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Scheduled for May 23 ballot

Board will ask for tax base hike

by Sally Oljar

LCC district voters will be asked to approve a \$784,184 increase in the college's tax base on May 23, 1978. The LCC Board of Education gave its approval to a request for an election at its meeting April 5.

If the increase is approved by the voters the additional tax revenue, the recent tuition increases and other reductions in college expenditures, will balance the projected \$1.2 million 1978-1979 budget deficit, Dean of Business Operations Tony Birch told the Board.

The tax base, currently \$4.9 million, automatically increases each year by six

percent. This increase, combined with the current base and the college's request for an additional \$784,184, will make a total tax base of \$6 million.

The tax rate will increase from \$1.35 to \$1.42. The tax rate is a dollar amount set on each \$1,000 of assessed property in the college district. This means, for example, an owner of property assessed at \$10,000 will pay \$14.20, instead of \$13.50, for LCC operation if the tax base measure receives voter approval.

If the tax base measure fails, the college has asked for another election to be held on June 27, 1978. This ballot measure will ask for \$784,184 in excess of the six percent

limitation. Unlike the tax base, which increase each year by six percent, a request for funds to exceed the limitation is a set dollar amount. Also known as a fixed serial amount, the life of the levy is limited to three years (the tax base stays in effect until voters agree to change it) for support of operations and must be specified for certain purposes, Birch said. The tax rate would remain the same. If the May ballot measure passes the June request will automatically be cancelled.

In addition to the tuition increase, which is expected to generate \$100,000, the college has reduced expenditures in other departments, Birch told the Board. Full Time Equivalency (FTE) reimbursements by the state are expected to increase by six percent next year. FTE enrollment is based on 45 hours of course work for credit per student each year.

President Eldon Schafer told the Board he is "fairly confident" that the college will have an approximate \$300,000 cash carry-over from the 1977-1978 budget.

An "increase in instructional productivity" is also expected to bring the budget in line, Birch said. Dean of Instruction Gerald Rasmussen told the Board that instructors who have resigned or retired will not be

replaced. Part-time and contracted instructors will "pick up the (teaching) load" of departing instructors. If these measures are not successful, he added, the his office will look at potential reductions in the instructional staff of each department. "I don't know that this is what's going to happen," he explained.

In other business, Adult Basic Education/High School Completion (ABE/HSC) bargaining unit members rejected the state fact-finders report of current contract negotiations between ABE/HSC and the college. Board Chairwoman Catherine Lauris said the Board "was not prepared to take a position on it (the report)," because there had not been sufficient time for Board members to study the document.

Under the law the college and the bargaining unit will seek mediation to settle the contract differences between them.

Charlene Curry was appointed by the Board to fill the Zone 3 Board position until July 1, 1978, when she will officially take office in the position. The seat was vacated by Springfield lawyer Lynn Moore, who died on Feb. 3. Curry was elected to the Board on April 4. The Board chose not to make an appointment to the position until after the April 4 election.

Lauris, Curry, Hendrickson win Board seats

Charlene Curry and Les Hendrickson are new members of the LCC Board of Education as a result of their victories in the April 3 election, along with Catherine Lauris, a current board member.

Lauris' victory for the Zone 5 (Eugene) seat will begin her third four-year term on the seven-member board. [She has also served in 1969 as an appointee to complete

the term left unfulfilled by William Bristow]. Curry, who had attempted twice before to win the Zone 3 seat for the Springfield, Marcola, and McKenzie area, also served as an appointee in 1974, completing Robert Ackerman's unexpired term. Hendrickson has not served previously on the Board: he defeated incumbent Richard Freeman, who was the At-Large representative for two terms, since 1970.

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Turning her life around

Editor's Note: All told, 20,000 community members travel to the campus each week to take classes. In a survey taken fall term, TORCH readers said they would like to read stories about these many personalities. TORCH staff writers will select students at random for interviews, but will also seek recommendations for personality sketches for this weekly column.

by Frank Babcock

"On Christmas day (1976) this dude I know called me up and said 'hey, did ya hear? They just pulled your boyfriend's body out of the river.'"

As heartlessly as she was given the news, Susan Taylor's fiancée, William Jones, Jr., had been brutally murdered with an axe as he lay sleeping on a couch in a house in Springfield. Police had discovered his body stuffed in a sleeping bag in the McKenzie River.

In the following weeks, Susan was battered with the endless horrors of the crime: The body identification, despair, and contemplated suicide.

But refusing to succumb to self-pity by drawing on a reservoir of innate courage that most people can only hope they have, she began to turn her life around -- to seek a new fulfillment and a new purpose for herself and her two children.

"I finally began to realize that death is a reality . . . that I might die tomorrow . . . (that I must) try to make every day count."

In the spring of 1977 she enrolled at LCC.

"My mind was stagnating . . . I needed some self-satisfaction -- to feel I was doing something right. I wanted to learn -- and I don't mean basketweaving."

"I wanted a challenge and that first term I made a 3.75 (GPA). Fall term I did well, too. But then last term (Winter 1978) the trial for Bill's murder was coming up and all those things I'd managed to put into the back of my head were all brought out again."

"It was difficult to come home from school with school on my mind and be greeted by a subpoena."

Yet Susan was moved by the way her instructors supported her: "You know what happened? Ingrid (Funke, LCC anthropology instructor) offered to take time off to go with me to court . . . she said I shouldn't be going through that alone. Ingrid is really a terrific person."

Fortunately, the trial ended before it began. Jones' accused murderer, Robert B. Turner, 30, faced with overwhelming evidence and testimony against him, pleaded guilty in a Lane County courtroom just as his trial was about to start. He was immediately sentenced to life imprisonment.

And Susan Taylor was freed of an agonizing nightmare.

Today, she smiles easily. At 29, her long hair and the lingering scent of patchouli oil call up memories of the "flower children" of the late 1960's.

But the carefree idealism are as faded as her jeans.

"I was a part of all that," she says, smiling coyly, "and I still believe in love, peace, caring, sharing, and honesty . . . but many of those people were not making the commitment. They began ripping each other off. So now I try to avoid those kinds of people."

Instead, she prefers to talk about school, her future, and her children.

"I like LCC. My major is business now . . . but lately I've really gotten into social science -- anthropology, sociology, psychology . . . I enjoy the way they all correlate."

But her immediate, most pressing goal is to get a job.

"I'm on welfare," she says flatly, "but it's temporary. There's no way I'm going to stay on welfare. I feel smothered by it."

"I want to work for the post office . . . be a clerk/carrier . . . carry the mail through rain or shine," she laughs. "I can meet people, get exercise, and relatively independent. It pays well, too."

"I'm planning to take the (Civil Service) exams soon."

But Susan hopes she will always have the opportunity to attend school because of the sense of accomplishment and self-worth it has given her.

"I'm really beginning to feel like my head is on straight . . . I feel good about myself. And I see my kids come home from school and they're happy and that makes me happy. It makes me suspect I'm doing something right."

KLCC microwave grant request sparks new controversy at station

by Sarah Jenkins

Just a week after a \$102,000 grant application was sent to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) to finance a microwave interconnect system for LCC's public radio station, the majority of KLCC's volunteer and paid staff members sent off a protest letter asking HEW to deny the grant.

Depending on who you're talking to, the proposed interconnect system might be called a "win-win" situation, a "co-operative" action, a "scary proposition," or a "unique proposal."

The time-table goes like this:

- On March 2, 1978, LCC President Eldon Schafer signed a federal grant application asking for just under \$102,000 from HEW to finance a 17-station Oregon public radio microwave interconnect.

- On March 8, the LCC Board of Education held a special meeting with the KLCC Advisory Board to discuss KLCC policy. At that meeting, the interconnect proposal was discussed with the Board for the first time.

- On March 10, 35 KLCC volunteers, four paid staff members, and the Program Director of the U of O's public radio station (KWAX) signed a protest letter asking HEW to deny the grant application.

Thus began KLCC's most recent controversy.

Mass Communication Dept. Head and Acting Manager of KLCC Jim Dunne, who helped write the grant application, explained the interconnect as a "way of sending (radio) signals over long distances without having lines. You just flash the signal so it kind of bounces from place to place -- it's a distribution system for sound signals."

The interconnect would be operated by the Non-Commercial Radio Consortium of Oregon, an organization of 17 public radio stations stretching from Ashland to Portland. Although KLCC is the "lead" (first) applicant, it is applying on behalf of the consortium.

Simplified, the interconnect would mean that KLCC would have direct access

(through microwaves) to the radio programming from almost anywhere in Western Oregon. Likewise, KBPS in Portland or KSOR in Ashland or KOAC in Corvallis might choose to broadcast a KLCC program at the same time it's being broadcast in Eugene.

However, this fairly simple idea raised many eyebrows and tempers on the KLCC staff. The main brunt of the controversy centers around these five main questions:

• Will the interconnect change KLCC's programming?

"The interconnect will give us some options we don't currently have," Dunne explained. "The word 'change' is always used as though if you change something it's for the worst. There is the possibility to change things for the better -- I think we have to look at it from that point of view."

"The boundaries of Lane County are not the boundaries of intellectual curiosity -- we are not an intellectual island. What goes on in the rest of the state is, and should be, important to us . . . the interconnect will give us more options (in programming) to a larger number of people," he added.

Dunne repeatedly stressed that the choice of programming (whether to use KLCC-produced programs or those from the interconnect) would be left open to the station. "We do not have to take everything -- we would choose what we want to use." He compared the system to National Public Radio (NPR) which KLCC already uses. "NPR has about 50 hours of available programming a week, but we (KLCC) only use (broadcast) about 10 hours a week of it. We can do the same thing with the interconnect."

