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Focus shifts for Dislocated Worker Program



photo by Michael Saker

Lynn Swift helps Daniel Johnson work on his resume. Johnson recently graduated from the Dislocated Worker Program and is "available for work." The wall behind them is covered with pictures of the program's successful participants.

by Michael Omogrosso
TORCH Staff Writer

Change is in the air for the Dislocated Worker Program, says Lynn Swift, a counselor for the Training and Development Department at LCC.

The 6-year-old Dislocated Worker Program will change next fall to accommodate a policy shift concerning the kind of employment development programs the Department of Labor will fund. A new piece of federal funding legislation, the Economic Dislocation and Worker Adjustment Assistance Act, is focusing spending on programs geared toward long term retraining of the unemployed.

The Southern Willamette Private Industry Council will coordinate the federal funds as it has in the past -- contracting with LCC to facilitate the program -- but this time will operate job placement itself.

Although the Dislocated Worker Program trained some participants in new skills -- like computer literacy -- to improve their employability, its main thrust for the over 1700 laid-off Lane County workers on unemployment was to help them assess job skills they had already, learn how to apply for jobs, and get them back into the work force as soon as possible. This function met former federal guidelines but not the new ones.

So, next fall a revamped Dislocated Worker Program will focus on long-term retraining of unemployed workers.

"In some cases this may mean a 180-degree shift in careers," says Swift.

Although it is a more extensive program for each individual, says Swift, fewer people will be helped this year.

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Budget cuts may be the result of multiple factors

Commentary by
John T. Orrigo

TORCH Staff Writer

In January, a model of LCC's financial situation indicated a shortfall in the budget of \$840,000 for the 1988-89 fiscal year, and a continued shortfall for 1989-90.

LCC Pres. Jack Carter targeted \$1 million in budget cuts for next year, making more reductions than needed in order to soften the impact for the year after.

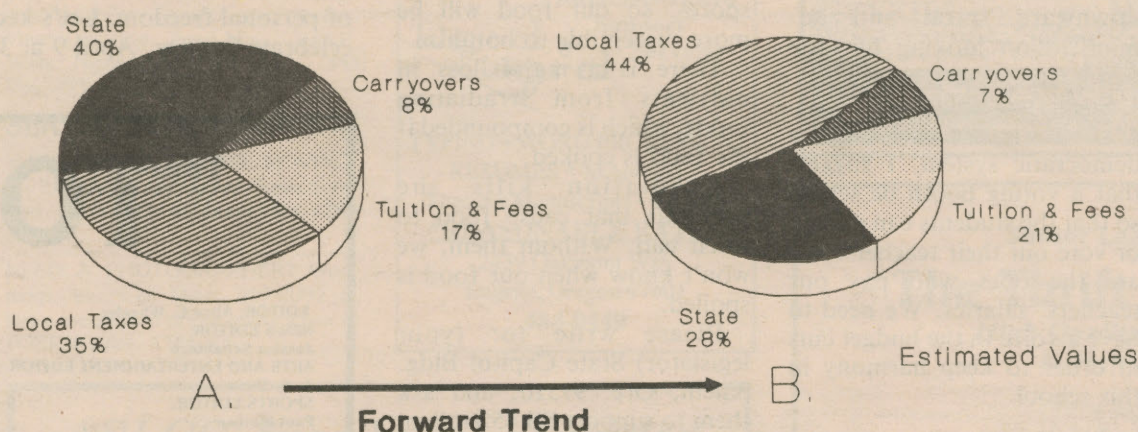
Carter's plan called for reductions in the Office of Instruction to total \$850,000. Vice President for Instruction Jacquelyn Belcher's first plans call for reduced management costs \$104,774; reduced classified employee costs of \$71,694; part time faculty cuts of \$343,988; full time faculty reductions of \$152,682; and materials and supplies at \$17,367.

In addition, the Office of Student Services may cut over \$50,000.

In Administrative Services, \$80,000.

And in the President's Office, \$25,000.

With higher enrollment, the financial future seems brighter now, and LCC might end up only cutting approximately \$500,000 total. However, if



only \$500,000 is reduced next year, substantial cuts will have to be made the year after.

"This trend has hit us the last number of years," says Richard Hillier, vice president for Administrative Services. "We still have a payroll that exceeds our revenue, so until we get our payroll size down, comparable to revenue, we are going to be continually in this situation. We have to either generate more revenue or we have to eliminate staff."

And LCC has been in an uproar concerning the proposed budget cuts for next year. Too many people are directing the blame at different sources -- toward the lack of local support and of state funding. Regretfully there is no one supporting factor to blame.

So where is the revenue shortage?

If we compare the current funding to that of a number of years ago, we can see that there is in fact an increasing trend in local support. The percentage of total revenue coming from local taxes has risen from 35 to 44 percent. At the same time, state funding has decreased from 40 to 28 percent of total funding. Income from tuition and fees has increased about 4 percent -- from 17 percent of the college's revenue to 21 percent -- even though students increased 8.5 percent last year.

