

The TORCH

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Official announcement made Wednesday

Turner LCC's new president

Analysis by Sharen Hulegaard
TORCH Staff Writer

At the LCC board meeting, Wednesday, May 8, Larry Perry, board chair made the official announcement: LCC has a new president.

Dr. Richard Turner -- president of South Central Community College in New Haven, Connecticut for the past six years -- will become LCC's fifth president on July 1, 1985. LCC's fourth president, Dr. Eldon Schafer, retired April 30 after fifteen years as chief executive officer.

In a telephone interview from his office in Connecticut Turner stated, "I'm very happy about being selected. I look forward to beginning work with LCC - it's an exciting opportunity to come to a college with LCC's reputation."

When Schafer announced his retirement in September, a nation-wide search for a new president began. Consultants from the Association of Community College Trustees, as well as a thirteen member advisory committee of students, staff, and members of the public, screened a total of 137 applications that poured in from all over the nation and eventually presented six finalists to the LCC Board in early April. The board then narrowed the field to two on April 22.

On Thursday, May 2, Turner was in Eugene following a rigorous schedule that started with a 7:30 a.m. breakfast where he met with community leaders and local media representatives.

Later in the day Turner had lunch with incumbent President Eldon Schafer, and had the opportunity to look over

the campus and meet with faculty and students.

At a 3 p.m. open forum held on campus, Turner fielded questions on a number of topics from an almost full-house of faculty, staff, students, board members, and members of the local media. He responded in a candid, relaxed, and sometimes humorous manner to all questions.

When asked what his first objective would be if selected as LCC's next president Turner expressed the desire to "start slowly . . . to get to know the people and let them get to know me . . . let them tell me what their concerns are."

One concern in economically depressed Lane County is the problem of getting levies and budgets passed - getting local support for the college's continued operation. Turner stated that he would direct attention to establishing a "solid funding, or financial base" and work to develop "new strategies for a local basis of funding."

When asked to assess his leadership style, Turner began by saying "I derive my success from the institution. I believe in being fair, objective, and consistent." He went on to describe his management style as "participatory." "I rely on people - on vice presidents, deans, the faculty, and the board, for guidance."

Turner elicited laughter from the crowd when he stated "my name doesn't have to be in the paper all the time -- not all the time but sometimes."

When asked if he felt the community college should balance its vocational and liberal arts offerings, or if

registration should dictate what the college offers, he said "I think it should be balanced between the two . . . we must emphasize the theoretical as well as the practical. Every vocational program should have a base in liberal arts. It is not an either/or situation."

Turner, who had never been to Oregon before and knew little about the state, describes it as "a beautiful state -- a very natural, beautiful state." Of Eugene itself he mentions being very impressed with what he has seen of the city and mentions being impressed especially with the Hult Center.

Turner plans to move to Eugene permanently in July but states he will probably be back a few times before then, working on arrangements, etc. Turner waxes poetic when he smilingly describes his move (which will take him from one end of the U.S. to the other) as one "from sea to shining sea."

Budget Committee struggling

Keeping the wheels on

by Karen Irmsher
TORCH Staff Writer

"We didn't just sit down in a smoke filled room one afternoon and decide to do this," states Bill Berry, LCC vice president for Administrative Services, referring to the proposed budget cuts.

"We've been struggling with this for five solid months, and we're not done yet," he says.

Although LCC plans to spend 1.1 percent more in 1985-86 -- \$28.1 million, up

from \$27.8 million due to various cost hikes -- the money buys less.

In early January the President's Office asked all departments to assume their budgets would be cut by seven percent, to tell what they'd cut and to detail the probable effects.

Countless reports and innumerable meetings between staff and administration have culminated in the "85-86 Budget Message," a stack of documents nearly two inches thick, filled with recommendations and justifications for

these decisions, according to Berry.

All 14 members of the Budget Committee, comprised of all seven board members plus seven specially appointed committee members, received copies of the "Budget Message" Wednesday night, May 8, after the regular board meeting.

They have a week to study the document. One board member and one committee appointee become expert on each of seven sections, and the following Wednesday, May 15, each committee member reports on her/his own recommendations.

Anyone wishing to influence this process can call the President's office for names or numbers of appropriate committee members, and/or attend the May 15 meeting, says Berry.

Final decisions must be reached, and funds appropriated before the beginning of the new fiscal year, July 1.

Of the budget cuts, Bill Berry says, "It's happening all over this country. It's not just happening at LCC. We're just trying to keep the wheels on -- to keep it all going."

by Ellen Platt
TORCH Associate Editor

The LCC student body selected Serena Brooks and Deanna Bowden as 1985-86 ASLCC president and vice president, increased the student body fee from \$3 to \$5 per term, and approved the establishment of a student advisory committee to increase communication between the ASLCC Senate and students from LCC departments and clubs in the May 6 and 7 spring elections.

Brooks says "Basically our primary concerns are student awareness of government at LCC, and our awareness of what students want from their government."

Spring 1985 ASLCC Election Results

President-Vice President: Serena Michelle Brooks and Deanna Bowden -- 175; Scott J. Hammer and Derek Phelps -- 74; Martin Lewis and Joe Stipek -- 117; Denise Abrams

Elections (cont. on page 6)



Serena Brooks



Deanna Bowden

Board okays Turner, receives budget proposals

by Jackie Barry
TORCH Editor

The LCC Board of Education and the 1985-86 Budget Committee met Wednesday night, May 8.

Board of Education meeting

Board action began with approval of Dr. Richard Turner as the fifth LCC president. Turner's salary will be \$65,000, he'll receive the same benefits as other LCC management employees, and a \$300 monthly auto expense allowance (or a leased

automobile for business purposes). Turner will take office July 15. The board also approved Vice President of Instruction Gerald Rasmussen as interim president.

Jean Spriggs, an instructor at the Siuslaw Center, received the Instructor of the Year Award. Board Chair Larry Perry presented her with a plaque.

Board members received notification that LCC was chosen by Nissan Motor Corporation as a satellite facility for Nissan Technician

Technical Service Training Classes. Training sessions are expected to take place three to four times yearly and last for four to five days each time.

Besides the technicians who will attend, LCC automotive staff will be encouraged to attend these sessions.

The board also voted to admit students to the Energy Management Program only every two years and to suspend enrollment of first year students in the Forestry Program. Several students and an instructor from the Forestry

Program voiced concerns about students currently enrolled in the program and the possibility of budget cuts affecting their education. Rasmussen stated, "We do feel we have an obligation to assist those students in completing the program."

Budget Committee meeting
The Budget Committee consists of the seven board members and their appointees: Mark Wright, Carole Daly, Larry Brown, Edna Wooten-Kolin, Gary Parrish and Tom

Board (cont. on page 6)

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Turner says "thanks"

To the Torch:

I am convinced that an institution like Lane Community College achieves its exemplary status, in the main, as a result of the harmonious and cooperative efforts of its various constituent groups. Having met with representative students, faculty, staff, and administration, I am impressed with their outstanding spirit of cooperation and the warmth of their friendliness that I experienced as a visitor on April 11. The character of an institution is reflected in large part by its publications, particularly its student newspaper. *The Torch* is of most outstanding content and quality and I have enjoyed

reading the issues that you provided me.

Thank you for helping to acquaint me with Lane Community College. As you may know, I expect to return to Eugene next week. I look forward to the opportunity of talking with you again. Best personal regards.

**Cordially,
Richard M. Turner, III
President**

Editor's note: Richard Turner will become president of Lane Community College on July 1.

Students reap experience

To the Editor,

It's an exception when students at LCC choose work study experiences with the Food Service Department at

LCC. The quality of experience that students can gain is not invaluable. There are many desirable jobs that require the kinds of skills that can be developed.

The ability to think on your feet, more efficiently, and do many tasks simultaneously are much sought after skills in specialized work environments. Keen competition for computer operations jobs is one example of this.

Food service workers deal with many kinds of people. People skills are rarely learned by merely attending class and completing assignments. Crowd control and security problems faced by line staff are undoubtedly as "hairly" as those faced by concert promoters.

By nature, food service maintains a highly visible front, thus providing a student the chance to look at the problems faced by management and to get a feeling for the

challenges for the most well-paying jobs in the company.

