

## Elections motivate record voter turnout

### Omogrosso, Araujo elected to 1990-91 ASLCC offices

by Tracy Brooks

Torch Staff Writer

In the largest voter turnout Lane has ever experienced, the student body of LCC voted Michael Omogrosso and his running mate, Edisione (Sione) Barreto de Araujo, into the 1990-91 offices of ASLCC President and Vice-President.

In other races, Laura Rodgers, who ran unopposed, won the treasurer's seat with a total of 698 votes. Patricia Rosewood defeated Randle Ross for the position of cultural director by a count of 466 votes to 291. Out of 11 senatorial candidates, nine senators were selected: Sabrina Panasuck collected 527 votes; Sara Samanberg, 480; Loring Hummel, 468; Kim Poffenberger, 464; Daniel Christensen, 446; Bette Dorris, 438; Sean Noble, 427; Tyra Ward, 416; and Seth Craig, 411. Dennis Bond and incumbent Noa O'Hare did not win senator positions.

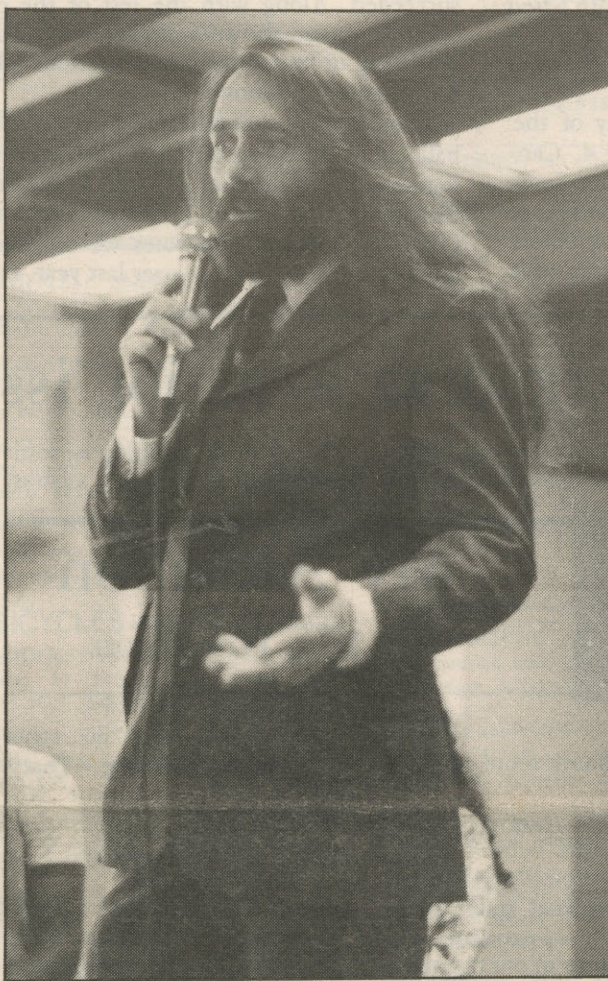
In the race between Omogrosso and Waddell, Omogrosso and his running mate, Araujo, won 590 votes, beating the Waddell/Leist ticket by nearly a 2-1 margin. Waddell and her running mate, Leist, netted only 301 votes.

"I am elated," says Omogrosso. He was, he says, "very nervous about it. I set the first goal (of the election) at getting 1000 students to vote," he explains. "We came so close."

Omogrosso praised the collective effort of Waddell, Leist, OSPIRG, and the senators at getting more students to vote. "We, together, did a super job of getting students out to voice their opinions at the polls," he says.

Omogrosso would like to thank all the candidates for making it an "equitable" race. "None of us resorted to dirty politics."

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President-elect Michael Omogrosso participates in the Friday, May 4 candidates debate in the LCC cafeteria.

### Measures approved

by Tracy Brooks

Torch Staff Writer

In what has been deemed a landslide election, LCC students voted to raise the 1990-91 student fees \$2 per term to fund an OSPIRG chapter on campus by 77 percent of those voting.

An even greater number of students, though, carried the landslide over to another ballot measure by an 80 percent vote to continue participation in and funding for the Martin Luther King Day Celebration. But the strongest student mandate -- 89 percent of those voting on the measure -- directed ASLCC to devote resources toward planning the development of a Student Services/Child Care Facility (Student Union).

