancer.

What is cancer? "Cancer is a large group of diseases characterized by uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells. If the spread is not controlled or checked, it results in death. However, many cancers can be cured if detected and treated promptly."

How is cancer treated? "By surgery, X-rays, radioactive substances, chemicals, hormones and immunotherapy."

Who gets cancer? "Cancer strikes at any age. It kills more children 3 to 14 than any other disease. And cancer strikes more frequently with advancing age. In the 1970s, there were an estimated 3.5 million cancer deaths, over 6.5 million new cancer cases, and more than 10 million people under medical care for cancer."

How many people alive today will get cancer? About 30 percent, according to present rates. Over the years, cancer will strike in approximately three out of four families.

How many people alive today have ever had cancer? Over 5 million Americans alive today have a history of cancer, 3 million of them with diagnosis five or more years ago. Most of these 3 million can be considered cured. By "cured" it is meant that a patient has no evidence of disease and has the same life expectancy as a person who never had cancer.

How many people are surviving cancer? In 1985, about 340,000 Americans, or 3 out of 8 patients were expected to be alive after five years. Could more people be saved? Yes. About 160,000 people with cancer in 1985 were expected to die who might have been saved by earlier diagnosis and prompt treatment.

Today, two local physicians, Dr. Maveety and Dr. Dengler, will discuss lung and colon cancer prevention and early detection. The sessions will be held in Boardrooms A & B from 11 a.m. - noon and repeated again from noon - 1 p.m. Everyone is invited.

According to the American Cancer Society, three out of four persons who get colorectal cancer should be saved if it were found and treated at an early stage.

Free colorectal cancer screening tests will be available for those who want one. They may be taken at home and sent to the lab by mail.

Other brochures provided by the American Cancer Society will be available in Boardrooms A & B.

A time for "Specific Questions & Answers" will be held from 3:15 - 4:00 in the Health Occupations Conference Room today.

A Cancer Risk Evaluation will be offered on Thursday from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the Fitness Center Activity Center and again on Friday from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

## Classifieds

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### PERSONALS

On March 4, 1987 there will be a meeting in the Willamette Room from 4 p.m.-5:15 for all club members/ reps and interested parties. Coffee and cake will be served. The Student Council encourages everyone interested to please attend.

Alcoholics Anonymous will meet in HO 116 Monday through Friday at 12 noon.

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### MISCELLANEOUS

Vitamin Hutch - Mental alertness aids and stimulants. Hours 11-6 Monday through Saturday, 848 Burkhart, Albany, 928-4799.

Starting Spring Term, French for transfer credit at LBCC. Contact the Albany Community Education Division in Takana Hall or call 967-6108, ext. 108.

### LOST & FOUND

FOUND: Calculator in parking lot. Call to identify. Tricia 752-6004.

Lost February 11th on Wednesday, a light blue Expo 86 hat was lost on this campus in the cafeteria. The bill of the hat is white with light blue trim and on the crown of the hat Expo is written in dark blue letters. Reward \$. Call Brian G. Brown at 367-4124.

## FEBRUARY 27-MARCH 8 ARTICHOKE

by Joanna M. Glass  
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We see what happens when the return of a foster brother reawakens desire, opens old wounds and finally causes a family to come to terms with their lives.



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## Out-of-Bounds

by Matt Rasmussen

As February nears its close and March looms ever nearer on the horizon, we at the sports desk have found the time to raise our nose from the grindstone long enough to give you an update on the state of sports.

Yesterday's sunshine gave us all an early glimpse of Spring in the Northwest. Unfortunately, along with the spring weather comes the onslaught of baseball.

Baseball in itself isn't that bad. At times it can be extremely repetitious and even boring. But those are built in flaws. The thing that irritates me with baseball is all the nostalgic media trivia and fanfare that invades sports pages year-round.

Then there are the arbitration suits of recent months. What a joke... someone would have to bat 1,000 for an entire season before I'd consider paying them \$6 million. What about pitchers who only play every three or four games? Shouldn't they be paid one third or a quarter as much as those players who play every day? Instead, they make anywhere from three to 30 times more per year.