Barbara Dicker, a KLCC volunteer and author of the protest letter to HEW, stated that at the time she wrote the letter on behalf of the KLCC staff, she (and other paid and volunteer staff members) believed that the interconnect would "take away all the volunteers. You would just have to press buttons and you'd get pre-taped shows. You would just need a core staff of three or four

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Will Gay rights spell 'Anything goes. . .?'

Commentary by Paul Yarnold

The Human Rights Ordinance, which was passed by the Eugene City Council and will either be passed or rejected by voters in a May 23 referendum, has been opposed by some Eugenians on purely religious grounds. But some of us see purely secular problems with the amendment as it presently stands.

The Eugene "Human Rights Amendment" is a common term given to a city ordinance which was passed by the Council on Nov. 28, 1977. If the ordinance is retained by voters it would make it illegal in Eugene to discriminate in employment, housing, and public accommodations on the basis of sexual orientation.

But if the ordinance stands, will gay people have the right to demand houses, jobs, and public accomodation primarily on the basis of being gay? This is a right that

many married people with children are denied when seeking rental housing, for example, and a right which single people do not have if they wish to rent or buy. When is a landlord or an employer free to decide who he/she rents to or hires?

If the ordinance remains unchallenged, are we merely tolerating homosexuality, or advocating it as a healthy lifestyle and sexual orientation? Since the ordinance puts no labels of "abnormality" on sodomy or other forms of homosexual behavior, can we assume that homosexuality can be taught as normal sexual orientation to our school children? And can we assume that gay people will soon be demanding a quota system for employment to match other minority groups such as blacks and women?

We should all support human rights as part of our legal framework -- but we must not fall into the degeneracy that says, "Anything goes . . ."; a society **does** shape its own destiny and **should** set moral standards for itself. History, if nothing else, shows us the importance of such a policy.

And probably 90 per cent of the American public still views homosexuality as immoral, and as a form of abnormal sexual orientation which is a threat to what it holds as "decent" or "natural."

On the other hand, it would be counter-productive and inhumane to provide malicious individuals with the means to exclusively discriminate against homosexuals who choose to depart from "normal" standards within the privacy of their own homes.

Yet, when deciding on the Human Rights Ordinance, we must ask ourselves: Do we want this law to serve as a social mandate -- which lends approval to open or flagrant sexual behavior of any orientation -- homosexual, bi-sexual, or heterosexual? And do we want homosexuality taught in sex education classes as normal and socially well-adjusted behavior?

Being tolerant and fair is one thing; advocating and promoting any "deviant" social standard by changing the law is another.

LCC instructor honored

by Rick Dunaven

The Eugene Downtown Association has given Leila Matheson, assistant mathematics instructor, their Employee of the Month Award.

The award was given Matheson during a short ceremony at the LCC Downtown Center. She received a trophy and a bouquet as part of the award given in recognition for courteous and friendly work performed at the Downtown Center. Matheson is the first LCC employee to receive this award.

"I was extremely surprised, but very delighted to receive this recognition," she said.

Matheson has worked at the center since it opened in 1977. "I helped move furniture before we opened and I also helped coordinate the open house for the Center," she said. Matheson said she was pleased to receive the award but also thinks this award will help the businesses in downtown Eugene become more aware of the services offered by the LCC Downtown Center.

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Tarpenning brings nationals to LCC

Many Eugenians feel that our fair city is becoming the track capital of North America. Each day and evening more and more runners and joggers seem to hit the streets, seeking competition, or just a better measure for fitness.

The University of Oregon and LCC have done a fair amount to promote this running phenomenon here, and in recognition of their efforts Eugenians will be rewarded with some top class collegiate track and field events featuring athletes from all over the nation.

We would like to extend congratulations to

LCC Track Coach Al Tarpenning who had been named director of the 1979 National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) track and field championships for men and women. The event will be held in May of 1979 at the U of O's Hayward Field/Steven-son Track, and will bring more than 600 athletes to Eugene for three days of competition.

We hope the community will continue to respond enthusiastically to these events -- and will continue to hit the streets and paths themselves -- whether for the thrill of victory, the agony of defeat, or for the satisfaction of a commitment to health.

KLCC boosts watts

Communities outside Eugene-Springfield in Lane County should be able this week to hear radio KLCC-FM at Lane Community College.

The station increased its power from 440 to 10,000 watts through use of a used transmitter purchased with nearly \$10,000 in donations raised in a 1976 Buck-A-Watt marathon.

Listeners will find KLCC at 89.7 FM instead of the former 90.3. The change in frequency was necessary due to possible overlap with other stations with close frequency and similar power.

Center offers rehab program for disabled

by Judy Bruce

This year, at least eight Lane County adults classified as developmentally disabled will depend less on state human resource funds and more on their own earning skills to make a living. And next

year, eight more mentally disabled will be working. And the year after that, eight more. And the trend will continue if Molly Holsapple has anything to do with it.

Molly is a cheerful blond who appears to be super-charged by some inner die-hard battery. She is the director of the Work Activity Center (WAC), located in one corner of the Lane Community College Downtown Center at 10th and Willamette.

WAC acts as a preparatory rung for mentally disabled people climbing from total dependency to self-sufficiency. Its goal is normalization for the 24 clients who daily attend its programs.

"These people have the right to as normal a living environment as possible," stresses Molly. "For years they've been told they can't do this or they can't do that, but there are so many things they are capable of doing."

To prove her point Molly and her staff teach work and social skills to their clients and help place them in jobs they are capable of performing. It takes about two or three years of training at the WAC before a client can enter the job market. Each year about a third of the total enrollment is ready to work either in a sheltered workshop, such as Goodwill Industries or Diversified Production Systems, or in one of the many local businesses that employs WAC people.

Many of the clients have come from institutions; and in addition to mental disabilities, 63 per cent also have physical or emotional disturbances. Although these adults are unable to compete for most jobs, there are many jobs for which they are very well suited.

"We teach job skills one step at a time," explains Molly. "Our clients learn rather slowly; but once they have learned a job, they don't forget it. Their retention is better than that of the average population."

The inside of WAC looks like an on-the-job training shop. On a typical day, metal clangs as workers adjust fittings for sewer pipes. Voices call out numbers as clients practice letter sorting procedures and bulk mail handling. Hammers pound and wood shavings collect on the floor while saws

screech through woodworking projects.

And in a much quieter corner, a classroom atmosphere prevails as clients study job safety precautions, appropriate work habits and time card preparation.

So far, the business community has been pleased with WAC employees. Some benefits to employers are that jobs are bid at minimum wage and that WAC provides supervision and quality control for its clients' work.

"Another benefit that businesses hadn't expected is that they just get a good feeling from helping our people be self-reliant," says Molly.

In addition to vocational training, WAC teaches home and practical living skills and social and recreational skills. Portable partitions divide the areas physically while teaching approaches divide them psychologically.

In the Home Living area, shelves lining the walls hold a stockpile of taken-for-granted items. Although measuring spoons, forks, glasses, toothbrushes, shave cream and shoe polish are rather easy for most people to use, they're items that require an explanation for WAC clients. Because many of the clients are overweight, they are taught how to use scales regularly and establish proper eating habits. Students in the Home Economics Department at Lane Community College have prepared menus for nine simple meals that clients are learning to cook for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

In the area of budgeting, clients are learning how to count and make change. "Do you realize that money transactions require only pennies, dimes and dollars!" asks Molly. "Working with pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters and fifty-cent pieces is confusing, so we simplify the process and work only with three money denominations."

In the Social and Recreational area, some clients gather around a "Sorry" game while others practice handshakes and proper verbal pleasantries to use during introductions.

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Grant request causes controversy at KLCC

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people to run the whole station."

She told the TORCH that since that time the staff's opinion has changed somewhat: "It's possible that it will be like an NPR system -- you can take whatever show you want, then do your own programming the rest of the time. It was never made clear what Jim Dunne and the folks he wrote the application with want to do with KLCC. If it's just to use an NPR system, we think it's a great idea. We're in favor of that."

"But if they're considering majority programming (using the interconnect the majority of the time), which would get rid of everybody who works here, then we're not in favor of it at all. Jim Dunne has said that it will be pick and choose, but it's still a scary proposition -- he may say that now and then change his mind in three or four months."

LCC Board of Education Chairwoman Catherine Lauris stated that the Oregon legislature and the Oregon Educational Coordinating Commission (OECC) have stated in the past that Oregon's public radio stations should act in a "co-operative manner." She added that the interconnect "can only be a step in that direction."

• Should the Board of Education have been informed about the grant application?

Dicker claims that Dunne and other unnamed administrators went "over the Board's head." As the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) license holder for the station, "the Board had the right to know about the writing of the application long before March 8," Dicker stated.

President Schafer disagreed. "That's not the way LCC operates when asking for federal funds," he stated. "Jim Dunne and I were following normal operating procedure on this application."

While Lauris admitted that she would have "liked to be advised," she explained that, "I'm not sure he (Dunne) had to advise us." She added that according to Board policy, approval of federal grant applications is not required.

• Can the Board reject the grant if it is deemed undesirable for KLCC?

The interconnect application is a "win-win" situation for the Board, Dunne explained. "The Board will be able to decide if they want to take part in the system. Ultimately, they say yes or no."

But Dicker disagreed. "We (the staff) discussed going to the Board (with objections to the proposal), but decided against it. The grant cannot be rejected once HEW gives it. If the Board rejected that grant, they (HEW) would take away every bit of money that is coming to the college right now. And that would have been a really unfair thing to do to LCC, because God knows how much money the college would have lost." However, Dicker said that no staff member had discussed this possibility with any Board members.

In a telephone conversation with the TORCH, Mary DeNota, Oregon program

officer for HEW's Telecommunications Commission, denied Dicker's assumptions about HEW funds. "The interconnect proposal has no bearing on any other grant or proposal through the college," she explained. "It has nothing to do with any other grant given by HEW." (While DeNota stated that the interconnect idea was a "unique proposal," she added that it is "too early to say anything" about the particulars of the application.)