**Gail Lockwood
Student**

Earth's life threatened by poisons

To the Editor,

Each spring, our earth is new again -- as nature generously grants us another reprieve. But what is coursing through Mother Earth's veins -- her streams, rivers, and oceans so like our own capillaries, veins, and arteries? That coursing circulation carries essential nutrients to all Earth's parts and beings, much as our bloodstream nourishes all our cells. In either case, the quantity is finite but is infinitely recycled. And in either case, purity is of

paramount importance to the well being of all. Shooting poisons into our veins would sooner or later bring us down. So it is with Mother Earth.

If you celebrate the advent of spring by buying weed killers (including the "weed 'n feeds"), bug sprays, and synthetic fertilizer, consider this: 1) Every emptied container makes more toxic waste that may destroy our groundwater for thousands of years; and 2) run-off and leaching from these pollutants is reaching our waterways, contaminating fish, wildlife, domestic animals, our bodies, and even breastmilk.

Is it really worth it? Gardens flourished before the chemical age. Wild flowers in your lawn can be enjoyed, not killed. Let children play safely with the dandelions. Let birds feed on uncontaminated earthworms and wild flower seeds.

Many of us have a spiritual basis to our environmental endeavors. I do. I believe that God is the essence and body of the Universe rather than its architect; that virtue is to love and defend all God's splendors; that evil is to destroy them; and that ignorance is not to know the difference.

**For life,
Barbara Kelley, Co-ordinator
Save Our ecoSystems, Inc.**

Reading Fair to feature funny side of life

**by Ellen Platt
TORCH Associate Editor**

"A World of Humor" is the theme of next Wednesday's (May 15) Reading Fair, which features workshops and lectures about humor, entertainment by local school children, and two spelling bees.

Jim Cloutier, author of the "Orygone" books -- and creator of the character "Hugh Wetshoe," -- will deliver the keynote speech "What Matters in Life is Often a Laughing Matter," at 9 a.m.

"The Orygone Show"

features music, dance, and drama based on Cloutier's work, performed by the Magnet Arts Players, from the Magnet Arts School, at 10 a.m.

Between 11 a.m. and noon, Dr. Ed Coleman -- professor of English and Ethnic Studies at the U of O -- will present a talk on the oral tradition of humor in black culture entitled "Talkin', Testifyin', and Jivin': Humor in Black Culture."

The fair will feature two spelling bees.

At noon, two teams com-

posed of local celebrities James Cloutier, Catherine Lauris, Don Bishoff, Jean Tate, and Margaret Nichols, vs. Jerry Rust, Peter deFazio, David Lerner, Larry Perry, and Gerald Rasmussen, will compete in the Celebrity Spelling Bee.

Immediately following this bee, The Ruff Spelling Bee, will feature LCC students competing for \$100 in prize money. The finalists are: Don Scales, Linda Harmer, Susan Iverson, Joanne Soreng, Carol Tomashche, Tracie Rae Peterson, Tia Politi, George Hochstetler, Mike Elder, and Jim Davis (their alternates are Tom Hollingsed and Cindy Heitmanek). The winners will receive \$50 for first, \$35 for second, and \$15 for third place. The prize money is the result of a \$1000 donation by former Language Arts instruc-

tor Chuck Ruff to promote good spelling at LCC. The money is administered by the LCC Development Fund.

Unless another room is specified, all events will be held in the Study Skills Center on the fourth floor of the LCC Center Building.

Humor Workshops, held between 1 p.m. and 2 p.m., will focus on the history and application of humor. LCC Counselor Bjo Ashwill will discuss "The Lighter Side of Death, Destruction, and Disability" in Center 478. Jack Powell, head of Language Arts, will look at film humor in a workshop entitled "Charlie Chapman: The Beginning of American Film Humor," in Center 420. The Clown Company will explore how slapstick humor used by clowns makes us laugh and think.

NARAL showing anti-abortion film during 'speak-out' May 9

**by Ellen Platt
TORCH Associate Editor**

To educate the public, the National Abortion Rights Action League (NARAL) will show two films about abortion, and hold a "Speak-Out" on Thursday, May 9, at 7:30 p.m. at the Central Presbyterian Church, 1475 Ferry Street in Eugene.

"The Silent Scream" -- a movie presenting anti-abortion viewpoint, produced by Dr. Bernard Nathanson, (a founder of NARAL) -- will be followed by Planned Parenthood's response to the movie, which NARAL organizers Sharon Ellison and Kitty Piercy say "Uses deception to protect his (Nathanson's) beliefs."

The movies will be followed by a discussion, and the reading of letters written by Oregon women -- and the friends and families of women -- who have had abortions, which share their experiences, and emphasize the need for legal abortion to remain an option for women.

"Certainly it (the availability of legal abortions) affects middle class and upper middle class women. The people the option has the most effect on are young women and poverty stricken women," says Piercy.

Both Piercy and Ellison stress the need to change the tone and language used by the media to report the abortion issue in a more neutral and ra-

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All correspondence must be typed and signed by the writer. Mail or bring all correspondence to: The TORCH, Room 205, Center Building, 4000 E. 30th Ave. Eugene, OR, 97405. Phone 747-4501, ext. 2655.

Student Career Talks... Advising Registration... News Schedule Changes... Transfer Information...

Grade deadlines

Friday, May 17 - Last day to withdraw with no grade record.

Friday, May 24 - Last day for grade option changes (pass/no pass and audit).

Student Associate deadline extended

The deadline for Student Associate applications is extended until Thursday, May 9 at 5 p.m. Help your fellow students and learn new skills. Student Associates work in the Counseling department assisting students at orientation, registration and in the Career Information Center. If you have any questions or wish to pick up an application, visit the Career Information Center, 2nd floor, Center Building.

Career talks

Wanda Kay, certified public accountant, will deliver the final career talk for spring term on May 23 from 3 to 4 p.m. in Forum 308. Her topic will be "Careers in Accounting: The Alternatives." Kay will present information on accounting clerks, bookkeepers, local state and federal careers -- as well as information on CPA's, auditors and financial planners. Contact the Career Information Center, ext 2297, for more information.

Dr. Schafer's May 16 career talk has been cancelled.

New programs at OIT

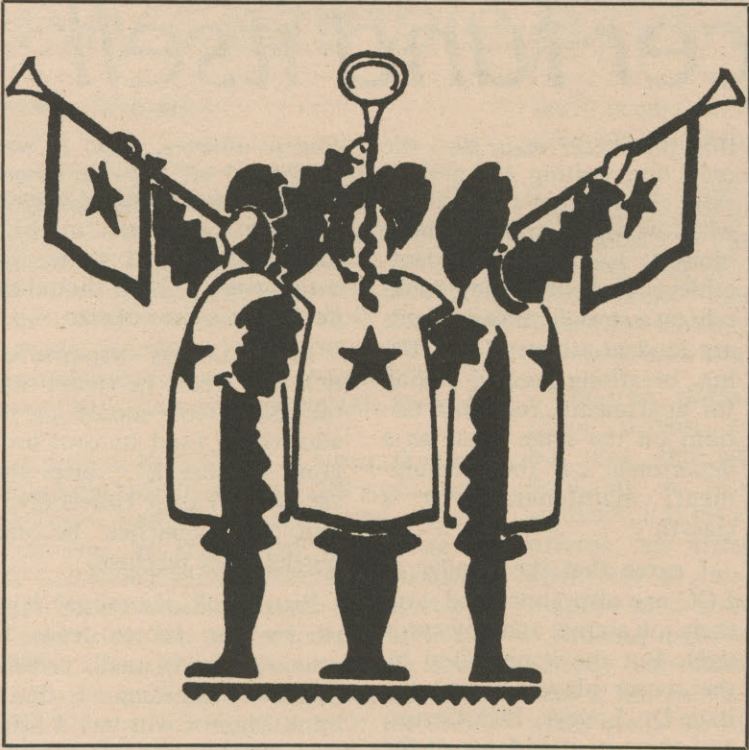
The Oregon Institute of Technology (OIT) at Klamath Falls has recently received approval for two new high-tech degree programs: Laser Electro-Optic Technology and Software Engineering Technology. If you are interested, the Career Information Center has more information.

Summer Term

Class schedules for summer term will be sent to your home on May 31. A tentative (subject to change) class schedule is available in the Counseling area of the Center Building. It may not be removed from the Counseling area and should be confirmed when the regular schedule comes out.