I'm just waiting for the day when Japan and Taiwan invade American baseball. The day will come when those cheaper foreign import teams that have been tearing apart American Little-League for years will compete with the big money Yankees and Dodgers.

I knew that spring was near two days ago when the Oregonian ran a half-page professional baseball schedule, I just wasn't sure how close we were to the start of the 81 game season. I checked the latest reports from the Sporting News, cross-checked against both Sports Illustrated and Redbook—just as I had feared, the teams were already at spring training. The onslaught had begun.

College baseball is a different story. There are no TV timeouts, no commercials to muddle through and no obnoxious announcers to inundate the viewer with every bit of trivia on file at the home office.

College baseball players play the game; less into the press. Overall, college baseball is more exciting to watch than professional ball.

Coach Greg Hawk told the sports desk that this year will be as exciting as ever. He's getting pumped about the upcoming season. The team is getting into shape, and I've promised to keep an open mind while covering the LB scene. (Although it is against my nature.)

## Erickson and Hawk receive honors

By Matt Rasmussen  
Sports Editor

Dianne Erickson and Coach Greg Hawk received honors at the 1986-87 Southern Region Coach's Conference, held at Linn-Benton last Thursday.

Erickson made the Southern Region First Team and was placed on the Southern Region Sophomore All-Star team. Coach Hawk was named "Coach of the Year" for the Southern Conference.

The All-Star game is scheduled for March 8 at Lower Columbia Com-

munity College. Five sophomores from the Southern conference and five from the Northern conference will team up to play an Eastern-Western combination in the All-Star event. Hawk will join Erickson at Lower Columbia, the outgoing LB coach will share the coaching responsibility of the North-South team with the Northern Coach of the Year.

Jami Moberg was named as the Southern Region alternate.

Coach Hawk collected his second "Coach of the Year" award as the Linn-Benton head coach. His first followed the 84-85 season when the

Roadrunners went 24-6. As usual, the coach acknowledged the honor but placed the credit with his team.

"I think that it's real flattering to be elected anything by your peers and I feel good about being Coach of the Year. But it's the team that should receive the award. Had the girls not performed to their capability and beyond, I wouldn't have received this recognition. I just can't praise them enough."

Sophomore Jami Moberg and freshmen Cheryl Kundert and Andrea Powell made the Southern Region Honorable Mention list.

## Bowling competitor represents LB at nationals

Jan Spears, LBCC accounting technology major, won four awards in bowling competition during a regional Association of College Unions-International (ACUI) tournament at the University of Oregon, last weekend.

Spears placed first in women's bowling singles event. In nine games, she scored a 1,705 total, winning the all-events honors. She also won the high series award for three games with a 645 total, in addition to high game honors for bowling a 241.

Spears qualifies to enter national competition to be held at Hartford, Conn., April 3-7. She will be the only student representing LBCC at the nationals. Winners there qualify to compete at an international tournament.

According to Mitch Coleman, ASLBCC activities chairman, the teams and individuals from LBCC competed well against other colleges at the regional tournament, including major colleges. "It was real tough competition," he said.

Keith Fort, LBCC student with undeclared major, placed second in backgammon competition. Terry Alvarez, business major, made it to the finals in billiard competition and placed 14th.

LBCC also entered and competed in ping-pong, chess and men's bowling events.

If Spears decides to compete nationally, ACUI will pay for travel expenses and LBCC will pay for accommodations.

Moving to basketball, we find the Portland Trailblazers holding fast to second place of the Pacific Division. The Blazers are currently seven games above Seattle and trail the league-leading Lakers by seven and a half. Portland is on the road this week, playing tonight against the defending world champion Celtics.

Portland always plays an interesting game in Boston. Last year the Celtics' only loss at home was against the Portland Trailblazers. However, tonight may prove to be long for the Blazers who are without the services of Kenny Carr, who is out with back spasms.