Chairwoman Lauris agreed with DeNota. "We (the Board members) will be the ones signing the contract with HEW. We have the final say."

• What will the interconnect cost LCC?

In addition to the \$101,944 requested from HEW, the 17-station consortium will have to put up another \$33,982 to finance the interconnect. This amounts to a little under \$2,000 for each station involved.

"President Schafer made it very clear to me," said Dunne, "that he will not provide any additional money for this. It will have to come out of the KLCC operating budget, and I think it can... without in any way impairing what we're doing now."

Dicker strongly disagreed. "That implies to me that the station is going to be drastically changed. We are operating on a shoe-string budget as it is. If they're going to draw off another \$2,000 it has to cut somebody's salary. That implies to me that they're going to get rid of some of the paid staff."

• Was KLCC's letter to HEW the "appropriate" action to take?

Jim Dunne concedes that he "understands their position." He added, "I think it's unfortunate that they (the volunteers and paid staff) wrote the memo, but I understand and appreciate and even agree with the way they feel. It wasn't a totally unreasonable position. Had we had more time where we could have met with them and talked and explained it to them, I think their position would have been different. They felt they had a right to be consulted -- we simply didn't do it."

"It wasn't a matter of not wanting to talk to them or not thinking that they had a right, but things just moved so quickly -- it happened within a week."

Dunne also mentioned his "newness" as acting station manager as a reason for not consulting with the staff: He replaced Tim McCartney on Feb. 14, just over two weeks before Schafer signed the application.

Dicker feels strongly on this point. "I think that on that particular grant proposal, no matter how long he had known the staff, he would have tried to keep it from us anyway. I think there still would have been a lot of uproar, especially since they went over Lyndia Storey-Wilt's (then KLCC Development Director) head. She was supposed to be in charge of writing our grants!"

She continued, "I got the feeling that they (Dunne and the others who wrote the

proposal) were trying to bypass the station. One of the reasons we were scared is because they seemed to be ignoring us -- and not just because Jim Dunne was new. They had been writing that grant since early last December and they could have come to us anytime."

Dunne agreed that the grant proposal had been "in the offing" for some time prior to March 2. "People had talked about it, engineering studies had been underway for some time, some of the financial data was being gathered, but we were still trying to put together a package. Finally, all the pieces came together and we moved quickly, always with the idea that even if the grant is offered, we can choose not to take it."

Catherine Lauris, who is also president of the Friends of Public Broadcasting, stated that she was preparing letters to both HEW and KLCC on behalf of the Friends. In her letter to HEW, she plans to explain the KLCC staff (protest) letter did not speak for the Friends, although, "it seemed to imply that they were acting with the Friends' approval, which they were not."

In her letter to KLCC, Lauris said she will ask them "if they don't consider the welfare of public broadcasting more important than their own welfare." She added that she feels their action was "premature." "They were not acting on facts," she concluded.

Schafer believes that the protest letter to HEW was "a logical extension of their (KLCC's) concern." He added that he had "no real objection" to the letter. However, on March 31, Schafer drafted his own letter to HEW restating his support of interconnect.

Dunne willingly admitted that the staff members should have been consulted. "I will not say that the people who wrote that letter were wrong. If we had to do it again, we would do it differently. When people say, 'Hey, you're not communicating with us,' and they're right, that's not a problem -- that's a legitimate complaint. We've tried to rectify it and I think we have."

Disabled program

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their mobility, clients learn how to get on and off a city bus, deposit the proper fare, and conduct themselves while riding.

Because only about 50 percent of mentally disabled people can read, clients are taught survival reading. Such words as "Men," "Women," "Exit," and "Danger" are included in the survival list.

With so much activity in the vocational, home and recreational sectors of WAC, a visitor can only be amazed at the orderliness surrounding him. Each client is busy at his own project and noise is minimal.

"We treat our clients like the adults they are, and so they respond like adults," explains Molly. "Unacceptable behavior is simply ignored and adult behavior is warmly accepted."

Another reason why the program works so well is that the professional staff can devote all of its time to helping the clients. Looking for funds is not a part of the staff's job. LCC, the State Mental Health Division and Adult and Family Services take the responsibility for funding. Out of the 35 adult programs of this type in the state, this is the only one connected with and funded by a community college.

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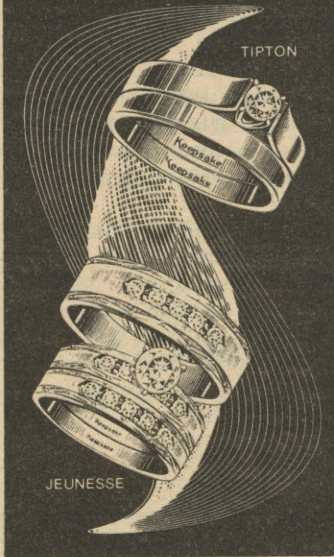
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Twenty mile walk for March of Dimes

by Sarah Jenkins

If you're hardy, hungry, or just want to exercise for a good cause, Saturday's Walk-A-Thon may be just for you.

Completing the 20-mile March of Dimes-sponsored walk around Eugene, is exercise enough to make the finishers really appreciate the coupon for a free McDonald's burger and fries they receive for the effort.

At 8 a.m. Saturday men, women, and children (all in blister-preventing shoes) will gather at the Fairground's Expo Hall to start the walk. The walkers earn contributions through pledges based on the number of miles of the route they complete.

Anyone who wants to walk and raise money for the March of Dimes can pick up sponsor forms at any McDonald's, all US National Banks, and all area schools, including LCC.

Finishers are also invited to an "R & R" (Rest and Recuperate) party after the walk at the Fairgrounds. They will also be eligible for the May 10 drawing of prizes ranging from six-months use of a new car to gift certificates.

For more information, call the March of Dimes office at 686-2170, or 345-7778.

SHS opens women's health clinic

by Rick Dunaven

The LCC Student Health Service, in cooperation with the Women's Clinic, is offering a new program called the Women's Health Care Service.

The service is designed to help prevent women's health problems by giving students information to increase their alertness to possible symptoms of disease. This service also offers women a comprehensive check-up, from breast examination to birth control devices, for a \$10 fee which includes screening for rubella, syphilis, and gonorrhea.

Laura Oswalt, student nurse and coordinator for the Women's Clinic, said one of the main concerns of the Health Service, presently, is venereal disease and birth control.

Although, on the average, only four cases of venereal disease a month have been screened through the Health Service this year, Oswalt expects an increase during Spring Term.

"Spring is the time of year when students are more sexually active," Oswalt said. "And this activity usually brings us an increase in VD cases," she added.

Along with information on venereal disease prevention, the Women's Health Service is offering information and products for birth control.

Healthful living

Accidents aren't only 'acts of God'

by Dr. Staywell and Staff of Student Health Service

The dapper, well-dressed businessman in the TV commercial walks with a carefree stride down and across a busy city street, narrowly missing cars, avoiding a can of paint spilled from a ladder towering overhead and skirting a wall that tumbles down at his heels.

Would it be possible for all of us to go about our daily lives with such reckless abandon?

No. In fact, accidents do happen and almost every minute of our waking lives we must guard against them. They are the fourth largest cause of deaths in adults and among children 1-14, outrank the next six causes of death combined.

Unfortunately, accidents too often are thought of as happening to the "other guy" or as being out of one's control. But most accidents, which do happen to all of us, are preventable.

Accidents that don't fall into the category of unforeseeable "acts of God" (such as lightning striking where it has never struck

before) are probably the result of: (1) ignorance or unawareness of important safety aspects in personal, home and community living; or (2) carelessness resulting from behavior or attitudes that are antagonistic to safety.

Accidents that occur out of ignorance or thoughtlessness might include some of the following:

In the Home

- A study of 4,000 households has shown that product-related accidents or injuries were more likely to occur from the use or repair of secondhand products or appliances than from the use of new items.

- You can be poisoned by merely tasting and not swallowing certain foods that are spoiled due to certain toxins such as botulism (found in the interior of sausages, ham, bacon and spiced or pickled food and canned food). A food's taste is not always an indicator of safety.

- Loss of life or extensive damage to property from a fire could be avoided by the installation of one or more inexpensive smoke detectors in the home. These are highly recommended by the local fire department and can be purchased at local department stores.

- Wood fires in stoves and fireplaces can, if left untended with a closed flue, cause carbon monoxide poisoning. Carbon monoxide is not detectable and may lead to headaches, nausea, weakness, collapse, coma and eventually death.

- Accidental poisonings by adults are not uncommon. Medicines become stronger or weaker with age, are often transferred from container to container without proper labeling, and are frequently taken in the wrong dosages. If you suspect being poisoned, call the Poison Control Center at 1-800-452-7165 (toll-free).

At Work

- In lifting heavy objects, don't bend over at the waist while legs are straight. Plant your feet firmly, well apart and squat down. Keep your back as straight as possible and lift slowly by pushing up with your legs.

- In using a ladder, make sure it has safety feet and is firmly planted on the ground. It should be set one foot away from any wall for every four feet up to the point of support. Ladders should be long enough so that you don't have to step on the top rungs.

- Such items as safety glasses, hard hats and steel toe box shoes can prevent almost all injuries due to falling, moving or flying objects.

At Play

- In cold weather, wind and wetness can do as much if not more damage to body temperature. "Wind chill" can increase body heat loss by several factors (a 5 mph wind carries away eight times more body

heat than still air). Wetness can cause you to lose body heat much faster than air.

- The National Safety Council estimates that only half of all Americans swim well enough to take care of themselves in water. Learning to simply float could save your life. The body floats naturally because of air in the lungs, and full lungs can easily keep a person's head above water indefinitely.