She handles 30,000 sheets of paper everyday

Skill, chocolate make Darlene Wilson goof proof



by Karen Irmshier
TORCH Staff Writer

The noise from the machine is so loud it's hard to talk, much less hear background music. But, amid the abrasive sound, the woman's hands flow with the easy rhythm and grace of a dancer as she quickly and expertly stacks sets of papers, each crossways from the last.

It's 4 p.m., only an hour away from quitting time. She's been here, down in the basement tending this noisy machine since 8 a.m. During that time she's touched every one of 30,000 sheets of paper at least twice. And she's still cheerful.

Darlene Wilson runs the 20-foot-long, L-shaped offset lithograph press in LCC's up-to-date print shop located in the basement of the Center Building. Although few people ever see her, since she rarely gets away from the machine, the sheets she prints end up either in, or on, nearly every notebook and desk at LCC.

Wilson says the machine, a four year old Addressograph/Multigraphics TCS/Systems 4, can turn out 10,000 copies an hour. On an average day it prints between 30,000 and 50,000 copies. In an average month, a million. But in a heavy month, like those before school starts in the fall, it puts out 1.2 million copies.

Wilson's instructions come to her in the form of work orders, sometimes up to 400 a day. Each one specifies the number of copies she needs to print, whether on one or both sides, and the size, weight and color of paper.

Many orders include additional specifications. Some need three hole drilling, some collating, others stapling --

vat, and retrieving the used plates before their numbers get out of hand -- the machine automatically connects and disconnects them from the printing drum.

Finally, she moves the finished stacks of printed paper from the collater to the jogger, which straightens them for drilling or stapling.

Class materials explaining how to fix motors, give shots, fly airplanes, work an algebraic equation, identify parts of plants, and write short stories -- they all go through Wilson's fingers.

With innumerable ways to mess up a job, Barry Vaughn, coordinator of Printing and Graphics, estimates Wilson's errors at less than one half of 1 percent. "She's a hard worker. Always very amiable," he says.

Co-worker Edna Kennel, a graphic designer in an adjacent, noticeably quieter room, states emphatically, "In my opinion, she's probably the hardest working person on campus. She's cheerful, pleasant, makes few demands, and rolls well with the punches."

At the Health Occupations Department, one of the heaviest consumers of print, nursing secretary, Kay Mueller, types most of the instructional materials for the

nursing program, and often needs material printed quickly. Mueller says, "When I start to panic, I go to Darlene," and Wilson is always willing to take a less urgent order off the press to run another with an earlier deadline.

And Mueller reveals, "Darlene will do almost anything for chocolate!" She recounts an instance where Wilson agreed to stay late to get out a rush job -- in exchange for a piece of chocolate cream pie.

Wilson confirms the story. She's also been bribed with M&Ms, she confesses.

"And she always looks so good," Mueller marvels.

This is particularly remarkable when you consider she spends most of her day within 4 feet of an open vat of ink and rotating, inked drums. She does pretty well keeping clean, she says, and never wears an apron. But the TCS seems to know when she wears a light colored blouse. It may go all day without splattering her, only to toss a few drops of

ink on her sleeve as she cleans it at the end of the day.

Wilson has worked in the LCC print shop five years, and in other print shops prior to this one. Here, she started as the bindery operator, then ran the old press. When the TCS/Systems 4 machine was installed four years ago, an Addressograph/Multigraph company representative taught her how to operate and maintain it -- in one afternoon.

Wilson has lived in Eugene since 1940. Her husband, also a printer, runs the big offset, four color press at the U of O. Several of his prints are displayed prominently on the walls and pillars near Wilson's press.

They have two grown daughters, 23 and 29, and enjoy working in their yard growing flowers. She works off the chocolate by riding her exercise bike while dinner cooks.

"I wish I had a photographic memory so I could learn everything I've printed," she muses. "I'd be so smart."

jobs done elsewhere in the print shop.

Wilson spends most of her time walking up and down next to the big press, tending its needs -- and it always needs something. While the containers of electrostatic fluid, toner, water and blanket cleaner usually need but one filling a day, she's constantly adding stacks of fresh paper or printing plates, feeding it new masters to copy, filling the ink

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Angela Arm's toss of 131'

LCC's women's and men's teams begin Region IV competition this weekend in Roseburg. Starting time is 1 p.m. Friday and 12 noon Saturday.

Obtain applications for **Torch editor** from Pete Peterson, 205E Center Building.
Obtain applications for **Denali editor** from Peggy Marston, 431 Center Building or Dorothy Wearne, 205D Center Building.
The deadline for applications is Friday May 17, at 5 p.m. and should be returned to Peterson, Marston, or Wearne.

The end result? This is the eighties. Let people raise their own money if they want to. And, most importantly, LCC's administrative brass should have better communication and concern for its **tuition payers.**

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Kelly's gamble pays off at USFL's Houston club

Feature by John Egan
TORCH Sports Writer

Since the beginning of last season, when he spurned the NFL's Buffalo Bills and opted for the USFL, Houston Gamblers' quarterback Jim Kelly has been full of surprises.

Monday night, against the Portland Breakers, Kelly completed 32 of 45 passes for 348 yards and four touchdowns, ran for a score, and lead the Gamblers to a 45-7 rout. No surprises here, he's been doing this since day one.

Last season, Kelly's first as a pro, the Univ. of Miami graduate threw for 5,219 yards and 44 touchdowns, leading Houston to the playoffs. In one year he established himself as the USFL's all-time leading passer, and was named league's most valuable player. At his current pace this season, last year's records will shatter.

All this makes Kelly popular with the media, and a hard man to pin down after games. But, after ESPN, the *Houston Chronicle*, the *Oregonian*, and the rest of the press corps were through fighting over Kelly, it was my turn.

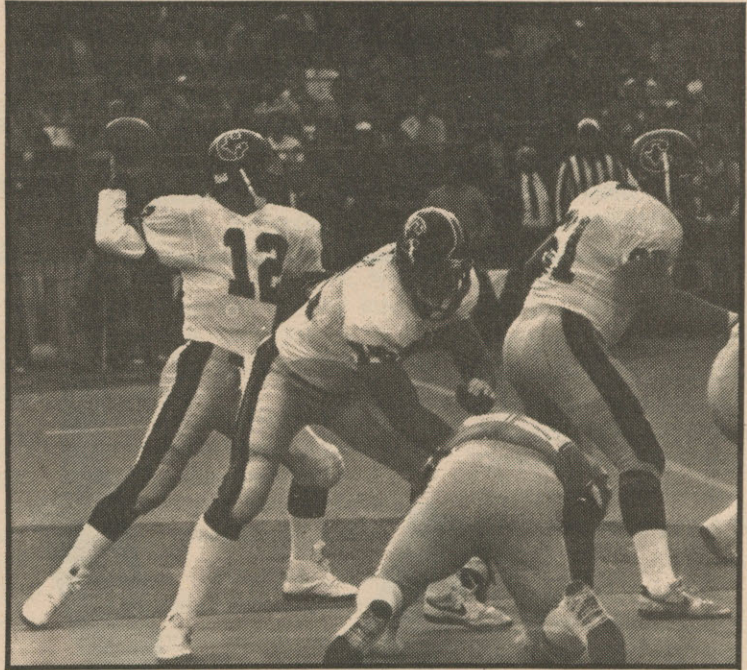
At 6' 3", 215 pounds, Kelly commands as

much respect for his physical appearance as he does for his playing ability.

This guy could have the greatest season in football history, and no one's enjoying it more than he is. "If I stay healthy I've got a chance to break a lot of records this year," said Kelly with a smile. "And so does Richard (Johnson). Houston's slotback, who, being Kelly's number one target, is on a reception record pace.)"

Houston operates out of the "run and shoot" offense, which means Kelly does little but pass. But while the law of averages is definitely a factor in Kelly's impressive statistics, it is his ability to operate the difficult offense, his uncanny knack for finding the open receiver, and his precision passing that makes him so good.

Monday night was just another chapter to an already unbelievable story, and who knows how it will end. Looking for a possible clue, I asked Kelly for his thoughts about playing in the NFL. "It doesn't really matter," he said. "I'm making a lot of money, getting a lot of endorsements . . . besides, football is football."



Kelly zeros in on his target.