Students voted 697 to 211 to place an OSPIRG chapter on campus next fall. According to Maureen Kirk, the OSPIRG staff person currently on campus, the direction OSPIRG takes is up to the students. Issues OSPIRG will address include recycling and child care.

"There needs to be some planning," says Kirk. Students have, according to Kirk, been only dreaming about the chapter. OSPIRG is "really organized," though, with the resources necessary to accomplish things. "Incredible things will happen," she says.

## A festival of color



Photo by Deborah Pickett

A splendid way to spend a warm sunny May 4, Friday afternoon was discovered by students at the Cinco de Mayo celebration, sponsored by the Multi-Cultural Center. *Mariachi Jalisco*, a mariachi band from Cornelius, Ore., was one of several attractions which entertained the crowd. Other events included traditional hispanic dancing and the breaking of a *pinata*.

## College, county reach accord over levy dispute

by Mary Kathleen Browning

Torch Entertainment Editor

The LCC Board of Education has approved an intergovernmental agreement between the college and Lane County concerning irregularities in the March 27 serial levy.

The agreement states that the college will pay its share of the March 27 election. However, if the college chooses to place a "new or similar ballot measure on a similar ballot" by July 1, 1991, the college will be reimbursed by the county for its share of the election costs or \$25,000, whichever is less. The reimbursement obligation expires July 1, 1991.

The board also discussed the long-range financial needs of the college, the timing of another ballot measure, and strategies to increase the chances of voters passing a new measure.

LCC's cost in the March 27 election was approximately \$19,000, according to Shirley Pearson, secretary to the president.

The board now has to con-

sider its options for another ballot measure: whether to ask for another serial levy, or for a new tax base.

Board member Chuck Ivey says that he hopes the board will select the November, 1990 election for the new ballot measure. "We have a better chance when there is a big (voter) turnout. There are so many issues on the November ballot: the governor's race, senate seats, legislative seats . . ."

Election dates possible for a serial levy are: August, September, and November, 1990; and March, May, and June, 1991. Because the college is allowed to put a tax base to a vote in general or special elections on even numbered years, the general election in November, 1990 is the only upcoming election which the county would reimburse for a tax base measure.

The last tax base passed by the college was in November, 1980. The college has failed in five other attempts to pass a new tax base since 1982.



## Quality of election campaign top priority

by Michael Omogrosso

Torch Editor

The one political adage, "It's not whether you win or lose, but how you play the game," is in direct opposition to another proverb of social interaction: "The end justifies the means."

In the former, success is tantamount to equitable participation; in the latter, personal agendas take precedence over achieving a balance of views.

This year's ASLCC elections on campus are much more aligned with the former philosophy than were the two previous elections. It was like there were no oppositional platforms, but rather co-candidacies differing only in nuance, not structure: both based on generating student involvement. And so it became easy for each group to respect the validity of each other's ideals and opinions.

How each camp recognized the viability of the other camp was most obvious at the May 4 Candidates' Debate. Vice presidential candidate Sione Araujo was having difficulty overcoming her fear of the debate. Hers was not a fear of speaking before people -- as cultural director for two years at a

university in Brazil she spoke before crowds often -- but the fear of having her well-planned thoughts come out confused in the translation from her native Portuguese to English. This is the same fear that stops many beginning foreign language students from initiating conversation with native speakers of that language.

Presidential and vice presidential candidates Christina Waddell and Melisa Leist saw Araujo's apprehension. They gave her hugs of support and words of encouragement.

With the heartfelt support of the "opposition" and other friends, Araujo joined in the debate and succeeded. Along with the rest of the candidates, organizers, and the audience, she succeeded in participating in humanity's most precious gift, the free exchange of opinions.

The pro-involvement stance by the candidates and ballot measure supporters has also succeeded in bringing a record number of students to the polls. For the presidential race, 891 students voted and for the OSPIRG measure, 908 votes we counted. That is more than a 1/3 increase over last year. It is a battle

won, but the war on apathy is still to be waged for the upcoming state-wide primary election this May 15.