- The greatest mistake a beginning jogger can make is trying too hard. This can cause sore or strained muscles, shin splints, or worse. Start by alternately jogging or walking, increase your distance only when you feel ready, do warm up/down and stretching exercises before and after each jog, and jog (at about seven and one-half minute per mile pace) before you run.

While Driving

- Marijuana is among a number of drugs which are increasingly being shown to contribute to driving accidents. Studies reflecting users' subjective assessments of their driving skills while high, measures of driving-related perceptual skills, driver simulator and actual driving performance, and highway fatality reports all link marijuana to car accidents.

- Your chances of surviving a fatal car accident as a driver or passenger are more than ten times greater using seat belts than not, according to figures from the Oregon Motor Vehicles Department in 1976. Of 501 fatal car accidents, 332 were killed in cars in which seat belts were installed but not in use; 28 were killed using seat belts. (141 fatalities occurred in cars without belts or in cars in which belt status was not recorded.)

It is interesting to note that one study indicates that individuals prone to automobile collisions tend to have personalities that are either (1) "anti-social," using their driving as a weapon to provide expression for frustration and hostile acts or (2) "passive," leaving themselves open for blundering. Safer drivers are more conforming, controlled and tend to avoid hazards. Another study of traffic fatalities tends to indict the "socially obstreperous" person -- belligerent, talkative, hyperactive.

So if the results of these studies of automobile drivers is any indication, destructive behaviors and attitudes must be recognized and overcome before people are likely to live more safety-conscious lives.

SHS sponsors forum

An open forum to discuss health concerns of students will be held Tuesday, April 11 in Room 8 of the Center Building at 3 p.m.

The Student Health Service-sponsored forum is being scheduled in response to a recent survey of LCC students that indicates interest in forming discussion or support groups in such areas as smoking, alcoholism, women's self-help, men's self-help, holistic health and other health topics.

The forum will also help determine what directions the Student Health Service should move in encouraging student and SHS cooperation.

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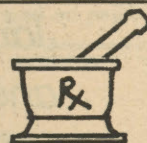
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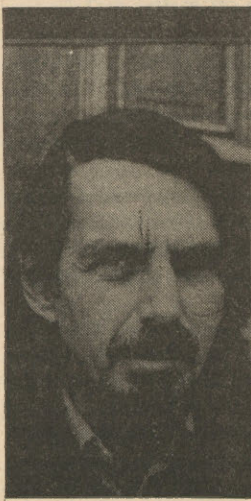
Influential poet scheduled to read at LCC

by Rick Dunaven

Robert Creeley will appear at LCC's Performing Arts Theatre on Tuesday, April 11, for a one hour reading of his poetry at noon. There will be a one dollar charge, at the door. Students who are taking a literature class at either LCC or the U of O will be admitted free.

Creeley is part of a program called "Poetry and the People" sponsored by the Willamette Writers Guild. For information about other poets scheduled to appear on the LCC campus, call Heather McConnell, the program coordinator, at Lane Community College, extension 339.

Creeley will also appear at the U of O at 8 p.m. at the Erb Memorial Student Union.



Creeley's position is secure in the forefront of contemporary American poetry. His work has exerted a great influence on the poetry of our time, and it has brought him an international reputation.

Creeley was educated at Harvard, Black Mountain College, and the University of New Mexico. For his works in poetry,

Creeley has been awarded a Rockefeller Grant, a Guggenheim Fellowship and a D.H. Lawrence Fellowship.

Hoffman romanticizes felon's life

Film Review by Janice Brown

"Straight Time," a film currently at Cinema World, is the story of Max Dembo, a convicted armed robber, who is pardoned after completing a six year period of incarceration.

Dustin Hoffman plays Dembo with conviction. He constructs a new celluloid character as vivid as his memorable "Ratso" in "Midnight Cowboy." Like Ratso, Dembo is a low life character but the similarity stops there. Ratso provoked intense compassion from the audience, but the icy Dembo is as hard and insensitive to life as the walls of the prison cells he has spent so much time in.

When Dembo meets his parole officer for the first time, "I'm not fated to be a menace to society," says the chronic felon.

The parole officer, played with an authentic repulsiveness by M. Emmett Walsh, smiles knowingly at Dembo and agrees to give him a chance (one week) to find a job and a place to live, if Dembo can obey the regulations of his parole. But Dembo succumbs to loneliness and against regulations invites an old cell-mate back into his life. The cell-mate, Willy, played by Gary Busey, is a junkie. Taking advantage of Dembo's hospitality, Willy shoots up in Dembo's room. The parole officer busts Dembo and it's back to the slammer again. But only for a few days. Upon release, Dembo maddened by the cunning of his parole officer, and the inequities of society, abandons the idea of seeking the straight life; so, it's back to robbery for Dembo.

Easily manipulated by Dembo, an unhappily married Schue, played by Harry

Dean Stanton, becomes Dembo's gun carrying accomplice. Dembo has felt the thrilling rushes that Schue experiences

during robberies, and he knows that nothing gets Schue off like wielding a powerful gun over the heads of the victims of their robberies.

Stanton's interpretation of Schue's excitement is so vibrant that we know why it is that he wants to be freed from his mundane Southern California poolside barbeque marriage.

Schue has his weakness, and so does Dembo, but Schue doesn't benefit by recognizing Dembo's shortcomings, rather he dies because of it. Dembo's intoxication is with greed. He stays in the bank and the jewelry store they rob long after Schue has said that time is up and that they have to "go now" in order to escape safely. Dembo continues to grab more money, more jewels. Schue yells at Dembo as the terrified robbery victims look on, "You're pathetic! You are a pathetic human being, I'm never going to work with you again!" But he waits for Dembo.

The pace, the performances, and the direction by Ulu Grosbard, of this film all add up to a realism that perhaps the film shouldn't offer. The excitement of the robberies is enticing. Dembo is a sleezy, unlikeable character. But the fact that an actor of Hoffman's distinction portraying such a man romanticizes the felon's life.



Dustin Hoffman plays ex-con Max Dembo in "Straight Time." Dembo tries to make a new start in the "straight" world but fails and returns to crime.

Coming up

The Oregon Shakespearean Festival will perform Noel Coward's "Private Lives" in the Angus Bowmer and Black Swan Theaters in Ashland, Oregon. The play will be performed on April 14, 15, 28, 29, and May 12, and 13. Tickets are available for all performances by calling the Ashland Box office, 482-4331 and through local ticket agencies.

National Endowment for the Arts grant recipient Richard Misrach will be the featured photographer in a show at the Oregon Gallery at the University of Oregon from April 4 through May 7. The Gallery is open free of charge during the regular museum hours, 12 noon to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Sunday.

On April 6, from 7 to 9 p.m., Maude I. Kerns Art Center will host a reception for Harold Hoy, Tom Blodgett, and Pete Shoemaker. A show of their work will be on exhibit at the center, in the Mezzanine, April 6 through April 30. Hoy will be exhibiting wood, cast bronze, and kinetic sculpture. The assistant Professor of Sculpture at LCC has exhibited his work in the Northwest and California. Photographs will be exhibited by Shoemaker, and Blodgett will show his drawings. The gallery is open to the public daily from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Place, located in downtown Eugene, will feature "The Amazing Rhythm Aces" on Friday April 7, from 9 p.m. Tickets are \$6.

Jacques Cousteau's film "Desert Whales" a documentary on research of the migratory Gray Whales will be shown in the Forum 309 on Thursday April 13 at 1 p.m. The fifty-three minute film is being sponsored by Oregonians cooperating to Protect Whales. The cost is a fifty cent donation.

Pianist Peder Iverson will be featured in a recital to be held in the Choral Room of the Performing Arts Building on April 9, at 4 p.m. Admission is free. Iverson is currently a part-time instructor of Architecture at the University of Oregon.

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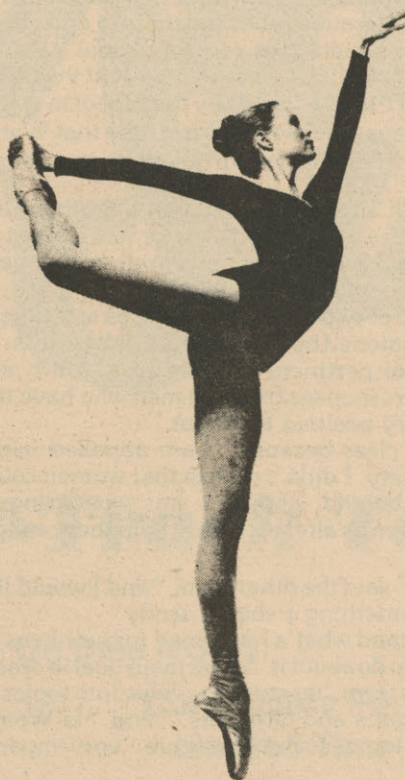
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Teaching women's studies is a 'push for change'

News Feature by Marie Connor

Students begin to gather outside Room 222 of the Apprenticeship Building, waiting for the room to empty. Two women, both waiting for the Kate Barry's Women's Studies class, lean lazily against the wall and talk casually to each other.

"You know, I don't feel so guilty about working nights and leaving my little girl at Day-Care while I go to school during the day," says one woman, probably in her mid-20's.

"I don't feel guilty about anything anymore. I realize that it's just society's misplaced values that are causing women to feel guilty about not conforming to their stereotyped image."

If the instructor of the class had heard the conversation, she would have smiled, probably with pride.

The classroom door opens and students begin trailing out. The two women enter, continuing their conversation. The rest of the class straggles in and the students immediately begin to talk among each other, talking even when Kate Barry enters and makes her way to the front of the room. Barry, 33, looks more like one of her students than of their teachers. Her hair is dark, almost black, and hangs straight to her shoulders except in the front where it shapes the contours of her full face. She almost always wears bluejeans. Her wardrobe is far from Vogue.