So, LCC isn't suffering from a lack of local support: Rather, property owners and renters are only able to pay LCC so much of their budget.

The increase over the past several years shows that the community has definitely given its fair share.

The state allocates funds according to the total FTEs (Full Time Equivalent students) that the community college serves. LCC has shown a significant increase in the total number of part time students and a decrease in full time students.

As a kind of compensation, the state created a "funding floor" so that the college would not lose more than a percentage of income even though it may lose a drastic number of full time students. For example, if LCC lost 8 percent of its FTEs, it would only lose 5 percent of the dollars from the previous year under the current formula.

This is very helpful. The college can't blame the state for not providing more money when LCC is not serving enough FTEs.

Regardless of the number of part time students, LCC still has to provide the support to assist them -- administering financial aid, counseling, the student health clinic, and other student services.

Here is the problem: The college has income that is not substantial enough to support all of the current full time and part time employees. It is not a question of not having enough or having too many, it is rather a question of not having the revenues to allow LCC to keep as many people on board.

At the same time, LCC needs to spend less than it

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Special feature

Next week: The TORCH will be running a special insert: *Running the Race Against AIDS*. It will focus on how AIDS affects people's lives as individuals, lovers, families and members of the human race.

EDITORIALS & LETTERS



To the Board (1)

To the Board Members:

Enclosed you will find my letter which is dated to Jack Carter on March 6, 1989. Also enclosed are my petitions.

Sue Katrina Sandahl
LCC student

To Mr. Carter

Dear Mr. Carter:

I thought I should write you this letter to let you know that LCC is making a big mistake.

Next term, instructor David Leung in the Social Science department has been assigned to teach only *one class* (PSY 203) and it's on a Saturday.

The students need David for their teacher. David isn't just an ordinary teacher. David is **EXCEPTIONAL**. The students need quality education and they can get this from him. David is the kind of teacher who is always there for his students.

He encourages his students to make special appointments to come to him at his downtown business office on Willamette Street if they have questions in psychology. He also has office hours posted at Lane so students can come see him. David will also schedule special appointments for students who can't come see him during his regular office hours. He also lets his students call him on the telephone if they need his help in psychology.

The students are very upset about what is happening. Some are taking PSY 201 and want to continue taking classes from David. Others are in PSY 202 and want to continue with him. Others who have had him for PSY 201, PSY 202, and PSY 203 know he's an excellent teacher.

The students don't want to give up David. The students don't want a part-time teacher coming in and teaching classes that David could be assigned to.

As I have stated earlier in this letter, David Leung who is a psychology teacher in the

Social Science department is **EXCEPTIONAL, OUTSTANDING**, and willing to give his students a **QUALITY EDUCATION**. He cares about his students! We need him.

Sue Katrina Sandahl
LCC student

To the Board (2)

To the Board Members:

I think it ought to be brought to the Board's attention that the students are in an uproar concerning these budget cuts.

It seems to me that no matter what administration does the students will be upset.

A few years ago Lane was *rated* one of the top five schools in the nation for having quality education. At this point in time I see Lane on a downward spiral and administration looking like the bad guys.

Suggested solution: I suggest that we set up a democratic system. I suggest that a voting booth be set up so that the students can vote in or vote out their teachers. We are the ones who pay our teachers' salaries. We need to have a voice in the budget cuts in order to keep harmony in this school.

Sue Katrina Sandahl
LCC student

Food irradiation

To the Editor:

Food irradiation is not the technological answer to our food preservation problems. The safety concerns far outweigh any future benefits. Oregon and other states are proposing and passing legislation to ban irradiated foods.

The food is irradiated by exposing it to radioactive waste from nuclear power and weapons plants. When the food is irradiated, the gamma rays cause the food to undergo molecular changes. New compounds, known as Unique Radiolytic Products, are formed and many are considered to be carcinogenic.

In the National Institute of Nutrition study, irradiated wheat was fed to malnourished Indian children. The children developed blood polyploids, a condition associated with leukemia and characterized by extra sets of chromosomes. The results of this study were also repeated with rats and monkeys.

In other studies, laboratory animals fed irradiated foods developed increased rates of testicular tumors, kidney damage, abnormal blood cells, chromosomal breakage, fewer offspring, and a higher overall mortality.

Aflatoxins, a very potent carcinogen, has been found in greater quantities in irradiated foods.

Irradiation kills the natural enemies of botulinum bacteria without killing the botulism spores, so our food will be more susceptible to botulism.

There is a major loss in nutrients from irradiating foods, which is compounded if the food is cooked.

Irradiation kills the bacteria that cause food to smell bad. Without them, we won't know when our food is spoiled.

Please write to: (your legislator) State Capitol Bldg. Salem, Ore. 97310, and ask them to support SB 452 to ban irradiated foods from Oregon.