Once more voters are asked to visit their precinct ballot boxes and vote. And, perhaps one segment of the LCC student population -- students who believe in pro-active involvement rather than reactive rhetoric -- will help decide the course of the city, the county, the nation, and, ultimately, the world.

It is not too late to call your favorite candidate or cause and find out how you can best lend your support.

Voting is, of course, the least while at the same time the most anyone can do. But if each person who intends to vote can convince just one other person to join the ranks of voters, regardless of how their vote is cast, then the system becomes more credible.

Waddell and Leist knew that and placed a higher priority on encouraging an "opponent" to participate than on winning an election. Follow their excellent example on how to "play the game," and urge everyone to hit the polls May 15 and vote.

## Death penalty flogged as a major issue in two campaigns

by Ken Houghton

Torch Staff Writer

My attention, now and in the past, is constantly held by the question of capital punishment. "An eye for an eye . . ." vs. "The state must not commit murder." You're all aware of the arguments.

The main reason for my current interest in the topic is that it's being flogged as a major issue in at least two campaigns for governor: California and Texas. The debate isn't over whether or not to execute, but which political job-seeker will fill the most subterranean real estate. Each applicant hopes it will be him or her.

A recent survey showed that 79 percent of those questioned were for the death penalty. Therefore a like percentage of our total population feels the same way, or so goes the theory of polling. In turn, this shows

why this is such a crowded platform, as far as elections go

My personal opinion is, some crimes are so heinous, vicious,



### My Attention

by Ken Houghton

anyway.

Now for some more number crunching.

In the 11 years since the Supreme Court turned determination of capital punishment over to individual states there have been approximately 244,000 killings in our country - this includes everything from first degree murder to manslaughter and all other gradations. In that same time frame there have been 117 executions. Currently, 2,200 convicted murderers are residing on death row in one state or another.

and senseless that no other punishment is fitting. That's right, I said punishment. Not *protect society, rehabilitation, or find out what sent this poor soul down this path.*

The question of deterrence is still one without an acceptable answer. Life imprisonment advocates say that in no case has the murder rate declined in states that have reopened their chambers, chairs, and now stretchers (in the case of lethal injection.) In fact, say they, in a few case it has gone up. I, and others, feel that a system

taking an average of eight years from conviction to execution loses the immediacy of the threat and consequently the deterrence factor is negated.

Ted Bundy, guilty with a capital "G," danced the appeals process around for ten years before his last waltz with Old Sparky. At the very end, to prolong his existence, he came up with the macabre proposition that if his execution was stayed, he would lead some grieving families to the remains of their lost members. This graphically illustrates the thought process that can be started when a killer's, aspiring or practicing, life is in foreseeable jeopardy.

The question of "cruel and unusual" punishment is the strongest one against capital punishment. Lethal injection seems to be the least cruel, but unusual, I don't know. What's

unusual? Things outside the norm. So if murderers are regularly executed doesn't it become usual?

Right or wrong, all this will be continuously debated for years to come. With the violent crime rate steadily rising, politicians will make their morally outraged stands on all sides of this question trying to grab the elusive *one issue* voter's nod. In states that ostensibly have the death penalty, as well as those that don't, the opportunity for this type of manipulation exists -- pro or con -- use or neglect, of the "ultimate penalty". More later.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### News bias

To the Editor:

There was "no room," according to Jackman Wilson, *Register-Guard* "Letters" editor, to print the following:

Top United States business, industry, and government leaders, foolishly following the dictates of a corrupt and obsolete war system, are the major obstacles to the peaceful resolution of global political conflict. Consumerist-oriented, anti-democratic, and big money-controlled national and local media serve as their stenographers and propagandists.

To cite just two examples from page 1B of the 4-17-90 *Register-Guard*: Jeff Wright's account of Senator George McGovern's speech at the Eugene Conference Center refers to him as "the aging liberal peacenik he's perceived

to be." Cheap shots don't belong in a responsible newspaper. Editorializing, as any student learns in Journalism 101, belongs on the editorial page, not in a news report.