She removes her coat, throws it over a chair in the corner, and positions herself firmly on top of the table. She looks around the room, smiling and laughing vibrantly at a comment made by one of the students. She has said that LCC students please



photo by Samson Nisser

her—that she prefers LCC students to university students. The pleasure shows. Teaching, she says, is a method of social change, and that's what Kate Barry wants to do with her life.

Finally, the drone of conversation dies out and Kate Barry reveals her topic for the day: Sex Role Socialization.

Kate Barry teaches Women's Studies—a class for and about women in today's societies. The class is unique. For one thing, a student doesn't have to memorize algebraic theorems or proper punctuation rules or the fundamental properties of an atom or a diesel engine. The important preparation for a student is to open her/his mind and become aware of the forces in society that control people's lives.

Women's Studies has been included in the offerings at LCC for four years. Barry was the first instructor to be hired on a part-time contract by the school to teach the subject. "And that was really positive because that was the first time that Women's Studies had been a contracted position... it has a sort of turbulent history at Lane," she says.

She wonders about the previous lack of support for Women's Studies classes since there are no more women at LCC than men, and "there has always been support for the classes from students," said Barry. The total enrollment in her two Women's Studies classes is 40, of whom only two are men.

Barry says she never had more than one or two men in her classes at a time. Her guess is that men are "in some senses threatened by a Women's Studies class. They see it as a feminist class and perhaps not pertinent to their lives." She added, however, that she has had "very positive responses from the men who have taken the class, and the classes have been very positive for them."

One of the men said that he took the class because "I am appalled with the positions that women are placed in in society. I didn't realize that women could be that unenlightened—could be that far behind, and so I was wondering what community colleges were offering to women as alternatives to help them enlighten themselves."

"I am a democratic-socialist-feminist," said the other man, "and I would like to know a lot more about feminism. It's something I should study."

Barry says, "Getting women to understand what's happened in their lives, why it's happening, and what they might start to do about it" is her main goal in teaching Women's Studies classes. Throughout the term, her students delve into topics such as "The Creation of Masculinity," "Organs and Orgasms," and "Is Women's Liberation A Lesbian Plot?" She feels that topics such as these are "very important,

or I wouldn't teach them."

But Kate Barry doesn't consider teaching as a profession only—for her, it means much more. "I consider (Women's Studies) as a kind of political practice in terms of women," she said with a tone of zeal in her voice: "I consider it as something directed towards change."

Her own political views, her cultural innovations, her life styles, ambitions and education reflect her attitude toward evolving social attitudes. Her life has been caught up in the process of change since she was in her early 20's.

"I started off... at University at England when I was 18 and went to medical school for two years. I couldn't take that at all, hated it absolutely, couldn't stand it." She laughs, remembers, and continues. "I got thrown out of medical school because I didn't do any of the exams, because I couldn't stand it."

Then she was on her own and worked at various "odd jobs" to support herself. Those most available were factory and retail work. Kate was getting a taste of a different life-style, and it played a part in her personal ideologies.

She became involved with the British political and social upheavals of the sixties, in the "Arts Movement," which she explains as "a group of people that were in the kind of anti-establishment cultural activities that were going on in the sixties."

A vocalist in a rock band called "Steamed Copper," she was concerned with organizing "happenings" and "establishing a center for all types of arts... a place where non-traditional artists could present their works." Up until then, unconventional artists in England had no channel by which to exhibit their talents.

"The Arts was a cultural establishment and if you were not part of that culture it was very difficult to get an alternative art form across."

When Kate returned to school at the age of 23, she earned a B.A. in psychology and philosophy—but she didn't stop. "Then I did an M.A. in psychology and worked as a counselor for a while and then taught Social Psychology for two years."

The next step in Kate's life was a drastic one. In 1972 she packed up and came to Oregon to find a job as a psychologist.

"Essentially, I came here because the college I was teaching at in London had connections with the U of O... and I wanted to come to the U.S." But jobs were scarce. She became "disenchanted" with psychology. She decided to go back to school, to the University of Oregon, and work for a degree in sociology.

Kate feels that Oregon is a very liberal state as far as women's rights are concerned. Laws concerning marriage, rape, and battered women are very liberal in comparison with other states, she says, but she is also aware of the conservative aspects of Oregon: "In a way, there is a kind of Puritanism here." She cites the local Obscene Touching Ordinance, which prohibits members of the opposite sex from touching in public as an example. She says such laws—against nude bathing and sexuality—are absurd.

Kate has lived in Eugene for five years with her daughter Anna, who is now three. Her eyes brighten at the mention of Anna and she reveals that "she (Anna) is centrally important in my life." Yet for Kate Barry, "Whatever I'm doing is the most important thing in my life."

"My teaching here is really important to me," she says soberly. "I like teaching and I like teaching here... better than teaching at a university... because of the different kinds of people you get, the different kinds of backgrounds... and the classes are smaller here so you get more contact."

Her students also feel that contact. One woman said, "She (Barry) puts her classes on a personal level. I feel free to express my own views and I feel that she really takes an interest in what I'm saying."

Between spending time with her daughter, teaching at Lane, and going to school to receive her Ph.D. in sociology, Kate has very little time for relaxation. She is involved in the Women's Center at LCC and is an active supporter of the Gay Liberation movement.

Kate is totally dedicated toward feminism and says that whatever she does in her life will be connected with women. And yet she does not consider herself a "radical feminist," but rather a "socialist feminist."

"What that means for me is that an answer for women's oppression in this society is bound up with dismantling capitalism."

Kate sees an ideal society as one in which "everyone can have complete control of (his or her) life and develop whatever potential each has without, in any sense, blocking anyone else... and where everyone can be in control of their own existence."

But right now she sees our society as "a whole system of male privileges that operates independently of capitalism, yet the two are interrelated... For me, any decent socialist theory has feminism right there at the heart of it: If it doesn't have women's issues at the center of it, it isn't a good socialist system."

The first step in solving women's oppression, she says, lies in changing "the power relationships between men and women—socially, culturally, and personally."

She was married for four years and feels "a general negativity about the possibilities of men and women forming long-term relationships—which comes from my experiences. I know very few people who are in positive couple relationships... and not have one of them suffer."

Kate would prefer to live in a cooperative living arrangement where people would be part of a group setting. She doesn't see herself as being part of a "couple relationship" at any time in the near future, however, even under those circumstances.

"I mean, I can't envisage having to cope with a male in my kitchen in the morning." Kate doesn't not expect students in her classes to agree with her personal views and methods for change. "When I teach Women's Studies I'm not trying to press a particular ideological line on women. I try to separate out... what I think from what is going on."

Students in the Women's Studies classes range from 18 to 50 years of age, and yet all seem to have a common purpose: A desire to study women. One woman said, "The class is really good. It is taught from a feminist perspective and even though I can't agree with everything (Barry) says, at least I'm becoming aware of other views."

Joyce Salisbury, and LCC Language Arts instructor who is auditing the Women's Studies class, has positive views about the method of teaching and the content of the class. "I think (Barry) is a delightful teacher and she is so persistent in the points she wants to make... I just find it very interesting and I think everybody ought to take it—everybody." Salisbury went on to say that the class "is an explanation of a need for change rather than a push for change."

Nevertheless, Barry has a different idea in mind. "If I didn't think that teaching Women's Studies wasn't in some sense a push for change, I wouldn't teach it."

Kate would like to continue teaching at LCC and hopes eventually to see the Women's Studies program expand to include more classes and more teachers. She would like to continue her education and political activities, but for now she says, "My life is open to any kind of change."

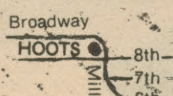
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Priest fosters accessibility by 'living among the masses'

by Jeanine Ferguson

If you're a community college chaplain, soft-spoken, balding and not given to guitar strumming, how do you go about getting the attention of a student body that is somewhat indifferent to Catholic priests?

Well, first of all you don't dress like a Catholic priest. Or talk like one. Or act like one. You just think like one.

At least, such is the approach of Father James Dieringer, Newman chaplain at Lane Community College since 1971.

Dieringer, whose "office" is the third table to the west of the elevator in the LCC cafeteria, can be found most mornings in a black shirt and coat (but no priest's collar), talking to a tableful of companions. His conversation is peppered with unhallowed but good-natured "hells" and "damns," and the topic under discussion may be Christian doctrine, Jimmy Carter, or the price of wood.

The price of wood? Yes, because Dieringer isn't just the only campus chaplain LCC has ever had, he's also a carpenter. Carpentry is, in fact, a major source of income for him, since his ministry at LCC is without pay. He teaches two Adult Education woodshop classes and does carpentry jobs for staff members at LCC and for other friends, as well as teaching a World Religions class.

He sees his work with wood as a way of getting to know people on a different level than a traditional priest gets to know his parishioners.

"That's how I make contact -- it's an entry with people. Many of my woodworking students don't know I'm a priest, and are very surprised when they find out. They would never talk to a Catholic priest ordinarily... but they don't look at me as a person different from them."

However, once his students find out he's the campus chaplain, they don't hesitate to talk with him about their lives and to bring him their problems occasionally. Since they

have gotten to know him as a carpenter, he is much more approachable in his role as a priest.

He says this close contact was one reason he chose a campus ministry over a traditional parish.

"There are people here, and churches should be where the people are. There are people who cannot -- for sociological, psychological or whatever reasons --



Photo by Jeff Patterson

approach the Church. But they can approach me."

One example is a woman Dieringer met at Lane who had strong anti-Church feelings because of a rigid Catholic upbringing. She had grown up resentful of the hierarchical nature of the Catholic Church, in which the priest is revered, privileged and alien. Because she came to know Dieringer as a carpenter, he was able to help her resolve her

feelings of resentment after she learned he was a Catholic priest.