Thom Alberti
Eugene

Recycling foam

To the Editor:

Recently, the Council for Solid Waste Solutions (Dart Craft Container, AMOCO Oil, and Dow Chemical) and McDonald's have touted the feasibility and benefits of recycling Styrofoam. At first glance this may sound like a great idea, although upon closer examination many questions arise concerning the practicality of such a project.

First off, who will pay for collecting Styrofoam containers from businesses and roadsides? Who will pay to clean this material, as well as

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Show support for personal freedom, march at U of O

by Alice C. Wheeler
TORCH Editor

Celebrating choice. On April 9 people all over the nation will participate in a "March for Women's Lives" to celebrate women's rights to make their own choices.

The point is not that abortion is right or wrong. The point is that women have the right to choose what they do with their own bodies. This freedom of choice is something we should all celebrate.

Many may balk at this comment. Read further.

Do you enjoy the right to drink a beer or glass of wine at the end of a long day? Do you enjoy the right to wear a seat belt, or not wear a seat belt? Or to sit in the smoking or non-smoking section in a restaurant? These decisions are your choices made according to your preferences.

Think about motorcyclists in Oregon. They no longer have the right to make a choice based on preference. Now they are mandated to wear helmets when they ride their bikes -- required by a law that was passed by the voting public, made up mostly of people who do not ride motorcycles. They have lost their right of choice.

It seems that we are entering an era in which people are losing their rights to make their own decisions. More state and county measures appear on our ballots every election. These measures are often aimed at our personal freedom. Fortunately these measures are usually voted down.

It is not the government's job to take away our rights. The U.S. government was created to serve and protect the people of this nation. It makes laws that protect the rights of its citizens.

In 1973, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in *Roe v. Wade* that state laws outlawing abortion are unconstitutional.

Despite many politicians' efforts to overturn this decision, the majority of the population, 57-40 percent (Harris Poll, Jan. 1989), still agrees with the ruling.

So on April 9 women nationwide will gather in their hometowns and in Washington, D.C., to celebrate their individual rights to control their reproductive lives.

The celebration is not a matter of right or wrong but a matter of personal freedom. Let's keep our freedom as individuals and celebrate Sunday, April 9 at 3 p.m. at the U of O.

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store it, process it, and ship it to markets that presently do not exist?

All of this is of course dependent upon the development of viable and sound markets that have a continual demand for Styrofoam waste. Such strong market conditions may be a product of wishful thinking when one considers that the present poor market for newsprint, a long established and usually profitable recyclable material, has some Eastern U.S. governments paying up to \$25 per ton simply to *remove* the newsprint for recycling.

The point that I'd like to make here is that if Styrofoam is to be recycled here in Lane County, the taxpayers may be held responsible for footing the bill if the Styrofoam industry turns away from funding the project. It is obvious that a Styrofoam recycling project cannot be self-supporting, and will have to be funded from other sources.

Our local wood and paper products industries, who are losing markets and jobs to out-of-state manufacturers of plastic cups and bags, are contributing by means of their profits and payrolls to the fund which supports local government. Essentially, all of us may be asked to subsidize a plastics/chemical industry venture to manufacture plastic timbers, yo-yos, and the like from recycled foam. If such a demand for these items exists, why not save a whole lot of energy, labor, and trouble by making these products directly from raw materials?

If Styrofoam producers and distributors are so supportive of recycling efforts, which is a smoke screen to protect their industry, then they should be the ones responsible to pay for the ongoing collection, processing, and shipping to guaranteed markets in demand of their product.

If they don't (No, Virginia, there isn't a Santa Claus) then it can be expected that the taxpayers of Lane County, and any other governments that fall prey to such deceptive ploys, will be asked to pick up the tab.

The Board of Directors and staff of BRING Recycling urge the Lane County Board of Commissioners, Eugene and Springfield City Councilors, and others to support a Styrofoam reduction ordinance based on Portland's sensible and newly adopted plan.

Leslie Weinstein
President
BRING Recycling

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Care for All

To the Editor:

The Democratic Party of Lane County unanimously endorses SB 390, the Health Care For All Act, currently pending in the Oregon state legislature and strongly recommends its quick passage by members of the Oregon State Senate and House.

We endorse this bill because:

--all Oregonians should have access to affordable, quality health insurance.

--the cost of providing health care to the medically indigent should no longer be the exclusive responsibility of employers who now purchase 84 percent of all health insurance in this state.

--employers who currently cannot afford health insurance should have access to reasonably priced health insurance for their employees.

--Oregon's health care system should focus more attention on prevention.

--spirally health insurance premiums attributed to uncompensated care costs must be stopped.

SB 390 would guarantee universal access to health care for all Oregonians by 1993. It includes provisions for statewide health care cost-containment. It would create an insurance pool which would provide reasonably priced insurance for uninsured Oregonians and the businesses that employ them.

The need for this legislation can hardly be overstated. At present, there are over 415,000 Oregonians without any health insurance coverage. Of this group, 75 percent are employed in the workforce or

are dependents of uninsured parents. Children living in poverty account for 113,000 of those uninsured.