The headline of the lead article on the same page, "Nuke zone foes raise \$25,000," is another example of unprofessional bias and shoddy, inaccurate writing. In fact, "nuke zone" proponents (the usual gaggle of big-business and development-at-any-cost cronies to whom the *Guard* kowtows) -- not its "foes" -- raised this large sum to mislead and propagandize the citizenry. Aided by their representatives on the City Council, they have thwarted and abused the democratic process by gutting the strong nuclear-free initiatives passed twice by nearly 60 percent of the voters.

People in Eugene deserve a

newspaper that provides complete, fair, and accurate reporting. Instead we're stuck with the *Guard* as our only daily newspaper.

Jerome Garger

### "Inherent Right"

To the Editor:

Someone once said that your right to swing your arm ends where another's nose begins. Judging by a letter in the April 13 *Torch* protesting the police breakup of two parties near the U of O, at least one student disagrees.

The writer seems to feel that certain people as Americans have the right to, in essence, deck me if they're in the mood, but I as another American, don't have the right to stop them.

I'm sorry to disappoint him, but it is illegal to "get drunk,

holler, piss in the bushes (and) vomit into a trash can" -- it's not an "inherent right," as the writer states. These activities constitute disturbing the peace, among other infractions.

Some students threw bottles at the cops when told to disperse, which is assault, and that's illegal, too.

Residents of an area have an "inherent right" to a decent night's sleep, uninterrupted by the noise of 300 loud parties and music booming through their closed windows into the wee hours. They have a right to walk outside in the morning without being confronted by the task of cleaning up someone else's trash, vomit, and broken beer bottles.

Getting wild can be a healthy outlet. What determines whether it's acceptable or "socially crass" is the decision turn to Letters, page 5



# National Rifle Association: The legend and the reality

Commentary by  
Robert Catalano

Torch Staff Writer

On the big screen, John Wayne fought for his country, never betrayed his comrades to the enemy, and shot the bad guys from the Alamo to Iwo Jima. John Wayne became a legend in his own time.

The legend of John Wayne, however, is not all it seems. He never served in the military (deemed physically "unfit" by his draft board), he unabashedly betrayed his friends to the *House Un-American Activities* witch hunt, and never shot anyone in his life. However, to his credit, he did belong to the National Rifle Association (NRA).

As in the case of John Wayne, the NRA advocacy of gun ownership rights and the unregulated possession of handguns for "home defense" is also a contradiction between legend and fact.

The NRA would have us believe the "right to bear arms" and the right to be "secure in their persons and homes..." are intertwining constitutional protections. The NRA's rhetoric is legendary;

however, its facts are in error.

Four times since 1876, the U.S. Supreme Court has disagreed with the current NRA position regarding the "right to bear arms" as a constitutional protection.

In *U.S. vs. Cruikshank* (1876), the Supreme Court stated, "The right of bearing arms is not granted by the Constitution, nor is it in any manner dependant upon that instrument for its existence."

*Pressler vs. Illinois* reaffirmed the *Cruikshank* decision and further determined that although states have the right to form militias, they are also free to regulate the circumstances under which citizens bear arms.

The 1894 case of *Miller vs. Texas* upheld the right of states to regulate arms. The Court determined that the "right to bear arms" had not been "incorporated" into the Constitution by subsequent amendments and thus did not apply to the states.

The most recent and important decision came in a 1939 challenge to the 1934 National Firearms Act. The Court affirmed the right of the U.S. Government to regulate firearms and

the "right to bear arms" was limited to service in the military.

The NRA's advocacy of the legend that gun ownership is synonymous with "protection" in the home, also needs to be tempered with fact. In the 1980s, nearly 250,000 Americans lost their lives to discharging handguns. In a King County (Seattle), Washington study, each defensive justifiable homicide was accompanied by 43 murders, suicides or accidental deaths.

In 1989 alone, in the United States, one child per day was accidentally killed by a handgun kept in the home for "security" and "protection."

The NRA answers these statistics (if they don't ignore them) with stories in their magazine, "The American Rifleman," about Americans who have protected themselves with firearms. One particular case concerned a female cabdriver in an Arizona city who shot her assailant with a handgun to prevent being raped.

The "American Rifleman" failed to mention that the cabdriver later reported to another

magazine that after wounding her assailant, he grabbed her gun, pushed the barrel against her neck and pulled the trigger. Luckily, for her, the gun was empty.