Dieringer likens himself to the worker-priests of France, who left the insular atmosphere of the Church to live among the masses. He explains that the worker-priest movement began in Paris in the 1940s in response to the alienation between the Marxist working classes and the bourgeois Church, with a resulting "dechristianization" of the working masses. In an attempt to rectify this, the worker priests left the parish churches and settled in small Christian communities in the midst of the proletariat, working for the same low wages as their neighbors.

Although Catholic priests in America today may sometimes be seen as inaccessible for reasons other than class differences, Dieringer feels a certain kinship with the French worker priests.

"The fact that I have calloused hands, that I sometimes go around with a bandaged thumb, that I cuss a bit, makes it easier for people to relate to me. Therefore, when I talk about Jesus and who he is, it has a little different ring to it because I'm a working stiff."

The fact that he's a working stiff can sometimes be a drawback, too. He must hear his ministry to a noisy cafeteria or a cluttered workshop.

"I don't have a chapel here, which I miss very much. My role here is somewhat that of a missionary in a foreign country -- I have no canned answers, no prescription for all the problems brought to me."

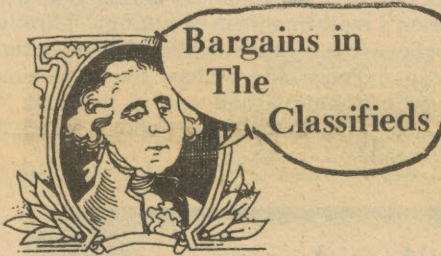
Accountability to the Church can some-

times be a difficulty, too: "I'm in a non-traditional role here. I can't present any statistics -- how many marriages have I performed? How many confessions have I heard? How many people do I have in the parish? I don't have any of those statistical pegs, so my work has to be judged on subjective grounds."

"Most of the priests around here support my work and are able to see its value, but the higher levels of the Church can't judge my work because I have no statistics to offer them."

The students and staff members who know Dieringer, however, don't need statistics to judge the value of his work at LCC. He tells of a time when he was gone from campus this winter for some knee surgery. When he returned, a woman with whom he exchanged greetings each morning in the cafeteria stopped by his table to demand, with mock indignation, where he had been. She had come to rely on his cheery hello each morning, she said, and her day hadn't been the same without it.

"That's one of the most important services I perform," Dieringer says modestly, "just being here for those people who need someone to talk to."



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Counseling dept. hiring students

by Rick Dunaven

The LCC Counseling Department is now recruiting applicants for the Student Service Association (SSA).

The SSA is an organization consisting of paid students who work in cooperation with counselors, to provide assistance to students.

The basic work done by an associate will include helping students during registration and career planning, reaching students who counselors may not be able to meet with on an individual basis.

Each associate is trained and supervised by a counselor. Each is also paid for his/her work -- an associate may work an average of 12-15 hours a week. The Counseling Department has enough money to hire eight full-time associates, but work-study funding is also available, as is Cooperative Work Experience credit. The counseling department hopes to attract at least 24 people for its staff of Associates.

In the 1978-1979 school year the associates will have two different categories to work in, General Associates and Job Skills Associates.

The General Associates, in addition to their basic duties, will work in the Career Information Center, located in front of the library. These associates will help students find and utilize the appropriate job resources available at LCC.

The counseling department is hoping to operate the Career Information Center at night, in addition to its daily operation, to assist students who may not be able to use the Job Service Computer during the day.

The computer lists 228 occupations in Lane County. When a student fills out a "Quest" exam, which has 25 questions dealing with student career interest, the computer matches the student with possible career opportunities in Lane County. These occupations are also listed with educational requirements.

The associates then explain the appropri-

ate educational programs that are available at LCC.

Among the other assigned duties, a General Associate can arrange to work with students having special needs, such as minority, handicapped or foreign students. The associates may also assist counselors in classes, but mostly, an associate's duties will be to work with counselors in their efforts to help students who need friendly and knowledgeable information about the educational programs that are available at LCC.

The Job Skills Associate will concentrate on helping students to obtain appropriate employment by focusing on a creative job search, how to go about locating and attaining jobs in a student's particular field. These associates will also help students learn to write comprehensive resumes, as well as conduct interview role-playing, to help students understand these concepts and be able to use them to attain employment.

All associates will be trained in basic communication skills (listening, paraphrasing, and behavior description). They will also receive an in-depth knowledge of the Career Information Center, learn about campus resources, and gain an understanding of organizational cooperation.

Students selected as associates must be available June 9 to 11 for a weekend training session at Heceta House, on the Oregon coast. Associates must also be available for all day training sessions September 5 through the 7 and half-day sessions September 8 to the 22. Specific on-going training for both Job Skills and General Associates will continue throughout the school year.

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Diamond men boast six possible home run hitters in '78

by Steve Myers

Lane Community College baseball coach Duane Miller feels that the Titans should be the top contenders this spring for the Oregon Community College Athletic Association (OCCAA) baseball title.

Lane placed third in the OCCAA last year with a 20-8 record and narrowly missed the regional playoffs due to a 3-2 loss to Linn-Benton Community College in the final game of the season.

Already this year the Titans have compiled a 9-3 season record and an unblemished 4-0 league record to their name. Miller feels that part of the team's early success is due to the ambitious season opening during spring break. The hardballers made a road trip through Northern California in which they played eight games against Californian community colleges. They won five and lost three.

Traditionally, Northwest baseball coaches shy away from the prospect of opening in California against teams who already have 10 games under their belts. But, this year Miller finds an exception.

"In the past I've gone to California and won maybe one ball game," reflected Miller. "This year we did much better."

It seems that the road trip paid off for Lane this year. They've swept their two league opening double headers from Concordia Community College and Judson Baptist Community College.

Miller is welcoming back to his 1978 squad three OCCAA All-Conference team members. Making the elite team as freshmen last year were catcher, Rick Edgar, second baseman, Mark Piesker, and designated hitter, Gary Weyent. Also returning to this year's squad are outfielder Rich Bean and pitcher Tony Stearns. The rest of the club consists of a talented group of freshmen.

"We are looking forward to our best season ever," stated Miller. "I believe this is the best group of kids ever at Lane and it

may be the best group of kids in the conference."

Miller feels that his team has no glaring



Pitching has proved to be one of the Titans' strong points in early season action. Photo by Jeff Patterson.

weaknesses or faults. He thinks that the team's real strength is its hitting. "I firmly believe that we have the best hitting in the league. Potentially, we have five or six kids who can hit the ball out of the park."

The Lane Community College baseball roster:

Mike Anderson, 5-11, 185, pitcher, Eugene [North]: Competed in football and baseball in high school; voted M.V.P. and was second team all-district three years in baseball; second team all-district two years in football; high school baseball coach was Garry Selby; chose LCC because of fine baseball program; born in Eugene; undecided on college major.

Rich Bean, 5-10, 185, left field-right field, McKenzie: Competed in football, basketball, and baseball in high school; all-league and all-state three years in football; all-league four years in baseball; high school coaches were Ken Kramer and Jeff Hamer; chose LCC for baseball and closeness to home; born in Springfield; Hotel and Restaurant Management major.

Jeff Brandhagen, 5-9, 175, pitcher, Eugene [Sheldon]: Competed in baseball in high school; second team all-district and Eugene Register-Guard Prep of the Week; high school coach was Tom Bowen; chose LCC because of closeness to Eugene; born in Vallejo, Ca.

Dirk Collins, 5-6, 155, shortstop, Phoenix: Competed in football, wrestling, and baseball in high school; M.V.P. and team captain in football; all-conference, American Legion Batting Award and Coaches' Award in baseball; born in McMinnville; undecided on college major.

Pete DelZotto, 6-2, 180, first base, Eugene [North]: Competed in baseball in high school; all-district one year in baseball; high school coach was Garry Selby; chose LCC

because it was local, offered a good education and had a good baseball team; born in Eugene, Biology major.

Rick Edgar, 5-10, 180, catcher, North Bend: Competed in baseball in high school; all-district in high school and all-conference at LCC; high school coaches were Romano Romani and Tom Younker; chose LCC because he liked Eugene and two teammates here were high school acquaintances; born in Tillamook; History major; hit .372 at LCC as a freshman.

Russ Hale, 5-8 1/2, 145, pitcher, Eugene [Churchill]: Competed in football and baseball in high school; high school coach was Mike Nicksic; chose LCC for baseball program; born in Nyssa; Architecture major.

Jim Jordan, 6-2, 195, first base-pitcher, Sweet Home: Competed in basketball and baseball in high school; all-league two years and league M.V.P. one year in baseball; high school coach was Paul Dickerson; chose LCC because of coach; born in Portland; Physical Education major.

Tim Kammeyer, 6-2, 190, pitcher, Eugene [North]: Competed in football and baseball in high school; all-district and second team all-state in baseball; played in State-Metro Series; high school coach was Garry Selby; chose LCC for its location, fellow recruits, baseball field and academic reputation; born in Moscow, Id.; Liberal Arts major.