The facts are compelling for consideration of SB 390. We, the Democratic Party of Lane County, strongly argue for its passage in the Oregon State House and Senate.

Sam F. Adams, Chair
Lane County Democratic Party

Undoing error

To the Editor:

In the last issue of the TORCH I wrote an article concerning what was learned in the "Undoing Racism" workshop run by Eugene Clergy and Laity Concerned. In my haste and carelessness during the writing of this article I completely omitted the fact that this workshop was brought to LCC through the cooperative efforts of the Multi-Cultural Center and the ASLCC.

I would like to extend my apologies to both of these organizations for my forgetfulness. The MCC and ASLCC are to be commended for presenting members of the LCC community with an opportunity to learn about where we *all* fit into the problem of racism and how we can begin to do something about it.

Again I salute these two campus organizations and their many efforts to make LCC a great place to get an education.

Robert Parker
LCC student

Book passage this spring

Travel in the "realms of gold" and discover the fascinating Romantics, the eminent Victorians, and the innovative moderns.



Survey of English Literature

Two sessions:

11-12 MWF, Seq. 494, M&A 244
with Sharon Thomas

11:30 -1 UH, Seq. 495, Apr 212
with Susan Swan

Atheism diseased

To the Editor:

In a recent article (Letters to the Editor, TORCH, Feb. 10, 1989), someone defended atheism by using the wonders and great discoveries of science to back up their argument. I agree that atheism is a religion that desperately needs someone to defend it.

It is interesting that a "massive spinning star" exists and one teaspoon full of it would weigh hundreds of thousands of tons. And the fact that some scientific theories were backed up by the discovery of Supernova 1987A is enlightening. Scientists have "estimated" that the light from the explosion took 170,000 years to reach the earth. Maybe or maybe not.

Perhaps the same God who created the first two humans, Adam and Eve, fully grown, is capable of putting a star in the

sky in one second and even blessing it with the light to reach the earth the next second. If God created the earth with a history He certainly is capable of creating a universe with a history. It does say in Genesis that he created the stars for our light; in fact, the star may be just an illusion created by God to give history to the universe.

Are devout atheists so overwhelmed by the fact that God created such a complex universe that they would use His own handiwork to prove he never existed? Does an admirer of art buy a painting and study it in an attempt to prove the artist never lived? "Theist claims and actions of religious tyrants determined to force their unverifiable doctrines on mankind?" Or is it "Critiques of God" intent upon pushing the diseased religion of atheism upon our children.

Don Standeford
Eugene



CAMPUS CALENDAR MONDAY APRIL 3

* Tax Help Every Monday and Wednesday, Center Building, 2nd Floor.

* ASLCC Senate meeting, 4-6 pm, in the Boardroom.

* Disabled Advisory Club, 2-3 pm, Cen. 420
Open to all students.

* Slide-Lecture by Mr. John Grillo, a Boston artist and Professor of Art at the University of Massachusetts, 1 pm in Forum 308. A reception will follow the presentation in the Art Dept. Gallery at 3 pm.

TUESDAY APRIL 4

*Disabled Student Services and the Women's Center will be showing a documentary on 4 disabled women and their careers. The video titled "The impossible takes a little longer" will be screened at the following times; Tuesday 10-11am in Cen. 213

2:30-3:30 in Cen. 420

4- 5pm in Cen. 420

Wednesday 10-11am Cen. 420

2-3 pm Cen. 420

WEDNESDAY APRIL 5

*ASLCC presents "Month O' De' Blues" this week featuring : Pete Christi . in the cafeteria from 11:30am-1:30pm.

*Peace Week is coming May 1-5th. Peace Week committee meetings Wednesdays at 4pm in Cen. 480.

THURSDAY APRIL 6

*International Coffee Hour in the Multi-cultural Center, 1-3pm, Cen. 409.

KLCC does it again



Chuck Johnson, Robin L. Breath, and Pete LaNelle were among the 100 volunteers who aided KLCC in its Spring Radiothon. The station met its spring goal, netting over \$65,000 in community donations.

photo by Michael Saker

Speech members head out of state

by Jessica Schabtach
TORCH News Editor

Two LCC Forensics Team members are hitting the road this term to compete in North Dakota and California, and the team itself is basking in the glory of two terms of successful competitions and preparing to host its own.

Fall term the team received second place among community colleges in the Northwest Forensics Conference, and team members Cheryl Jacob and Jeannie Williams won a total of three trophies at Clark College's Penguin Invitational Tournament. "What is remarkable about these students' performance," says Barbara Breaden, LCC speech instructor, "is that both were brand new competitors (fall) term, never having entered speech competition before."

The team's success story continued winter term, with LCC student Veasna Chan Yun winning first place in persuasive speaking at the District Qualifier for the National Individual Events Tournament

for his speech on the trade imbalance between the U.S. and Japan. He will leave April 7 to compete in the national competition at North Dakota State University, Breaden says.