The NRA's major support comes from citizens in the South where 44 percent of gun owners in the U.S. reside. The "American Rifleman" constantly applauds these states for their relatively unrestricted firearms statutes. Again, the NRA neglects to tell the story behind the legend.

The South, for all of its gun ownership, is not a safe place to live. "Time" magazine reports this region of the U.S. boasts the highest murder and accidental death rate, and far surpasses the rest of the U.S. in deaths caused by one family member shooting another.

Legend and truth are not as interchangeable as the NRA would like the American public to believe. Americans have no "right to bear arms" in their homes. The Supreme Court has decided this. Owning a gun

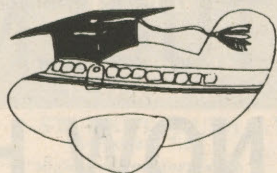
does not ensure that a family will be protected from violent death. Volumes of statistics would seem to prove this. Why then, is the controversy concerning the regulation of firearms so passionate?

Legends die hard. It was once believed that "if God meant for man to fly, he would have given man wings;" yet, today we can fly from Washington to London in three hours. It is difficult to change our belief in legends, even when logic tells us to do so. The NRA's advocacy of certain legends bears this out.

When in a decade of peace five times as many Americans die in their homes from firearms than did U.S. soldiers in the Vietnam War, it is past the time for believing in legends. The next time you hear about legislation being supported by the NRA, think twice before deciding to support it.

As long as the NRA legend of constitutional and home protection continues to live, greater numbers of innocent Americans will continue to die.

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May 16th

## ASLCC Campus Calendar

May 14th

College Republicans meet 3pm - 4pm  
in C401

ASLCC Student Senate Mtg.  
4 pm PE 205

\*\* new meeting place for this week only\*\*

\*music with the **Good Madmen**

May 15th

**OSPIRG** meets at 3pm in C446

\*music with the **Saddlesoars**

May 16th

\*music with **John Workman**

May 17th

\*Music with **Affinity**

**MCC Social Hour 1:30-4:00**

Mix and mingle with students of all cultures  
over coffee and snacks in the Multi Cultural  
Center on the fourth floor of the center building.