Photo by Gary Breedlove

Titans' Box Scores:

Roadrunners 3, 3
Titans 4, 2

LCC's baseball squad split a league double-header with the Linn-Benton Roadrunners at home Saturday, May 4, solidifying its second place hold with a 10-8 record.

How they scored:

Game one

Third inning: LBCC takes 1-0 lead.
Fourth inning: LCC seizes 2-1 advantage.
Fifth inning: LCC builds 4-1 lead after power hitters Ted Davis and Dan Vidos hit back-to-back solo homers with two outs.
Seventh inning: LBCC rallies for two runs, but loses 4-3.

Game two

First inning: LCC takes early 1-0 lead when Ted Davis slugs second solo homer of day.

Third inning: Both teams send a runner across home, 2-1.

Seventh inning: LBCC rallies to tie the game at 2-2, scoring a run off LCC relief pitcher Gary Fannesbeck, sending the game into extra innings.

Eighth inning: LBCC's Chris Kemp seals the victory with a solo home run.

Wildcats 1, 1
Titans 2, 3

LCC's second match-up of the weekend at home, May 5, was a non-league double-header against the Linfield Wildcats' JV squad.

The Titans swept Linfield 2-1, 3-1, off solid pitching performances from Dave Matthews -- who threw four shut out innings in relief and starter John Olson (gave up only three hits) in game one. Freshman Aaron Helfrich, in the line-up after being sidelined with strained knee ligaments, shut out Linfield for four innings in relief in game two. LCC's overall record improved to 20-13.

How they scored:

Game one

First inning: LCC got on track early, going ahead 1-0.
Second inning: Linf. knots score at 1-1. The score stood until extra innings.
Eighth inning: Lane scores winning run.

Game two

First inning: LCC's offense broke out early again, scoring two runs.
Second inning: Linf. broke the shut out, scoring its only run of the game, cutting LCC's lead, 2-1.
Sixth inning: LCC scores an insurance run, preserving the 3-1 win.

Saturday, May 11, the Titans travel to Gresham to take on the first place Mt. Hood Saints in a crucial league double-header. The Saints have swept both double-headers this season between the two squads.

"Mt. Hood kind of has our number right now, they've beat us four times, so we have a little revenge to pay them," said LCC Head Baseball Coach Bob Foster.

Titans Baseball by Darren Foss

ARENA

Track

May 9-11: NWAACC track championships at Roseburg Oregon.

May 23: Oregon State University Twilight Meet.

June 1: Prefontaine Classic at Hayward Field.

Baseball

May 11: Double-header at Mt. Hood Community College. 1 p.m.

May 14: Double-header at Umpqua Community College. 1 p.m.

Soccer

May 18-19: Second Annual Eugene Athletic Soccer Cup at LCC Soccer Bowl.

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Stephen E. Lewis

NARAL (cont. from page 2)

Ellison says NARAL seeks to inform the public of several things: The pro-choice groups are compassionate and care for all -- the mother, her other children, and the fetus -- who are affected by the decision to have an abortion; that abortions will not stop because they are illegal, but instead will become more dangerous for women who seek them; and the young and the poor will be most affected by changes in abortion laws.

Board (cont. from page 1)

Thompson. After receiving and reviewing the Budget Document, the committee heard statements presented by members of the LCC Soccer Team regarding the proposed elimination of the soccer program at LCC. Team member Ed Garrow stated the team was able to raise \$8,000 this year and could easily raise the required \$12,000 needed to fund next year's program. He said several team members gave up scholarship opportunities so

that more money would remain in the program.

Board member Mary Unruh moved that the Student Service sub-committee of the Budget Committee look at the soccer situation and report back at the Wednesday, May 15 meeting.

Jim Pitney, also a board member, stated this budget is "the scariest thing I've seen yet. . .we're doing things we haven't done before" he said about proposed cuts of entire programs.

Elections (cont. from page 1)

and Jim Munyer -- 120.
Treasurer: Robert Ward -- 342
Cultural Director: Mike Moldofsky -- 339
Senators: Kevin "E.Z." Olmstead -- 275; Randal A. Scovel -- 286; Marie Sode -- 21; Kris Pahle -- 18; Corina Lynn Irwin -- 13; Brad Thompson -- 5; Shaughn Shuey -- 5; Diane Occhuito -- 4; William Dickinson -- 4

Ballot Measure 1 -- passing 381 yes to 124 no -- will increase the student body fee,

for credit classes, from \$3 to \$5 per term. The increased fees will be levied all terms, beginning this summer term.

Ballot Measure 2 -- which establishes a student advisory committee to be composed of ASLCC senators and students from LCC departments and clubs next fall -- passed 428 yes to 67 no.

ASLCC Vice President Meredith Myers reports 525 students (nine and one half percent) of the 6,157 eligible to cast a ballot voted in the election.



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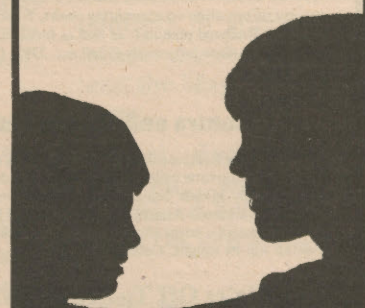
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The TORCH

May 9, 1985

Award Winning Student Newspaper



Photo by Gary Breedlove

Dr. Richard Turner, LCC's new president, emphasizes balance between liberal arts and vocational studies. Turner assumes office July 1. See story on page 1.

Omnium-Gatherum

Please submit entries to Omnium-Gatherum in the format in which you want them to appear. Priority will be given to LCC related events and entries will be chosen on a first-come basis. Torch editors reserve the right to edit for length.

Eugene artists tour

The Lane Regional Arts Council and the Westmoreland Community Center offer a unique opportunity to tour the studios of four Eugene artists from 1:15-4:15 p.m. on May 11. The cost is \$6. Transportation is provided. For details call the center at 687-5316.

Brown bag lunches

The Lane Women's Political Caucus will have lunches each Wednesday (May 15, 22, and 29) upstairs in the Eugene Public Library, from noon to 1 p.m. For information call 485-2221.

Mental health month

Save a Mind, Inc. (SAM) will hold a candlelight gathering at the County Courthouse plaza at 8th and Oak streets, on Thursday, May 16, at 8 p.m.

U of O Exhibition

The University of Oregon Museum of Art and The School of Architecture and Allied Arts are pleased to announce the annual exhibition of works by candidates for the Master of Fine Arts Degree. The exhibition will run from May 12 - June 16 with the closing reception June 16. Museum hours are noon - 5 p.m., Wednesday-Sunday. Closed holidays.

Accounting Careers

A career talk entitled, "Careers in Accounting: The Alternatives" will be delivered May 23 from 3-4 p.m. in Forum 308. Wanda Kay, a CPA from ECO Northwest, will discuss the types of careers in accounting that are available to you. She will present information on accounting clerks, bookkeepers, CPAs, auditors, financial planners, as well as local, state, and federal careers. For more information, call ext. 2297, Career Information Center.

Contra and Square Dance

The Eugene Folklore Society will sponsor a contra & square dance with Spokane caller Penn Fix on Saturday, May 11 at 8 p.m. at Kelly Middle School, 850 Howard Ave. Music will be provided by Laurie Andres on accordion and Edith Farrar on piano. Please no street shoes. Singles/beginners welcome. All dances will be taught. Cost \$3-3.50.

We're Off To See the Wizard

The Wizard of Oz -- come join the magic at Willamette Theatre (1801 Echo Hollow Road, Eugene). Karen Saddington-Falisse will direct with musical direction by Dan Shuholm. The play opens on Friday, May 10, and runs May 11; 16, 17, 18. Curtain goes up at 8 p.m. Adults \$3, students \$2. Call 689-0731.

Oregon Country Fair

Registration for booths begins at the Eugene Saturday Market, April 27 between 1 and 4 p.m., and continues every Saturday until May 18. Applications can also be sent to the Oregon Country Fair, P.O. Box 2972, Eugene, 97402. For more information call 343-6148.

Birth to Three

Birth to Three will sponsor a special event at the Birth to Three office, 34411-1 Willamette, on Wednesday, May 15, at 7:30 p.m. Marriage and family counselors Wendy Maltz and Don Mihaloev will share thoughts on and explore the topic of Marital Relations, with special attention given to the period after the arrival of the baby. Suggested donations are \$1.50 for Birth to Three members and \$2.50 for non-members. Call Birth to Three, 484-4401 for more information.