Cheryl Jacob will also be competing out of state this term, travelling to Concord, Cal. on April 2 to a forensics honor fraternity competition.

The whole team will travel to Clackamas Community College for the Tom McCall Invitational this May, as well as to the state Capitol in April for the Oregon Intercollegiate Oratorical Association competition.

But there's action on the home front this term, too--Breaden says LCC is hosting the Northwest Forensic Conference Community College Championships April 28-29. She says it's a "fairly small" tournament, with only 10 schools competing.

Breaden invites interested students to consider joining the team, and notes that experience in public speaking is not necessary.

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receives. Look at the revenue side of the budget then match the expenditures which show that salaries and fringe benefits equal 75 percent of the total budget and is increasing between 4 and 5 percent.

There has been a substantial amount of advertising to in-

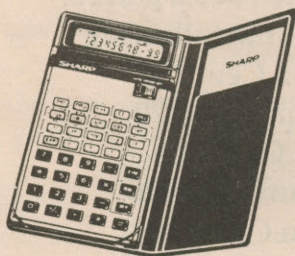
crease Lane's FTEs, everything from television to visits to local high schools by LCC Pres. Carter. Since a large part of the budget depends on FTE, perhaps the college should consider an increase in part-time tuition. This would actually make it more economical for students to attend full time.

There are no definite plans to increase tuition for next year, although it has been discussed.

At this time Carter is look-

ing at different budget reduction proposals from the Budget Review Committee, and is still waiting for final information from Budget Committee Hearings to be held on: Monday, April 10, 3:30-6 p.m. in PE 205; on Tuesday, April 11, 3:30-6 p.m. in the Board Room; Thursday, April 13, 3:30-6 p.m. in PE 205. These meetings are for Office of Instruction budget cuts. The college-wide budget committee meeting, which is open to the public, will meet Wed. April 19.

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Fast Lane Sex and Fear

by John F. Piper
TORCH Staff Writer

The nineties are nearly upon us, and along with the late eighties they promise to be an era in which Sigmund Freud would feel right at home.

Sexual repression is making a comeback in Western Civilization.

Once again, monogamy is in, as is virginity. One might say that the Sexual Revolution, such as it may have been, has come screeching to a shuddering halt.

If one wished, one might deny the reality of the situation: the Sexual Revolution has crashed, burned, and been wrecked beyond repair. In this new and frightening age, sex can kill.

The Revolution is dead, as are thousands for whom the news came too late. And those of us who have so far, through luck or prudence, managed to survive will carry scenes and tales of horror with us the rest of our lives.

Men gave it to their wives. Women gave it to their children. People were persecuted for their sexual preferences by homophobics who saw the protection of public health as a good excuse. The Reagan administration demonstrated a stunning lack of concern until it was far too late for far too many.

Another incurable disease, stupidity, always endemic in the religious fanatic community, seems to have been made even more virulent than usual by the emergence of AIDS into the mainstream.

When the religious right found that AIDS has no particular concern with its victims' sexual preferences, it was forced to re-evaluate its stance that AIDS was God's way of correcting homosexuality.

By that time, the public had started to take fewer sexual risks. Monogamy and celibacy were becoming more and more popular. The religious fringe issued the smug proclamation that this represented a return to "traditional morality."

The majority of people who have changed their sexual habits recently have done so only in order to minimize their chances of contracting AIDS. Can behavior motivated solely by the instinct for self-preservation be considered moral in any real sense of the word?

At this point, the panic seems to be ebbing and nobody's being blamed. But it's a long way from being over yet. Welcome to the Plague Years.

Students to don mouse ears

by David Larson
for the TORCH

Walt Disney World has offered jobs to 17 LCC students for this summer and fall.

The Feb. 24 day-long interviews with 64 students resulted in 54 separate interviews -- the largest number of interviews ever conducted in one day, according to one of the two visiting Walt Disney World college program representatives, Katherine Kirk. She said it was also one of the first West Coast recruiting efforts for the Florida-based theme park operation.

The Cooperative Work Experience Department began negotiating the recruiting visit with Walt Disney World last summer. In the summer and fall of 1988 Department Chair Bob Way conducted two meetings with company planners in Orlando, and one theme park spokesperson visited Lane in October to describe the company's operations philosophy, work standards, and college student recruitment procedures.

Most of those interviewed were LCC students, although some came from as far away as Mount Hood Community College and Portland State University, and as nearby as the U of O. Walt Disney World offered a total of nine summer and 12 fall positions. Six of the summer and 11 of the fall jobs were offered to LCC students.

According to Lynn Wolters, administrative assistant to the



photo by Michael Saker

Lori Gilbraith reads a Newsweek article on Disney MGM Studios, the Disney World attraction at which she will be working in Orlando, Fla.