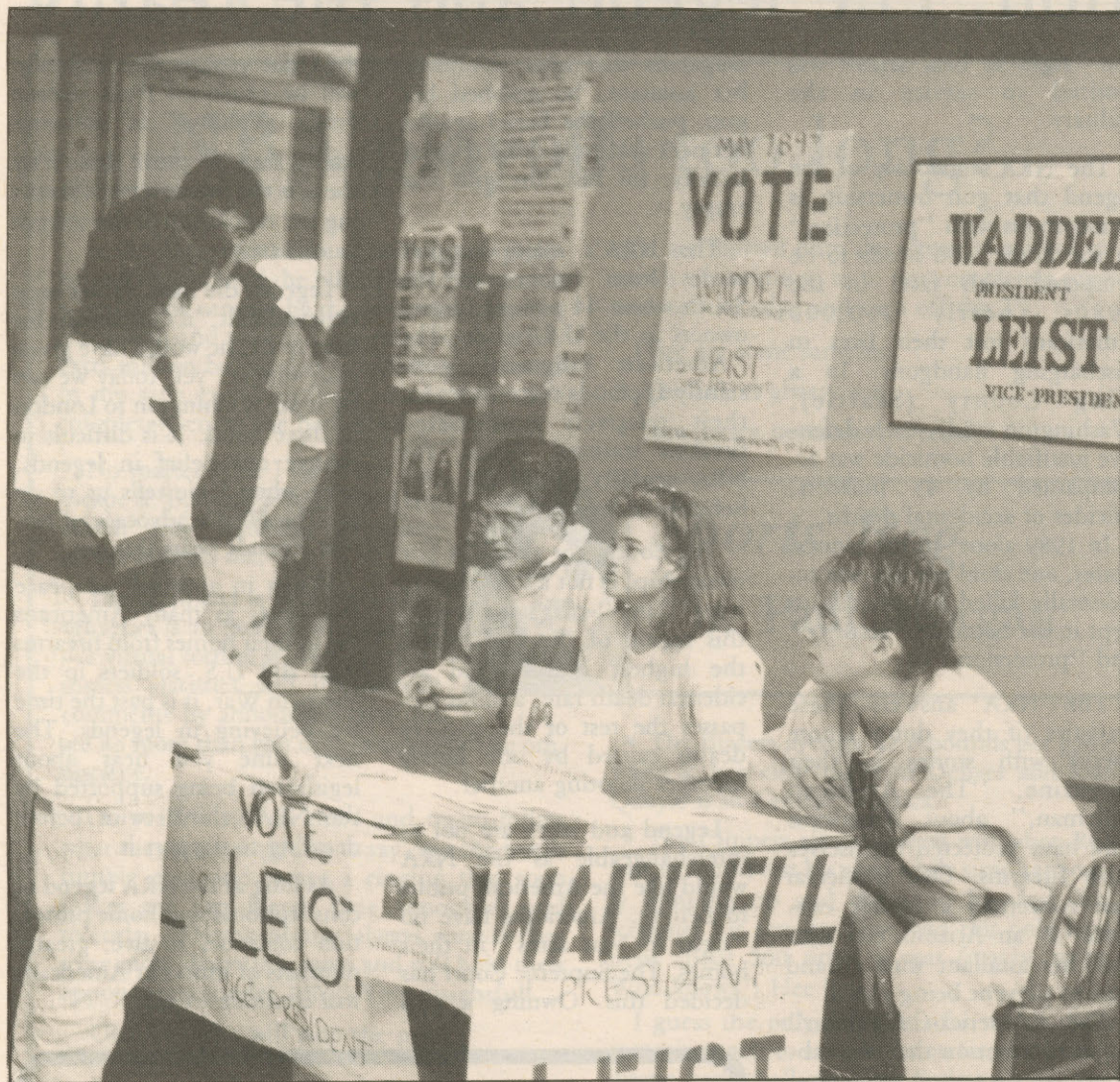
May 18th

\*Music with **More Time**

\*Music is outside the cafeteria from noon-1 approx.

For information about undoing racism workshops  
on the 15th and 17th go to the ASLCC offices,  
cen. 479 and ask someone who knows.





Presidential candidate Christina Waddell and campaigners discuss the issues with voters for the ASLCC elections, May 7th, 8th, and 9th.

Photo by Deborah Pickett

## Applicants Sought for EWEB Board Seat

Eugene Water & Electric Board (EWEB) is currently accepting applications for the board seat for Wards 1 and 8. The board seat was held by Richard Freeman, who recently passed away.

To qualify, an applicant must be:

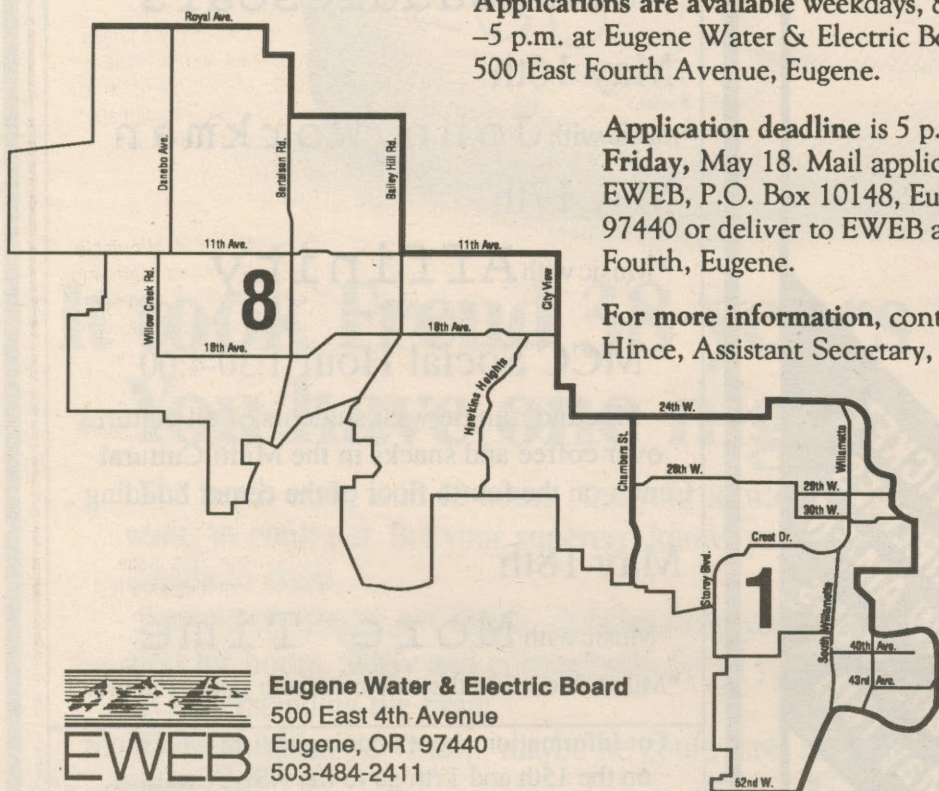
- a registered voter.
- a resident of Ward 1 or 8 (see map).
- a resident of Eugene for the past 12 months.