Healing Through Meditation

A public lecture entitled, "Healing Through Meditation" will be held Wednesday, May 15, at 7:30 p.m. in the Tibetan Library located at 1159 Mill St., Eugene. Chagdud Tulku Rinpoche will be giving this lecture. Public admission is \$5. It is sponsored by Eugene-Cottage Grove Yeshe Nyingpo.

Kids & Kin Head Start

The Kids & Kin Head Start program of Lane County is now accepting applications for the Fall of 1985. Children ages 4 and 5, who will be starting public school in the Fall of 1986 are eligible. Head Start serves 243 low-income families who meet federal income guidelines. Programs are located in Eugene, Springfield, Bethel, and surrounding areas. For more information and applications call Head Start at 689-9290.

Abortion speak out

NARAL is sponsoring a speak out Thursday, May 9 at 7:30 p.m. in the Central Presbyterian Church, 1475 Ferry. A showing of "The Silent Scream" and the Planned Parenthood rebuttal will be followed by discussion. For more information call 485-2221.

No Nukes Ball

Twelve organizations are sponsoring the 9th Annual No Nukes Ball, Mother's Day, May 12 at the CCPA at 8th and Lincoln, Eugene. Dance music will be provided by The Cashiers and Portland's Johnny and the Distractions. There will be other entertainment including children's activities. Admission is on a sliding scale of \$4-6 with a \$1 discount for the first hour. Doors will open at 6 p.m. Proceeds will benefit CALS, CISCAP, WAND and the Peace and Justice Network of Lane County. For more information call 344-7507 or 343-8548.

Black women's scholarships

The Zeta Sigma Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority is offering a \$500 scholarship for black women who will be second year students as of Fall 1985. The student must be full-time with a cumulative GPA of not less than 2.5. Completed applications, required attachments and official transcripts must be received by May 30, 1985. For more information and application forms contact Kent Gorham, Multicultural Center, Center 409.

Retention workshop

A Student Retention Committee Spring Term Workshop for faculty and any other interested parties will be held on May 9 from 1-3 p.m. in the Performing Arts Theater. Dr. Ron Petrie will speak on "Teaching Styles, Learning Styles: Capitalizing on Classroom Differences in Multicultural Education."

Spring concerts

Lane Dance Theatre and C. Rider Dance Co. will be giving performances on June 7 and 8 in the LCC Performing Arts Theatre, at 8 p.m. For more information contact Mary Seereiter, LCC Health and P.E. Dept. 726-2215.

Friends of the Spring Trust Inc.

Cougar Hot Springs invites all friends to its monthly meeting May 13 at 7 p.m. in the Eugene Public Library. We need five to seven new Board of Trustees and a large insurance payment. Donation can be sent to Springs Trust Inc. P.O. Box 11681 or call Ave at 484-9204.

Your presence is needed

May 15, at 10 a.m. at the Agency, 267 Van Buren, Eugene, OR. 97402. Information will be given about a musical television video that will be taped in Eugene. For more information contact Mike Stevens, 343-7242.

National Senior center week

The city of Eugene, Willamalane and Junction City Senior Centers are celebrating National Senior Center Week, May 13 through 18. Join the celebration by attending a center open house, class or workshop. Contact your area senior center, or call 687-5333.

Mother's Day gift making workshop

The Sheldon Community Center is offering a gift making workshop for Mother's Day, on May 10 from 9 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. for preschoolers, and between 3:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. for children in grades 1-5. The cost is \$2.50 for preschoolers and \$3.50 for first through fifth grades.

Hawaiian Luau

The annual Hawaiian "haole" luau is coming up at LCC on Thursday, June 6. The annual luau is prepared and served by students in LCC's Food Service Management program.

The cost is \$8 for adults, \$4 for children and includes entertainment and beverage. A wine bar will offer wine at \$1 per glass. For more information call 747-4501, ext. 2519.

Hispanic scholarships

Scholarship Awards programs for Hispanics are being offered by Image de Oregon, a national organization serving Hispanic employment interests in the public and private sectors. If you are an undergraduate enrolled full-time and possess a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA, you may be eligible. Deadline for applications is May 31, 1985. For more information contact Kent Gorham, LCC Multicultural Center, Rm. 409.

Hispanic women's scholarships

Mujeres De Oregon, Inc. is a non-profit women's organization offering scholarships to Hispanic women. The organization accesses and disseminates information regarding employment, health, education, and housing to Hispanic women in Oregon. June 1, 1985 is the deadline for receiving scholarship applications. Forms are available at the Women's Center and the Multicultural Center on the LCC campus.

Student exchange

An information session on LCC's exchange program with Nagasaki-Wesleyan Junior College is planned for Wednesday, May 15 at 3 p.m. in the Administration Board Room. The session will provide information for LCC students interested in attending the Japanese school, as well as local residents interested in becoming host families for the Japanese student who will attend LCC next year. For information call Mason Davis at ext. 2239.

Surplus food

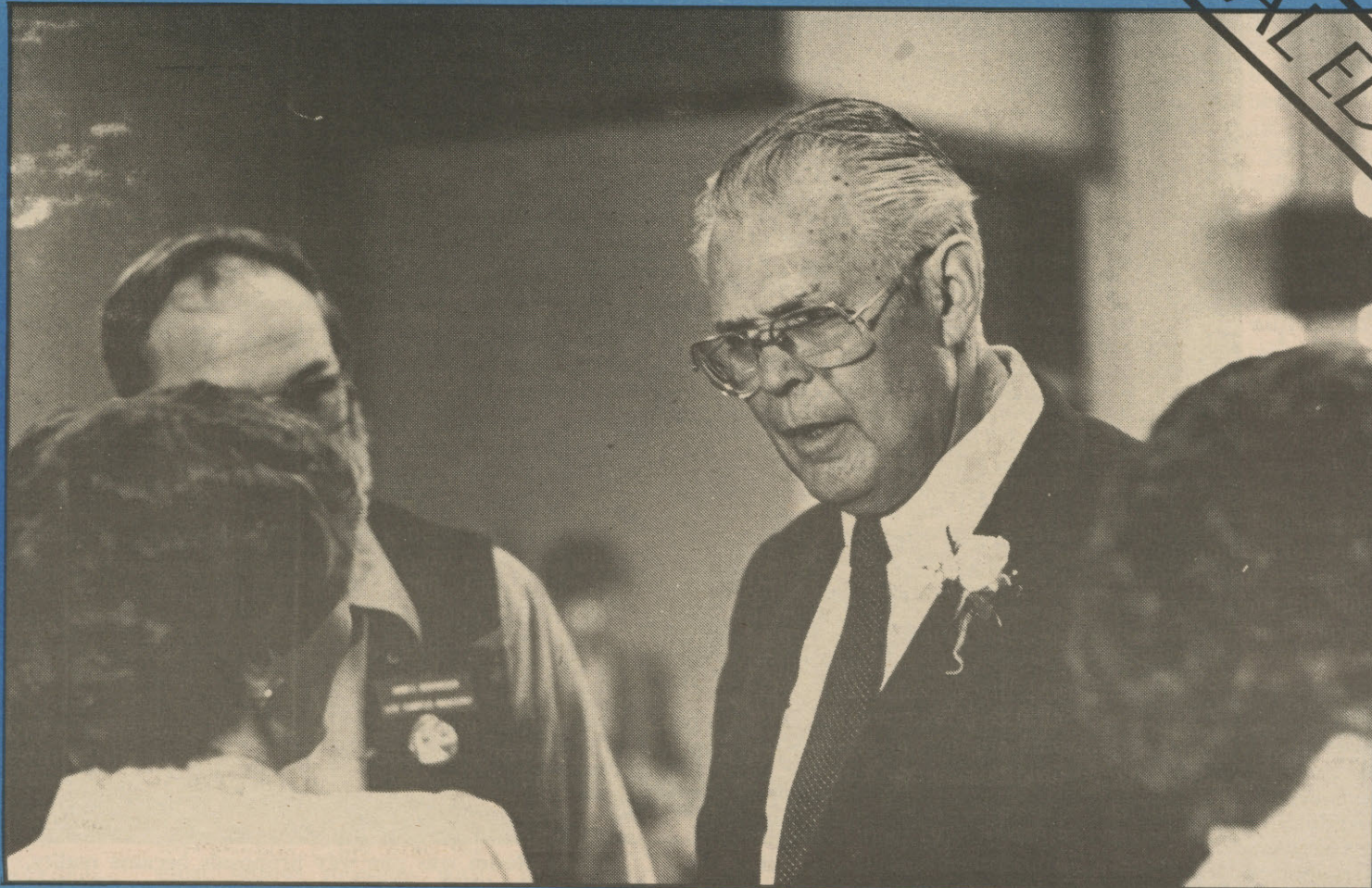
There will be another distribution of surplus food on Wednesday, May 15 in the LCC cafeteria from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cheese and flour will be distributed this time (no butter).