Cooperative Work Experience Program, the job titles are attractions hostess, studio attractions hostess, lifeguard hostess, outdoor food host, culinary assistant, resort food and beverage host and hostess, fast food host, merchandise host and hostess, housekeeping hostess, and resort merchandise hostess.

Wolter says LCC's Lori Galbraith was offered "one of the premium jobs" -- studio attractions hostess.

Galbraith, a theater major, admits her goal was to work with Disney MGM Studios. She says that she "went into the interview with the intent of

getting this particular job," having read books about the company and prepared her portfolio.

The new employees must pay their own transportation costs to and from Orlando, rent rooms in the Disney World condominium, and buy their own food. However, transportation to and from their living quarters is free, and they will be paid by the hour and can earn college CWE credit for their experience.

The CWE Department anticipates another recruiting visitation next fall for anticipated positions of the spring of 1990.

Nursing and Dental programs' application deadlines approach

by Nanci Lenz
for the TORCH

Application deadlines for LCC's Nursing and Dental Hygiene programs are just around the corner. According to current admission packets, the latest possible dates to apply for the two programs are April 21 and May 12 respectively.

The current LCC course catalog lists prerequisites for application as a high school diploma or an equivalent (such as a GED), a passing score on basic reading and arithmetic tests, and completion of all application forms.

According to the catalog, applicants must also attend a Program Exploration Session designed to illustrate the different facets of the program and help prospective students decide on a particular field.

An additional requirement for dental hygiene applicants is either one year of high school chemistry or one term of college-level chemistry, successfully completed within the past five years.

After having determined which applicants meet standard requirements, both pro-

grams admit students by what the department refers to as the "Point System Selection Process."

The point system, says Nursing Program Head Marie Wiles, is based on several factors, including outside work experience in the field.

According to current pamphlets, applicants also earn points by completing college courses such as sociology, writing, anatomy/physiology, basic speech, and nutrition. All courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or above to be considered for points.

Wiles adds that the completion of a separate health occupations program, such as the Certified Nurse's Aid or Medical Assistant programs, will enable individuals to earn points.

"First of all," says Wiles, "nobody ever earns all 31 points possible" for the nursing program. The program "usually accepts around 80 students each year, and the applicants with the highest number of points are selected first until all 80 seats are filled." An applicant must earn a minimum of five points to be considered for evaluation, ac-

cording to Wiles.

The Dental Hygiene Program works the same way, reports department coordinator Sharon Hagan. According to department records, the average yearly enrollment for the dental hygiene program is 22. The admission packet for this program states that the maximum points possible is 40. The minimum is also five points.

Those who are chosen for the programs are notified within one month of the deadline date. According to application forms, nursing program applicants for the 1989-90 school year will receive notice by May 26, dental hygiene students by June 16, via the U.S. Postal Service.

If a person does not qualify for a program, Wiles has some suggestions.

"There are counselors here on campus that can suggest some courses that take care of some point requirements," she says. Jack Shadwick is the counselor assigned to the Health Occupations Department.

Wiles also suggests checking into some volunteer programs in the field.

Lighten up

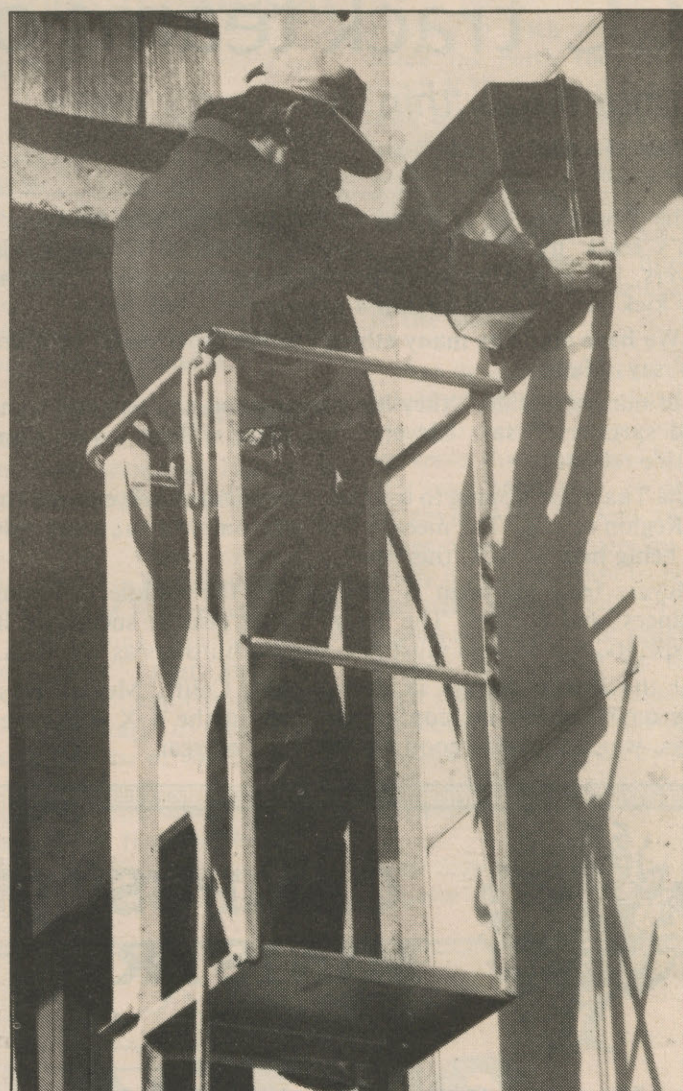


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New lights have been installed on the exterior of the Center Building due to complaints about poor nighttime lighting.