Kurt Kordon, 6-4, 165, pitcher, Springfield: Competed in football, basketball and baseball in high school; all-district second

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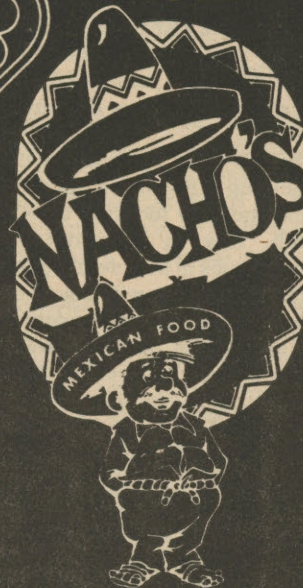
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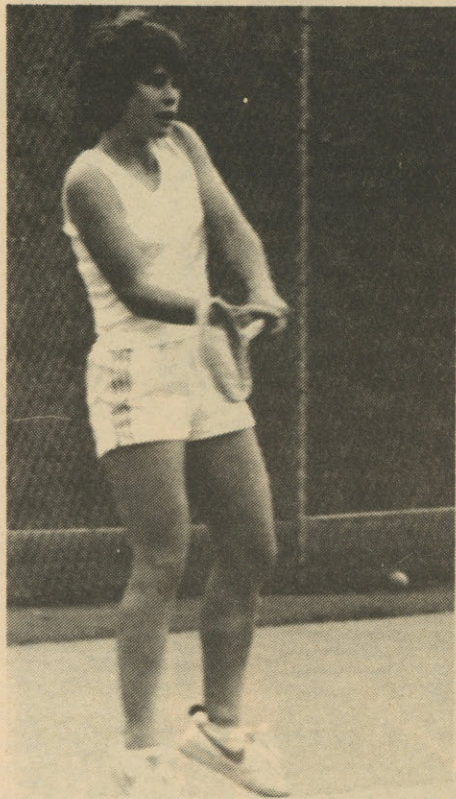
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Netters short on players & coach



Gail Rogers returns from last season to help anchor the women's tennis team. Photo by Jeff Patterson.

by John Healy

This year's women's tennis team is marked by contrasts.

They won the Northwest Conference Women's Sports Assn. [NCWSA] Southern Conference title last year and return their No. 1 and 3 players, yet the Titans lack a coach and only had six women show up for the opening week of practice.

"Right now," states men's coach Don Wilson, "I'm coordinating both programs. We have plans for a women's coach, but we don't have one right now."

Cheryl Shrum, last season's top ranked Titan, returns with Gail Rogers to give the Titans a potent one-two punch. "We sure would like to have more women players," says Wilson.

The women's team will join the OCCAA next year, but will be playing at home against OCCAA opponents this year in conjunction with the men's team, plus playing a full schedule of NCWSA matches.

However, they won't participate in the season ending OCCAA tournament, but will instead compete in the NCWSA tourney for the last time.

The women's team began official team practice last week.

Men's tennis team joins OCCAA

by John Healy

The men's tennis team joins the Oregon Community College Athletic Assn. (OCCAA) this season after seven years of playing as a club team.

"On the whole, we are among the strongest community colleges in the state," says head coach Don Wilson. "We live in one of the stronger tennis areas in the state, and this year we have great depth even though only three of our players from last year are returning."

Doug Knudsen, last year's No. 5 man, is the Titans top singles player this year. He is being pushed for the top spot by fellow letterman, John Johnson. The third returning player is Tony Brandt.

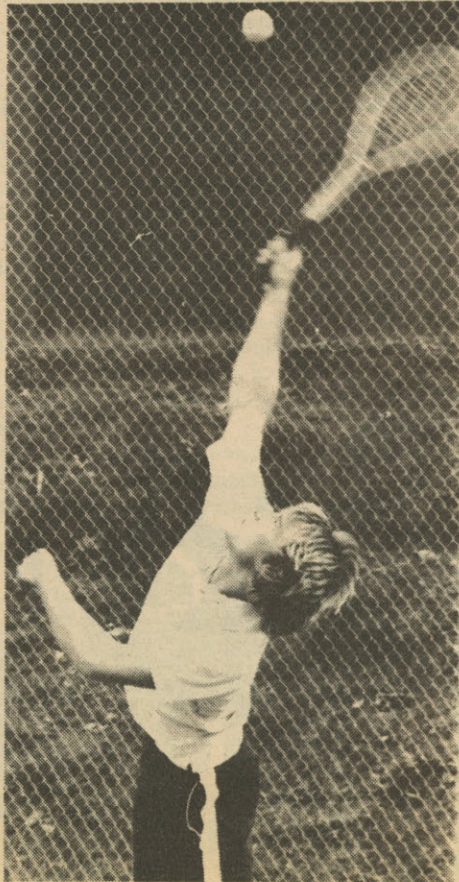
LCC has been playing extramurally the entire seven years that Wilson has coached tennis at Lane. The Titans played a wide variety of teams, ranging from fellow community colleges to city teams to four year universities.

"A season record is rather pointless unless you have a league," explains Wilson. "Our record last year didn't really indicate our potential."

The match format that the OCCAA has adopted is the only regret Wilson has about joining the league. Matches will involve a six

point match form, meaning four singles and two doubles games will be played. The Titans played nine point (six singles, three doubles) matches last year.

"It's rather ridiculous," exclaims Wilson. "I'm definitely opposed to it. The weak teams voted for the format because they only need two good players to be competitive. Both play singles matches, they combine for a doubles match, and they are almost assured of a tie."



Doug Knudsen is the top ranked player on the men's tennis team. Photo by Jeff Patterson.

Titans blast opposition in OCC Relays

by John Healy

The men's track team swept all seven relay events and went on to win the Oregon Community College Athletic Assn. (OCCAA) Relays last Saturday at Lane.

The Titans scored 110 points to easily defeat Linn-Benton (93 points) and defending OCCAA Relays champion Clackamas on a day plagued by wind and rain. LCC set three meet records in the relay events, but only won one individual event, the 3000 meter steeplechase, in their season opening meet.

Lane won the 400 meters, 800 meters, mile, two mile, four mile, sprint medley, and distance medley relays. They set records in the mile, two mile, and distance medley relays, and steepler Robert Stanley added another meet record, recording a fine 9:29.5 effort against minimal competition.

Scott Branchfield, Lynn Mayo, Joe Axtell, and Bill Mitchell combined to win the mile relay in 3:24, breaking the old meet record of 3:25.9, set by Lane last year.

Ken Martin helped propel the two mile and distance medley relay squads victory, teaming with Jamin Aasum, Joe Cook, and Lynn Mayo in the two mile relay to establish a new meet record of 7:47.1, snapping a mark of 8:00.6 established in 1977 by Lane.

Martin combined with Kevin Shaha, Tom Brown, and Dave Magness to run a 10:27.2 distance medley relay, in the process cracking the former record of 10:56, set last year by the Titans.

Stanley led the steeple from start to finish and just missed qualifying for the national meet. His time just nipped the former record of 9:30.8, set last year by Kelly Sullivan of Central Oregon.

The Titans' sprinters failed to establish any new records, but they did sweep every relay event they entered. In the 400 meter relay, Chuck Casin-Cross, Charles Warren,

Branchfield, and Axtell combined to win in 42.6, over a second and a half ahead of second place Umpqua.

The 800 meter relay team of Casin-Cross, Warren, Delbert Childs, and Jodell Bailey won in 1:32.5 for another Titan victory, and Kevin Richey, Brown, Bailey, and Childs put together an easy win in the spring medley, romping over Linn-Benton 3:39.1 to 3:51.9.

In individual competition, Joe Clark finished behind Stanley in the steeplechase, clocking 9:55.2, and Branchfield also

grabbed a second, finishing the 110 meter high hurdles in 15.9.

Bruce Rolf hurled the discus 137-3' to nab another second, and decathlete Bruce Goodnough leaped 41-10 3/4' to take third the triple jump.

MEN'S TEAM RESULTS -- Lane 110, Linn-Benton 93 1/2, Clackamas 75 1/2, Umpqua 63, Southwestern Oregon 37, Chemeketa 36, Central Oregon 10, Blue Mountain 6.

Women's track team grabs third behind Central Oregon at home

by John Healy

Strong finishes in the sprints and jumps enabled the women's track team to finish third in the women's section of the OCCAA Relays, held last Saturday at Lane in a windy rainstorm.

Vickie Graves won the 400 meter dash in 1:02.2, and Kelly Tarpenning finished second in the 100 meters and fourth in the long jump as Lane recorded 57 points to finish behind Central Oregon (103 points) and Linn-Benton (97 points).

Tarpenning recorded a 13.8 100 meters to lead a trio of Titans to the finish line behind Linn-Benton's Monica Niebuhr. Graves finished third in 14.1, and Cindy Harding nabbed fourth in 14.5 seconds.

Tarpenning and Harding combined in the long jump also, Tarpenning sailing 14-9 and Harding jumping 13-5 1/2 for sixth.

Gigi D'Angelo recorded a third in the 3000 meters, running 12:28.3 behind OCCAA cross country champ Brenda Cardin of Central Oregon.

In the 400 relay, the Titans finished in 55.9 to claim second.

WOMEN'S TEAM RESULTS -- Central Oregon 103, Linn-Benton 97, Lane 57, Umpqua 45, Southwestern Oregon 39, Chemeketa 32, Blue Mountain 20.

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Depth could be key to thinclad's success

by John Healy

"Potentially," begins LCC men's track and field coach Al Tarpenning, "this is perhaps the most balanced dual meet team we have ever had. We are two, three, and four deep in all the running events."

Tarpenning is a man not given to waving his own flag. But in the last six years he has directed LCC to six Oregon Community College Athletic Assn. [OCCA] track and field titles and five Region 18 crowns.

All with little or no fanfare.

But if the host of outstanding pre-season marks posted by Titan track and field athletes this year are any indication of things to come, then Al Tarpenning may receive a goldmine of recognition this year.

"Our real strength is our depth," emphasizes the Titans' coach, "which means we have a lot of opportunities to

In fact, Keeran could face his stiffest competition at the Region 18 meet, instead of the national level.

"Rick's College of Idaho has two good discus throwers, and Bruce Rolph (a transfer to LCC from the University of Oregon) has the potential to place in the top six nationally."

"(So) there could be four throwers from our regional in the national discus finals," states Tarpenning.

Another field event competitor, freshman Brad Breen, is currently ranked second nationally in the javelin throw.

On the oval, the Titans have one of the most talented community college distance runners in the nation in Ken Martin. A sophomore from Coquille, Martin has an impressive list of credentials to his credit: Two-time OCCAA cross country champion, 1977 Region 18 cross country winner, seventh in the national at 5000 meters last

meters. He'll also qualify in the steeplechase. We will only run him in one or possibly two events. He is definitely our premier runner."