In college action, OSU is doing their best to fulfill preseason prophecies that the Beavers wouldn't amount to a hill of beans. One week ago, OSU was tied with UCLA for the lead in the PAC-10 at 9-3. In one week, the Orange Express has been derailed three times and is now facing an uphill battle just to finish the season in third place. Oregon State dropped games to first-place UCLA, second-place Arizona, and last-place USC. That's right, LAST-PLACE USC, at home in Gill Coliseum, on Ralph Miller Court, in front of a shocked home crowd.

Anything else you boys' like to do before you all move to Montana?

One thing is for sure: If OSU doesn't get the monkey off their back soon, they don't have a hope in the world of making any post-season tournaments.

OSU now travels north to face a pair of resurgent Washington teams. The Beavers will play Washington State on Thursday, then Saturday the Beav's take on Chris Welp and the rest of the Huskies from UW. Don't forget that UW defeated UCLA in Pauley Pavillion a few weeks ago.

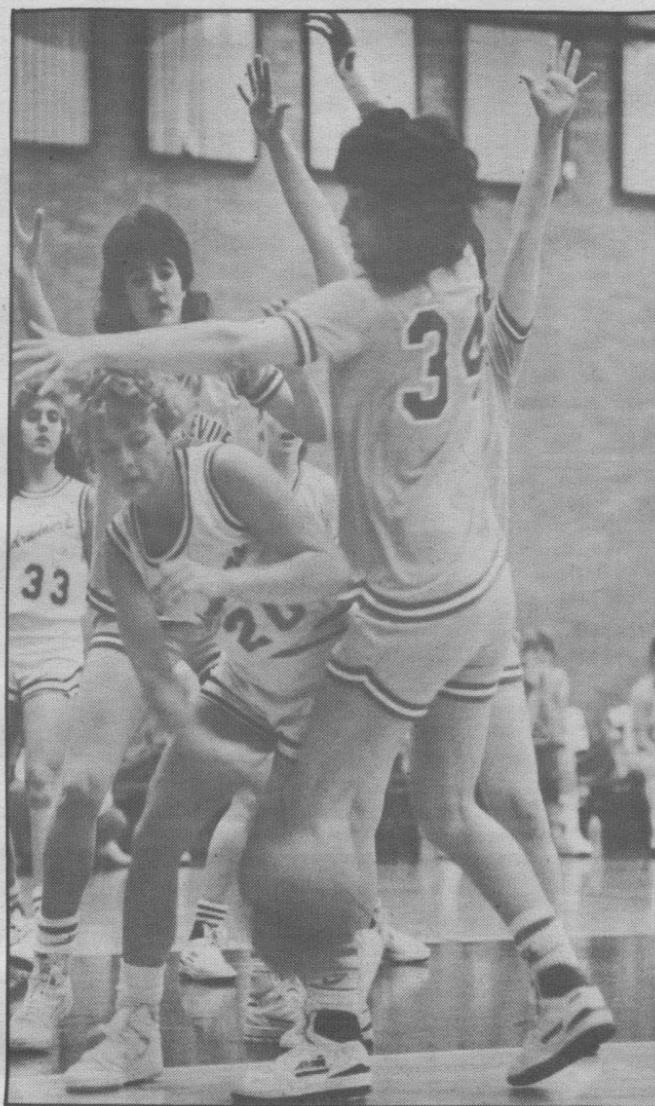
Wrestling is kicking into high gear as all America gears up for "Wrestle-Mania II", March 29 in the Silverdome, Pontiac Mich.

"Andre the Giant" vs "Hulk Hogan"...what a matchup.

Anyone who is taking this wrestling match seriously needs more help than I do. I watch professional wrestling about once a month, just to make sure they haven't gone legitimate.

The supposed abuse they heap out, and the interviews with these steroid bookends reminds me of watching the fights on the Flintstones, or intramural basketball for that matter!

Tune in next week as the sports desk covers the annual Rhino Race in the LBCC quadrangle.