Worker, from page 1


A new program, the Career Network Workshop, will do what the Dislocated Worker Program used to do and potentially assist more people than before.

Because the Career Network Workshop, unlike the Dislocated Worker Program, relies on fees paid by participants rather than federal funds, it can be offered to the public.

In a two week workshop, participants evaluate how they feel about current or former jobs and what kind of work skills they possess. With this information, then, they deter-

mine where in the labor pool they want to be and if they need new or improved job skills to get there. Methods for approaching prospective employers are also taught. Ongoing weekly networking meetings let participants share information with others and help keep morale up until they become employed.

A free informational meeting on the Career Network Workshops will be held Monday, April 3, from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. For more information call the LCC Training and Development Department at 726-2223.




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SPORTS & RECREATION

LCC track teams open Region 4 season at home

Competition 'thin' for men's meet

by Paul Morgan
TORCH Sports Editor

The "competition is going to be thin" for this weekend's men's track meet at LCC, says Track Head Coach Kevin Meyers, but it will be much needed practice for the Titans as they kick off the 1989 Region 4 season.

"We have about as many athletes as the other teams combined," says Meyers.

But numbers aside, "they have some good vaulters and some good sprinters," says Meyers, "so there will be a few competitive relays."

The Titans are hoping to use this meet to tune their engines for the Region season. The meet, which starts at 11 a.m., is the only one being held at LCC this year.

Meyers feels his team is strongest in the middle and long distances and hurdles. The Titans might also be successful in the sprints, but Meyers must also use his hurdlers as sprinters.

At the Beaver Relays in Sacramento, Calif., Meyers says, "We qualified for the conference meet in the 4 X 400 meter relays, which is pretty good for this time of year."

Wilken confident of women's victory

by Paul Morgan
TORCH Sports Editor

There is no lack of diversity on the 1989 women's track team as they open the Region 4 season Saturday, April 1 at LCC.

Treasure Valley C.C., Linn-Benton C.C., and Umpqua C.C. will take on the Titans at 11 a.m. on the LCC track.

"We've got something in everything," says Head Coach Lindell Wilken.

Although the Titans have only 15 athletes, Wilken says, "We've got some people that can do a lot of events."

LCC has three heptathletes: Elisha Holt, Sandy Church, and Misty White, who can cover "many events" for the Titans.

Rona Richards and Amy Brune will compete in the jumps for LCC, says Wilken. "The jumps are probably our strongest point," she adds.

Tamara Anderson is returning in the sprints after setting the school record in the 200 meters last year with a time of 24.9 seconds. Brune will be backing her up, says Wilken.

The Titans will be "very good" in the long hurdles this year, said Wilken.

Short hurdles are the main problem for the Titans this year. "We've got people that can hurdle but we don't know how well yet . . . because it's not their specialty."

The middle and long distances are shakey for LCC, but one bright spot is Jennifer Huff, who won the cross country Regional meet last fall.

The throws will be covered by athletes with a mix of experience and youth.

The Titans have a new assistant coach this year. Dan West will take over the men's and women's jumping programs.

Baseball team to play Clark

by Paul Morgan
TORCH Sports Editor

The LCC baseball team will open the 1989 NWAACC league season against Clark Community College Saturday, April 1 at LCC.

The Titans are 3-3 after a team trip to California March 19-25.

Although Head Coach Bob Foster hasn't had a chance to scout Clark yet, he has his line-up set for the 1 p.m. game.

Foster is going with Sophomore Randy Pratt as his starting pitcher. Pratt is 0-1 after his only game against San Mateo C.C.

"(Pratt) wasn't very sharp," Foster said of the San Mateo game, "but the field wasn't in great condition."



photo by Michael Primrose

Front Row (left to right): Bill Zola, Eric Sinclair, Steve Riley, Shon Wood, Mark Nored, Todd Cantamessa. Middle Row (left to right): Head Coach Bob Foster, Lewis Wright, Tim Cecil, Derek Wormdahl, Judd Feldman, Jeff McKibben, Eric Gentry, Mark Cook, Steve Langlers, Coach Steve Wolf. Back Row (left to right): Coach Bill Schanblin, Fred Zent, Todd Smith, Brian Cavener, Randy Pratt, Greg Valencia, Kaveh Rouzpay, Neil Williamson.