Tarpenning lost All-American sprinter Andrew Banks from last year's sprint squad (Banks, a junior at the U of O, is now anchoring the Ducks' hopes in the sprints), but welcomes back Chuck Casin-Cross and OSU transfer Joe Axtell, both "potential point producers."

The Titans have to be "considered the defending champs" in Oregon community college circles, understates Tarpenning. "We are capable of winning another OCCAA title," he states, "although Clackamas could challenge us."

Sheer numbers could play a key role in both the OCCAA and Region 18 meets, says the Titans' coach.

LCC has 55 men out for track this season, and Tarpenning believes the Titans numbers could prove influential. "We should be able to take a lot of thirds, fourths, and fifths," he says, "which could provide enough points to offset individual performers from other schools."

Coupled with size in numbers is what Tarpenning calls "versatility." "For instance, some of our distance runners can drop down to the mile relay," he notes.

And regionally, only Ricks and the College of Southern Idaho (CSI) should challenge the Titans.

Ricks dethroned the Titans last year at the regional meet, bringing LCC's string of five straight Region 18 championships to an abrupt end.

This year, Ricks looks "strong in the field events," according to Tarpenning. "They should be tough at nationals -- they have quality performers in the javelin, decathlon, discus, and (pole) vault. But they don't have LCC's depth or strength."

CSI, which Tarpenning terms a "dark-horse," faces much the same problem: Quality, but not enough quantity to match the Titans.

Explains LCC's coach: "They can't handle the depth coming at them, even though they have a good man in each event."

Tarpenning has so much depth this year he is worried about finding enough money to take all the athletes who post qualifying marks for the national meet.

"We have the potential to take more people than we have the money for," he says. "If they are well qualified, my goal is to make sure they are there."

Unfortunately, the school provides the track team no money for traveling to the national meet, so Tarpenning is forced to turn entrepreneur to dig up enough money to take a team to the national meet every year.



Ken Martin leads a talented distance squad.
Photo by John Healy.

Maybe he will hit his goldmine this year. Monetarily and athletically.

Capsules of the Titans' strengths and weaknesses in each area:

SPRINTS

Casin-Cross and Axtell are the only names of note this year. The Titans went 1-2-3 in both the 100 and 220 yard dashes at last year's OCCAA championships, but two of the three big guns -- Banks and Bobby Persons -- are at the U of O this season.

Casin-Cross, the third past of last year's "sprint trio," is a proven performer, having made it to the national meet in 1977 in both the 100 and 200 meters.

Tarpenning says he is "coming into his own. He's smarter, and wiser." He has run bests of 10.56 for 100 meters and 21.9 for 200 meters in preseason action.

Backing up Casin-Cross in the short sprints are Kevin Richey and Rich Collett (who only lost to fellow Titans Banks, Persons, and Casin-Cross in last year's league finals).

Richey, who also runs the 400 meters and doubles in the long jump/triple jump, has clocked 10.62 for 100 meters this year and Collett has hit 10.70 for the same distance.

In the 400 meters, Tarpenning has Axtell, a 50 flat quartermiler, and Tom Brown, whose cross country training in the fall seems to have paid off, as he has gone 51.5 already. In the mile relay, miler Lynn Mayo drops down to add his 49.2 speed to the relay.

Untested Charles Warren, Vern Liebel, Mike Wright, Ron Cook, and Jodell Bailey round out the Titans' sprint squad. All are capable of competing anywhere from 100 to 400 meters, according to Tarpenning.

JUMPS

The only proven performer here is Richey, who finished third in both the long and triple
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LCC is known for its distance runners, but this season's sprint squad looks promising enough to gain a reputation of its own. Photo by Jeff Patterson.

experiment with people before the big meets."

The Titans are loaded with depth, as Tarpenning is quick to point out, and there are a number of national-caliber athletes on this year's squad who have legitimate chances for gaining national recognition.

Charlie Keeran is LCC's only returning point-producer from last year's national championships, where he notched a sixth place finish in the discus. Tarpenning feels Keeran will definitely be in the battle for the discus title at this year's nationals.

year.

To prove that he isn't going to rest on past accomplishments this season, Martin ran an incredible 29:40 10,000 meter race for fourth at Hayward Field late last month in the Oregon Invitational. He didn't win -- the U of O's Alberton Salazar made sure of that -- but a time that fast this early establishes Martin as a definite threat to score at the nationals this spring.

"Ken is very versatile," says his coach. "He has already qualified to run at the national meet in the 1500, 5000, and 10,000

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jump at last season's OCCAA finals. He has gone over 22 feet in the long jump, but can score in the triple jump if the points are needed.

The big story, though, is triple jumper Mike Yeoman, a transfer from OSU. He hit 48-8 earlier this winter in an indoor meet, which qualifies him for nationals. The OCCAA triple jump was won with a jump of just 44-8 last year, so it looks as if the Titans have a sure winner in Yeoman. Although plagued by muscle injuries, Yeoman has managed to record four 46 foot plus jumps in indoor competition this year.

Decathlete Bruce Goodnough provides support along with sprinter Cooks. Goodnough has gone 14-3 in the pole vault, 6-7 in the high jump.

He joins Rod Boneright to give the Titans' two vaulters with bests of 14 feet or more in the pole vault.

In the high jump, the only jumper of note is Goodnough, who will compete in the high jump and pole vault in meets that don't have decathlon competition.

WEIGHTS

The Titans are thin in this area, but the few athletes that compete in the shot, discus, and javelin for LCC are national-caliber performers.

Keeran competed in the shadow of teammate Jim Pitts last year, Pitts winning the discus and shot at the OCC's while Keeran finished second in the discus. Pitts went on to take a sixth in the shotput at the national meet, an effort Keeran matched in the discus.

Keeran has been working out all winter in the weight room, and with what he feels is an "improved technique," he could do better than last year.

Breen has tossed the javelin 226 feet in preseason competition, while Rolf is equally competent in the shot and discus, being a 150 foot plus discus thrower and a 50 foot shotputter.

HURDLES

Scott Branchfield is the only "true" hurdler the Titans have. He has gone 15.0 for the high hurdles and 55.6 over the intermediates.

The Titans are loaded with steeplechase runners, as a majority of the distance men are capable of competing here. Rob Stanley missed qualifying for nationals by a few seconds at the OCCAA Relays, and if Tarpenning decides to run Martin in the steeple, the Titans could have an awesome one-two punch.

DISTANCES

As usual, the Titans are loaded with quality distance runners. The cross country team won both the OCCAA and Region 18 crowns last fall, and the top seven from that team form the nucleus of this year's distance squad.

Martin is a "bonafide All-American," according to Tarpenning. "Right now he's one of the top 10,000 meter men in the nation. He could run under nine minutes in the steeple before the end of the year."

Martin has bests of 14:26 in the 5000, 29:40 in the 10,000, and a fast 4:12 mile in preseason competition.

Possibly the most improved runner of late is freshman Lynn Mayo. State AA champ in the 880 and mile last year, Mayo is as versatile as Martin but in the shorter distances.

He ripped off a 3:54 1500 meter race last month (equivalent to a 4:11 mile), and has done the half-mile in 1:57 and run a 49.2 quarter-mile leg on the mile relay team.

In the half mile, Tarpenning can call on Mayo and four other sub two minute runners: Joe Cook (1:55), Joe Clark (1:55), Jamin Aasum (1:57), and Kevin Shaha (1:58).

Dave Magness, who enjoyed a superb cross country season earlier this year, has already qualified for nationals at 5000 meters with a time of 14:45. Backing Magness and the versatile Martin are Mick Bailus (a qualifier in the 5000 for the nationals), Jim Russell, Scott Spruill, Rich Totten, Ron Kuentz, Richard Baer, Ralph Briggs, and Jeff Bumgarner.

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team and Eugene Register-Guard Player of the Week in baseball; high school coach was Terry Maddox; chose LCC for good business program, closeness to home, affordability, good baseball program; born in Eugene; Business Management major.

Mark Piesker, 5-7, 155, second base, Eugene [North]: Competed in football, tennis and baseball in high school; all-district in baseball in high school; M.V.P. and all-conference at Lane as freshman; high school coach was Garry Selby; chose LCC for coaching staff, affordability; Hotel and Restaurant Management major; batted .376 as freshman at LCC.

Fritz Pippin, 6-0, 165, third base-shortstop, Eugene [South]: Competed in baseball in high school; M.V.P. in Papa's Pizza

American Legion tournament; M.V.P. on American Legion team; high school coach was Jerry Gjesvold;

Mike Reese, 5-10, 180, catcher, Grants Pass: Competed in football, basketball and baseball in high school; all-conference as a junior in baseball;

Ed Stelzenmueller, 6-2, 169, pitcher, Klamath Falls: Competed in baseball in high school; high school coach was Dave Steen; came within one walk of pitching a perfect game;

Curt Smith, 6-0, 185, left field, Eugene [North]: Competed in football and baseball in high school; all-district in baseball and football in high school;

Wade Witherspoon, 6-0, 205, outfield, Cottage Grove: Competed in football, baseball and basketball in high school; first

team all-district in baseball two years;

Dave Specht, 5-10, 165, shortstop, Ashland: Competed in football, basketball, track and baseball in high school; second team all-district defensive back in football; first team all-district and first team all-state in baseball;

Kurt Tarpenning, 5-9, 160, center field, Eugene [Sheldon]: Competed in football and baseball in high school;

Tony Stearns, 6-0, 195, pitcher, Eugene [Sheldon]: Competed in football, wrestling, and baseball in high school; honorable mention all-district in baseball;

Gary Weyent, 6-1, 220, catcher-outfield-pitcher, Eugene [Churchill]: Competed in football and baseball in high school; high school coach was Larry Holbrook; chose LCC for its coaches and affordability;

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