Advisory Committee applications

The Lane County Board of Commissioners is seeking applications from citizens interested in serving on the Resource Recovery Advisory Committee. An at-large member is needed who will attend the monthly meetings and do specialized tasks. Application deadline is Wednesday, May 15, 1985.

The Lane County Library Advisory Committee is also seeking applicants. There are three open positions for residents of the following areas: West of the Coast Range; Eugene; and Springfield. The meetings are also monthly and this job has specialized tasks. Applications are available in the Board of Commissioners' Office located on the Plaza Level of the Public Service Building at 125 East 8th Ave. in Eugene. For additional information, or to request applications, please call 687-4203.

SPECIAL EDITION



President Schafer visited with several hundred well-wishers at an all-campus retirement reception held in his honor on Wednesday, April 24 in the LCC Cafeteria.

Photo by Ann Van Camp

ELDON G. SCHAFER:

Many things to many people...

...a "Moose," a grizzly bear, a teddy bear...

In college, his nickname was "Moose." During his 15 years at LCC he's been called a "grizzly bear" and a "teddy bear."

Eldon G. Schafer, 63, LCC's fourth president, was known for his awesome (*Moose*) physique (6 feet 4 inches and possibly in excess of 250 pounds), his aggressive (*grizzly bear*) style, and also for his kind and supportive (*teddy bear*) demeanor during his tenure at LCC.

He grew up in Molalla, Oregon and graduated from Molalla Union High School in 1939 after lettering three years in football, basketball, and baseball. He was all-conference in football in 1938 in the Willamette Valley League.

During World War II Schafer served in the Army's 13th Armored Division. He worked as an airbrush artist and played competitive sports for the military in California and Texas before serving overseas. "I was one of those fortunate guys," he says. "Big, left-handed -- with the agility and ability to play football, basketball and baseball in any setting." But he served in Germany near the end of the war there -- in fact, Schafer and his unit were on the second floor of Hitler's home in Braunau, Austria on the very day "when the Germans capitulated."

After the war, he attended Pomona College, receiving a bachelor of arts degree in 1948. He co-captained the 1947 Pomona grid squad and was named to the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference all-conference team.

Schafer earned masters of arts and a doctor of philosophy degree from Claremont Graduate School in California.

He coached high school and college sports and after entering administration, became a principal, a superintendant, and a college associate dean in California before appointment as the founding president of Linn-Benton Community College in Albany.

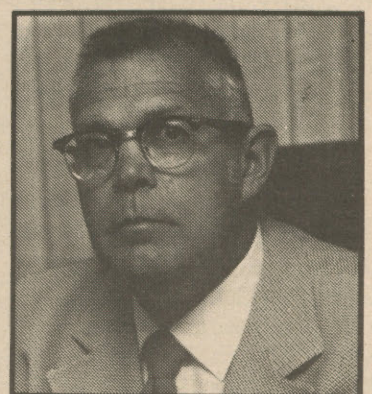
"When I unexpectedly had the opportunity to come to Oregon in 1967 and found Linn-Benton," Schafer states, "it was truly with the intention that we'd return to California within five years -- never had any intention of remaining in Oregon even though I was a

native Oregonian."

But then, in 1970, the LCC Board of Education invited Schafer to apply for its presidency. "You don't like to leave a successful ship."

That was the case, too, at LCC, where he remained for 15 years, retiring April 30. In the next few pages *The Torch* attempts to recreate some of Schafer's successes, problems, and activities during those years, through the eyes of former *Torch* editors, past and present administrators, and other interested parties.

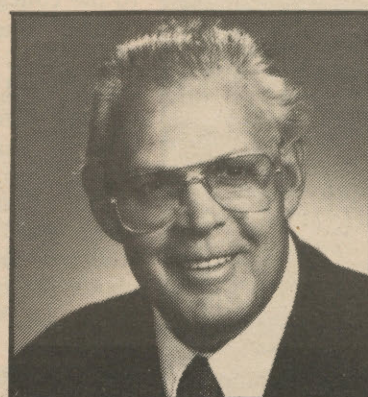
Eldon Schafer,
appearing in
the Torch,



in 1973,

and again,

in 1983



...a giant with a national reputation...

Lane Community College generated a lot of energetic activity during Schafer's 15 years.

The list of awards Schafer received (see next page for the list), and those the college earned under his leadership, made LCC "A giant among community colleges."

But, every Goliath has its David, and so, LCC's achievements have been accompanied by some struggle.

After *Torch* reporters reviewed the records and talked to several administrators, past and present (as well as Schafer himself), the achievements and struggles -- at least those that made headlines -- unfolded as follows...

League for Innovation

"His greatest achievement is obviously the national reputation he has helped the college attain," says Board of Education member Charlene Curry.

As a result of this reputation, the League for Innovation invited LCC to join its ranks, giving Lane greater contact with other innovators

Schafer is proud of this validation and says, "It was a springboard that allowed us to do so many things -- to piggyback on a lot of funding opportunities." He names it as the single-most important opportunity over the last 15 years: It "gave us a national window from the Northwest which probably never would've come to us," and it gave outsiders the opportunity to learn that LCC did "some fascinating things."

As an innovative college, LCC attempted many new projects. Schafer lists the Productivity Center, innovative instructional techniques (the many approaches to individualized instruction), Open Entry/Exit programs, and the use of media technology among the many risks that paid off.

There are others:

Business Assistance Center

Former Eugene Mayor Gus Keller, speaking at Schafer's April 26 retirement dinner, praised Schafer for "believing the public and private sectors could and should work together, and he proved it could be done."

Indeed, Schafer's idea to form a business assistance program worked well with dozens of businesses -- in many cases meaning the difference between red ink and profit.

"You've heard the idea of a lightbulb flashing in your head," says Schafer. "We already had a lot of the programs. We needed to pull 'em together, give 'em more



Burning the midnight oil in the LCC Board Room was one way proposals became reality. Schafer felt he had a good working relationship with Board members. According to Charlene Curry, Schafer never missed a meeting.

Torch file photo

visibility, provide some new money and hire a director."

Vice President of Administrative Services Bill Berry says reports indicated that some small businesses would "go under" without some help. "Without looking like we were trying to take over businesses, we thought we could serve as a teaching facility and offer assistance with the type of help they needed most: Setting up bookkeeping, payroll records, and accounting records," he says.

According to Berry the BAC cost less than \$100,000 and it went into action within 45-60 days.

"That was a great bonanza for Lane," says Schafer, because then the federal Small Business Administration investigated the program, liked what it saw, and asked LCC to serve as the first community college in the country to administer a statewide network of similar programs at other community colleges.

The College Cabinet

Rumors, says Schafer, can be a real problem on college campuses. Rumors sometimes reach crisis proportions and "then it's time to call a meeting... but often it's too late."

So for this reason and for better communication in general, in 1971 Schafer started weekly *uninhibited* college cabinet meetings "to get things aired early -- before they become a crisis."

The President's Cabinet is composed of representatives elected or selected by various

groups: The president of the classified employees; president of the faculty union; a management representative; a representative from vocational instruction; the ASLCC president; and a representative from the administration.

Cabinet members do not make decisions or vote. Schafer says the meetings create an opportunity for "airing questions and concerns... for sounding out new ideas... for nipping rumors in the bud."

Schafer also uses the meetings as a sounding board for new ideas. The informal discussions between the representatives from all campus levels, says Schafer, often provide him with valuable notions which define the direction decisions will take. "It's extremely helpful to me," he says.

The LCC Foundation

For the last 14 years, businesses, individuals and organizations have responded to the LCC Foundation's annual fund-raising project by donating more than \$485,000 to the college.