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Announcements and events

March 31: A poetry reading featuring LCC English instructor Peter Jensen with Vickie Nelson and Harriet Wilson will be held in the Eugene Hilton Studio A at 8 p.m. The reading is sponsored by the Lane Literary Guild.

April 2: Two "global citizens," Moira Timms and Alan Stein, are sponsoring an evening for people interested in unity and world peace from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Unitarian Church, 40th and Donald. The evening, presented by international peace/networking organization Global Family, will include information on Global Family's citizen diplomacy work with the Soviet Union and a group process that explores "self-empowerment and the experience of connection." Contact Moira Timms, 344-3504, or Alan Stein, 342-8348, for more information.

April 4: An Arbor Day and Tree City USA Award Ceremony will be held at noon at the Autzen Stadium Marquee on Centennial Boulevard.

The Willamette AIDS Council is sponsoring its first annual "Pig-Out for Prevention" community dinner on Tuesday, April 4, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the First Congregational Church, 23rd and Harris in Eugene.

Dinner is \$6 (more if you can, less if you can't) and includes all-you-can-eat vegetarian lasagne, fresh vegetables, salad, bread and beverages. Local entertainers will provide a fun atmosphere

while people meet with others who are working to stop the spread of AIDS.

For reservations please call 345-7089.

April 6, 8: Author Peter Marin will present a public talk and discussion on the social consequences of homelessness in the U.S. on Thursday, April 6, in the Gerlinger Lounge on the U of O campus at 7:30 p.m. On April 8 a Community Forum on Homelessness will be held at 10 a.m. at Harris Hall, Lane County Courthouse (8th and Oak).

April 7 is the last day to order roses to be delivered on April 14 by the Soroptimist International of Eugene. Proceeds will go to the support of Women's Resource and Shelter Space (Womenspace) and Independent Environments Inc. (McNair House). One dozen boxed long stemmed roses may be ordered for \$15, which includes delivery anywhere in Eugene/Springfield. To order call Lydia Scheidt, 342-2127 (day), 688-4548 (evenings and weekends).

April 9: Planned Parenthood sponsors the local pro-choice *March for Women's Lives*

from the U of O campus to 8th and Oak at 3 p.m. The march coincides with a national march in Washington, D.C. Marchers are asked to bring friends, where white as did the suffragists, and to participate in a post-march rally.

April 14 is the deadline for applications for the U of O YWCA scholarship for women who will be sophomores, juniors, or seniors in 1989-90. Applications are available in the LCC Women's Center, ext. 2353, or at the U of O Campus YWCA, 686-4439.

The Lane County Housing Authority will begin taking Section 8 Voucher and Certificate applications from families, senior citizens, and disabled adults for 1-, 2-, and 3-bedroom families by mail only March 25 through April 9. Applications may be picked up at 177 Day Island Road, Eugene, or by calling 687-3755.

Patty Riggs was elected to Zone 3 seat of the LCC Board of Education in the March 28 elections. Riggs replaces Charlene Curry, who retired from the seat early.

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Art display and lecture by John Grillo



Nationally renowned Boston artist and University of Massachusetts art professor John Grillo currently has works on display in the LCC Art Department Gallery. He is shown here with his piece *Tango*. Grillo will also conduct a slide-lecture, open to the public and sponsored by the ASLCC, on Monday, April 3 at 1 p.m. in Room 308 of the Forum Building. His works will remain on display until April 14. The Art Department Gallery is located on the first floor of the Math & Arts Building and is open to the public.

Vampire chronicle continues

by John T. Orrigo
TORCH Staff Writer

In her new novel *Queen of the Damned* Anne Rice has truly shown us a side of the vampire that Hollywood has failed to do. The reader is not terrified, only curious.

Rice's erratic vampire world was first chronicled in *Interview with a Vampire*, a story of three vampires who live together in New Orleans, and *The Vampire Lestat*, a struggle between a vampire and his quest for the answers to his own immortality.

Queen of the Damned continues where *The Vampire Lestat* left off. But now immortal is pitted against immortal in a mutually destructive struggle within vampiredom.

The conflict takes the reader through the most mysterious cities in the world -- Paris, New Orleans, and San Francisco -- using the metaphor of a vampire's immortality to explore the themes of loss and pain.

The book has a strange intimacy that gives

the reader chills, especially the parts where one vampire "makes" another. Amid this, Lestat becomes the embodiment of the romantic artist in that he is expected to surprise and change and yet remain independent all at the same time.

One is not scared reading this book, only enchanted by the seductive personalities of the vampires. They search for answers of their existence, yet as they grow older the questions only become more complex, and the answers less attainable.

Anne Rice does a very impressive job at describing the emotions and thoughts of these complex creatures. We forgive them their excesses because they are also living (or at least undead) metaphors for the modern human condition: anguished, alienated creatures who are powerful against everything except their own violent appetites.

Queen of the Damned is published by Alfred A. Knopf and is priced at \$18.95. Paperback copies are not yet available.

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