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Judy Barnhart attempts to clear the ball against three Bellvue defenders.

## Women lose in playoffs

By Matt Rasmussen  
Sports Editor

Linn-Benton's women Roadrunners ended their eighth consecutive winning season Saturday night in a 63-49 playoff loss to visiting Bellvue Community College.

The loss closes LB's season with a 20-8 overall record and a 10-2 league mark that earned the Roadrunners a co-championship finish in the Southern Division.

LB jumped out to a quick 8-2 lead, but the taller Helmsmen powered back to a halftime tie at 27.

Any first-half jitters the traveling Bellvue team had were gone in the first eight minutes of the second half. In that time the Helmsmen built up a 10 point lead, and LBCC found themselves out of the game plan.

"The game just got away from us," said Coach Greg Hawk, "and we never regained our composure. We didn't run and when you don't run against a bigger team you're going to get beat."

Dianne Erickson led all scorers with 18, hitting 5 of 8 from the field for 63 percent, and 8 of 10 from the free throw line for 80 percent. Jami Moberg followed Erickson with 13 points.

The women's team started off with four straight wins before hitting a pre-season slump in tournament play. The Roadrunners were undefeated on their homecourt during league play.

"I was impressed with the way the team came along as the season progressed," said Hawk, "In the beginning we played poorly. I thought we were in for a long season, but we weathered the storm. I thought that the way we played in the middle of the season we could have beat anyone in the league."

"Definitely the gals had a super year. I thought they were over-achievers all year long. But the length of the season took its toll on us toward the end, we were tired."

Coach Hawk thought the experience the freshmen on the team gained would form a tight nucleus for next year's team. "I feel good about where the program is going in the future."

LB finished the year scoring an average 60.8 points per game and allowed only 49.9 points on defense. Erickson led the scoring with 372 on the season, averaging 14.2 per game. Andrea Powell followed with 10.6 and Judy Barnhart averaged 9.9.

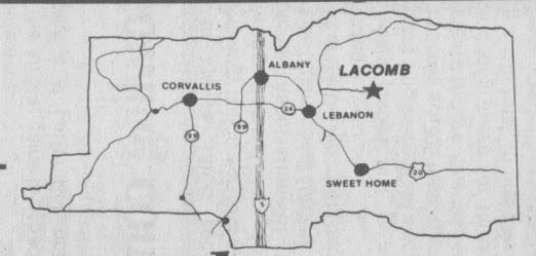
Erickson also led the team in free throw percentage at 68 percent; averaged seven rebounds per game; and had 51 assists on the year.

Jami Moberg led the team in rebounding, averaging 7.3, Powell followed Erickson with 6.6.

Cheryl Kundert followed Erickson in freethrow percentage hitting 65 percent and Powell finished the season hitting 60 percent. Both are expected to return for next year's season.



# Backroads



## Lacombe

By Ron Vearrier  
Staff Writer

The east Linn County community near Lebanon was established in the early 1860's, but did not become an official town until the post office was built in 1889.

Lacombe was going to be named Tacoma, but because the U.S. postal authorities thought there were already enough towns in the U.S. by that name, the local people decided upon Lacombe.

The town itself was not one of the founding communities in Linn County but was built more for the convenience of people living in the rural area. Having to travel a fair distance for supplies was no easy task in those days.

When built, the town had Ben Raines' general merchandise store and a blacksmith shop/post office. Across from the blacksmith shop was a saloon which was later turned into a roller rink around the early 1940s.

The blacksmith shop is known as Lacombe grocery and the post office is now a video game room. Ben Raines' store is still in use but shows the years it has been through.

Even though the Lacombe area has a population of between 200 and 300 people, it is the kind of town a traveler can pass through and not really know he's been there. Towns like this have no visible border, but seem to blend with others to create one big community.

Although the town no longer has a post office, it does have a grade school, volunteer fire department, relaxed atmosphere, and the type of neighbor who will help a friend put up a new fence without being asked.



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