And since November of 1983 LCC employees have contributed more than \$15,000 -- over three percent of the total -- through The President's Club.

The Foundation has, in turn, made small awards to students, faculty, and departments for training, participation in seminars, and sometimes for equipment -- that the college could not fund through the normal operating budget.

LCC Downtown Center

Although he still has "second thoughts" about the decision to buy and convert the old Montgomery Ward building as a downtown campus, Schafer was glad that LCC was encouraged to locate downtown.

"The problem of student parking is going to become more and more critical," says Schafer, and he wonders if LCC's presence there will really be positive in the long run.

Trips To China

In October of 1982, and again in 1984, the World Bank invited President Schafer to visit The People's Republic of China on "appraisal missions" to help that country determine what facilities and equipment it needs to begin a national network of polytechnic colleges.

Schafer was the only American invited as an educational consultant, and expects to make four additional month-long trips through 1988.

Last, Biggest Award

This April, a national panel of experts on two-year colleges named LCC as one of the country's five outstanding community colleges.

The panel used the following criteria: Student success; strong presidential leadership; teaching excellence; and national recognition.

"This recognition means more than the many awards Lane has received over the years," says Schafer.

But there were some who lost administrative battles with Schafer and the institution.

KLCC Lay-Offs

The most celebrated case of employee dismissal on the LCC campus was probably the "lay-off" of five KLCC employees at the end of 1976.

KLCC was under the jurisdiction of the Mass Communications Department at the time and received money from LCC and the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB). One of the CPB policies required KLCC to employ five full-time staff members. In 1975, the department proposed that the five KLCC managers be required to possess baccalaureate degrees -- so that they might teach classes in addition to running the radio station.

Both acting Department Head Mike Hopkinson and Vice President of Instruction Gerald Rasmussen felt LCC would save a substantial sum of money as a result of the requirement.

Some of the laid-off staff members were evaluated for teaching certification more than a year before the lay-offs. But certification was denied because the only radio experience the candidates had was with KLCC and because they didn't have enough formal education. Ultimately, the college laid-off five employees. But there was another issue involved. In the Nov. 17, 1976 *Torch*, Schafer was quoted as telling the Board of Education that KLCC "wasn't really serving the students" as an instructional tool, and that KLCC had "slipped further and further away... (It had) become almost autonomous."

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...a 'Devil's advocate,' a firm CEO...

by Ann Van Camp
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Working with Eldon Schafer means *working* with Eldon Schafer. According to Jack Carter, vice president of Student Services, "He works hard. He *likes* his work. He's positive and enthusiastic. He doesn't expect more from anyone else than he expects from himself, but he's not one to expect *little* of a person either." In Carter's opinion, Schafer's expectations have helped people rise to their fullest potential and capabilities.

And this seems to be the unanimous consensus of President Schafer's main administrative support, Larry Warford, Gerald Rasmussen, Jack Carter and Bill Berry.

Gerald Rasmussen, vice president of instruction, saw three presidents come and go in the first five years the college was open. He says his first impression of Schafer demonstrates the style Schafer was to assert for the next fifteen years.

Shortly before Schafer's arrival, Rasmussen was asked by the Board of Education to write a report on the college's lag in communication. He wrote the report and it was on the board docket by the time Schafer arrived to attend his first board meeting.

"Schafer told me 'the *only* person to report to the board should be the CEO (chief executive officer) if this is going to be run as a good administration.' " Rasmussen says Schafer did *indeed* present the report, "and all *future*

reports were written to the President. I have never regretted his firm stand from the beginning...and I've never made the same mistake twice."

The staff agrees that Schafer doesn't let *any* incidents get in the way of a good working relationship. "There was always a fresh slate the next day. . .and there are no games or hidden agendas." Rasmussen summed it up with, "He's *extremely* open. He doesn't have the time or patience to play games."

But President Schafer *does* have a good sense of humor. Larry Warford, executive assistant to the president, says Schafer doesn't take himself too seriously. "He can laugh at himself and he enjoys laughing at the ridiculous things human beings get themselves into in just everyday situations." Although Schafer doesn't tell jokes much, his staff agrees he takes jokes very well. And Warford says Schafer opens even the most serious meetings with enough light-heartedness to relax tensions.

"He's an avid reader - a readaholic - he reads all the time. He reads up on some major new trend and then the next time we meet he's apt to say 'what about that, Rasmussen (or to any of us for that matter) -- what are we doing about that?' Sometimes he's only kidding, but most of the time he wants us to look into it."

Warford recalls Schafer's reputation and success at LCC

was (and is) far-reaching. Before coming to LCC in 1970, Warford was the dean of Continuing Education at Iowa's Central Community College in Fort Dodge, Iowa. Warford heard about the success of LCC's Individualized Instruction in Math and some of the vocational areas. He says other innovative "LCC Schafer" approaches were regular news through the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges (AACJC).

Warford thinks his first meeting with Schafer is similar to what many people experience. "The way he made me feel the first day I came to see him in his office is one of his most outstanding characteristics. He can be *extremely* busy, dealing with the most serious issues. But the moment someone walks into his office, he gets up from his desk and comes around and shakes your hand. He says 'have a chair' and then he makes you feel like you and what you have to say are the most important thing on his mind at the time."

Berry says that there is a great deal of flexibility under Schafer's leadership. "We can make things happen in a fairly short period of time. When there's a void, he's quick to see a solution and put it into action. He's probably got hundreds of ideas in his head that haven't surfaced to the top yet. But you can bet when any of them do -- we get an assignment!"

Carter says working with Schafer's positive attitude is a

plus. "There are times when everyone gets depressed -- after we've lost an election, for instance. There are always choices at that point, and Eldon doesn't dwell on losses. He's apt to say something like, 'Okay--we lost. *Now* -- what direction are we going to take from here?' He simply doesn't allow disappointment to slow him down. He has a style that make his people *make* things happen."

The staff agrees Schafer works under the constant desire for positive change so that the college can keep out on the cutting edge. Rasmussen observes, "He *likes* to be number one -- to be first. He's an old athlete, you know, and he just never got over that liking."

Carter says Schafer gets good discussions out of his

staff. "He plays the Devil's advocate -- not to provoke us personally, but as an exercise so we'll be thorough. He asks the tough questions CEO's need to ask." Carter says it's all part of the Schafer style. "He asks for our input, and he makes sure we've done our homework."

Carter describes Schafer's authority as one of LCC's greatest assets. "Someone with Eldon's energy and contacts throughout the country can put things in motion. And he has used both energy and contacts to move Lane Community College in the direction he felt was positive. He is willing to take the risks needed to keep the college on the cutting edge. . .and he does it by learning all he can and making us explore all we can. It's good for all of us."

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"It hurt a lot at the time," says current KLCC Music Director Michael Canning, who was laid-off from his job as music director during the upheaval, but continued to volunteer at KLCC. He still has no degree, but served as program director for KRVM

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for three years. "It was pretty well orchestrated," Canning states. "It was designed to get rid of us and that's what it did."

But Schafer's involvement was peripheral according to KLCC News Director Don Hein. "He did what had to be done as an administrator," says Hein. "He approaches this radio station as an innovator and we're thankful for that."

Goldmark Investment

But Schafer hasn't always followed the advice of other staff members. One such case was the "Peter Goldmark Affair."

"A good CEO asks for input -- then he makes his own decision," says Rasmussen of Schafer's decision to approve the Goldmark investment plan even though 19 out of 20 departments opposed it.

In 1978, a brilliant inventor named Peter Goldmark (who invented the long-play record and the technology for color television) approached Schafer, saying he had the technological know-how to transmit an hour's worth of

videotaped information in five seconds. Goldmark suggested LCC might transmit telecourses in this manner so people could then view the stored transmission in their homes at their leisure.

Rasmussen remembers the presentation Schafer made to the various departments and his summary of the vote: "Nineteen no, one aye. The ayes have it. He was convinced that was the direction to take," says Rasmussen.

The college approved an investment of \$150,000. But Goldmark was still developing the technology, and soon after, when he was killed in an auto accident, the idea died with him.

All was not lost, however. Goldmark's idea lead to LCC's membership in the Access Corporation which forms the basis for LCC's present Telecourse program. And according to Telecourse Coordinator Cynde Leathers, nearly 12,000 students have enrolled in the program since the first course aired in 1979.

See related opinions from former Torch editors on the back page.

...an award winner...

Current Activities and Honors:

- Eugene Private Industry Council
- Lane County Private Industry Council
- Board of Directors, Oregon-Pacific Economic Development Corporation
- Board of Directors, Lane County United Way
- Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges (NWASC)
- National Advisory Committee, Community College Productivity Center
- Board of Directors, Eugene Area Chamber of Commerce
- Advisory Board, Eugene League of Women Voters
- Chair of accreditation teams in four states (NWASC)
- Joint Committee on Economic Diversification

Former Activities and Honors:

- 1984, Person of the Year Award, Region X, National Council on Community Services and Continuing Education
- 1982-83, Council for Advanced Science and Engineering Education/Research for Industry (CASEERI)
- 1979-83, Council on Postsecondary Accreditation Board (COPA)
- 1982, Member Visiting Team to Peoples Republic of China (World Bank China Basic Colleges/TVU Project)
- 1982, University of Oregon's Oregon Pioneer Award
- 1981, Marie Y. Martin Professional Educator Award by Association of Community College Trustees
- 1980, National Communicator of the Year Award by National Council of Community College Relations
- 1979-80, Chair, Oregon Community College Presidents' Council
- 1978-79, Vice-Chair of the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges (AACJC) Panel on Association Vitality
- 1977-78, Chair of the AACJC Panel on Association Vitality
- 1977-78, President of the League for Innovation in the Community College
- 1977-78, President of the Northwest Association of Community and Junior Colleges
- 1974-77, Oregon Community College Assembly representative to the Oregon Educational Coordinating Commission
- 1975-77, President of the Oregon Trail Council, Boy Scouts of America
- 1974, Chair of the Oregon Community College Association
- 1972-79, Board of Directors, Lane County Chapter, American Red Cross
- 1971, inducted into the Helms Athletic Hall of Fame in Los Angeles representing Pomona College

...a 'Pro,' articulate and supportive...

The Board of Education, his staff, and his peers will tell you Eldon Schafer's LCC career was distinguished by few mistakes, and many wise decisions. But how did he appear to students -- especially, student journalists who watched Schafer in public and private settings?

The current *Torch* staff asked several past *Torch* editors to recall some of their strongest impressions of the man's management and decision-making style. The following excerpts reveal each editor's own perceptions, from his or her year of Schafer-watching. Each recollection clarifies the general Moose, Grizzly, and Teddy Bear metaphors. They recall Eldon Schafer as a tightrope walker; an even-handed administrator; a highly private person; a "public relations"-conscious problem solver; a savvy political animal; a man of openness and integrity.

- 1974-75 Editor Rick Bella, now a feature writer and columnist for *The Oregonian*, observed Schafer when the college first experienced possi-

ble budget cutbacks -- "the first plateau after its tremendous growth," Bella calls it.

"Retrenchment" was the catch phrase in those days, and nobody knew how to deal with it. . . . he recalls, and for the first time the two sides of the college seemed to polarize -- the strong vocational educational program and the academic programs (that were "money makers" as well as college preparatory).

"Voc ed was the most expensive service, but the one that was a sacred cow. The school never could cut, say, welding, while maintaining an AA anthropology program," says Bella.

Yet Bella thinks Schafer wanted "to be recognized as the president of a college -- not a welding school -- although he was careful not to lose sight of his roots."

Bella concludes with his own analogy: "Perhaps walking the tightropes of the times was Schafer's best accomplishment."

- Sally Oljar, 1977-78 editor and now a freelance Seattle graphic designer, remembers Schafer as "running the college with an even hand."

When the college laid off five KLCC-FM staff members as an economy move -- so that it could hire credentialed employees who could both run the station and teach broadcasting classes -- mass protests from KLCC's listening audience filled the Board of Education meeting room on several occasions. But Oljar says Schafer "struck an even balance between the board's desires and those of KLCC's staff."

While editor, she "also felt that Dr. Schafer was very supportive of the *Torch*, in the best possible way -- by leaving it alone. In a letter he wrote to me, he described the paper as a 'communication link with students.' He never attempted to impose any administrative restrictions, and I appreciated that. And he was always very accessible."

- Steve Myers, now assistant city editor of the *Medford Mail-Tribune*, served as *Torch* editor during the 1978-79 college year. He recalls his first one-on-one contact with the president.

"It was in his office for an interview on the college's

part-time instructors," a sensitive issue at the time, since the faculty union feared the less expensive part-timers could be used, eventually, to replace full-time positions.

"I was in awe of the man. I felt like a dwarf," says Myers. "He was a large, serious man whose proportions became even larger in the eyes of a novice journalist. . . . With his deep voice, he dominated the interview, leading me where he wanted to go with the subject. Thank God I had a tape recorder that worked, or I could never have taken accurate notes."

He was a private man while in office, recalls Myers. "He preferred to operate behind the scenes. He did not solicit contact with the media. He practically avoided it. It seemed he preferred being a nearly anonymous leader."

Myers recalls two examples of Schafer's desire for privacy. That year, the president fought to have his personnel evaluation kept private -- and eventually Attorney General Jim Redden ruled that college presidents were more faculty than "public officials," and could be evaluated privately.

In the second instance, when Schafer learned he had cancer and had begun chemotherapy, he told the Board of Education, but asked to keep the information secret -- as a personnel matter. But board member Les Hendrickson leaked the information to the *Register-Guard*, which published the information.

Although Schafer was, in his own words, "Shocked and hurt" that his privacy was invaded, Myers thinks Schafer's health was, in fact, a matter for public scrutiny.

- Sarah Jenkins, now the business and agriculture writer for the *Walla Walla Union-Bulletin*, remembers how President Schafer handled two separate problems in the Athletic Department during her year as editor, 1979-80.

One coach resigned after the Board of Education inquired into his zealous recruiting efforts.

"I was impressed with the president's sincerity in handling the situation. Obviously it was difficult for him. . . ." She thinks Schafer was concerned about the employee, but also about the college's reputation, and she says "I have to admire his determination in doing what he believed right. It was a responsibility that he never took lightly, in my estimation."

But perhaps the president was too concerned about "the public image" of the college. In a separate incident, recalls Jenkins, another coach was suspended for one week without pay for his involvement in a University of

Oregon credit scandal involving U of O athletes. Jenkins is critical of Schafer's decision to use Larry Romine, the college's public relations director, to investigate an alleged impropriety. Even though Romine's personal integrity was never in doubt, the college's own PR person performing an investigation appeared as a conflict of interest -- but not to Eldon Schafer.

- 1981-82 *Torch* Editor Ron Kelley, who has worked as a technical writer in San Francisco, is now attempting to write theater and film scripts, and is a freelance newsletter editor.

"Contrary to popular opinion and politics aside," he writes, "I respected Eldon Schafer. I saw him as someone who knew how to use his position of power in what I call a 'micro-empire,' without abusing it. He is an articulate, political animal who knows the community college dynamics extremely well. Within that microcosm he managed to keep the college not only above water but ahead of the pack at a time when severe economic cutbacks were the new kids on the block."

"Oh, there were certainly some frustrating moments: Trying to penetrate his bureaucratic force shield; seeking compliance on potentially harmful situations such as a toxic-fume leak near the child care center and Health Occupations Building. . . ."

"Overall, I found Schafer to be a man of integrity and dedication."

- 1982-83 Editor Jeff Keating, now a senior in the University of Missouri's School of Journalism, also remembers his first assignment as a new reporter in 1981 -- to interview Dr. Schafer about a difficult though timely topic, the president's salary and expense account.

"As I approached Dr. Schafer's office, I could not help but feel a bit apprehensive. How would this man react to such personal questions? Was I in store for an angry confrontation, or a peaceful, albeit uninformative, encounter?"

"Remarkably, neither instance occurred. Dr. Schafer was cooperative, even at the point where I simply asked, flat out, 'Exactly how much do you make every year, Dr. Schafer?' Instead of being taken back or insulted, he had at his disposal an astonishing breakdown of exactly how much money he received from the college and the state and precisely how it was used."

" . . . I respected Dr. Schafer's command -- not only of college politics, but of 'people handling.' He was a pro."



Photo by David Stein

As Chief Executive, Eldon Schafer walked the 'tightropes of the times' with skill and integrity.