The term of appointment will extend through January 5, 1993.

Applications are available weekdays, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Eugene Water & Electric Board, 500 East Fourth Avenue, Eugene.

Application deadline is 5 p.m., Friday, May 18. Mail applications to EWEB, P.O. Box 10148, Eugene, OR 97440 or deliver to EWEB at 500 East Fourth, Eugene.

For more information, contact Krista Hince, Assistant Secretary, 484-2411.



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He says he would like to avoid the problems the senate has had this year with relationships in the senate. The solution, comments Omogrosso, is in, "Encouraging the student government to help each other help the students." Most interpersonal friction comes from some kind of discrepancy in the process of communication with one another. We need to identify that discrepancy . . . how we do that will be determined in the student government."

A dramatic rise in voting was experienced in the 1990-91 elections. In years previous, voter turnout has ranged in the 200-500 level. This year, approximately 908 votes were counted.

## Of Note

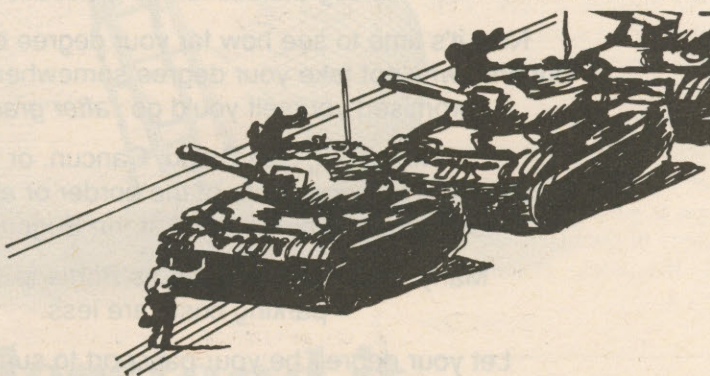
- Curbside recycling is on the upswing in Lane County. Figures released May 1 by Lane County show that the amount of recyclable material picked up by waste hauling companies in the county increased for the fourth consecutive quarter, setting a new record. During January, February, and March residents set out 827 tons of recoverable material, more than double what was recycled during the same three-month period in 1989.

- Eugene will play host to the 1990 Oregon Special Olympics Summer Games. This three day event will take place May 18, 19, and 20 at the University of Oregon. More than 1,500 athletes will compete in this 21st annual event. Events include track and field, gymnastics, volleyball, and powerlifting. A gala opening ceremony, featuring a laser light show, will be held May 18 at the Lane County Fairgrounds Convention Center. Admission is free of charge. The public is encouraged to support Oregon Special Olympics by attending the opening ceremonies and any sports venues on the U of O campus.

- A Human Service Peer Advising Open House, sponsored by the University of Oregon Human Services Department will be held Wednesday, May 16, from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., at Hendricks Hall, Peer Advising Office 1B. All persons transferring to the university are welcome to attend. Free refreshments will be provided.

- The Mount Pisgah Arboretum Wildflower Show is set for May 20 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Scheduled events include: a wildflower exhibit; a plant sale -- hundreds of choices for annuals, perennials, herbs, shrubs, and more; sales of T-shirts, posters, notecards, magazines and books; tours of the arboretum; botanical exhibits; and music by Eugene Recorder Society. For more information contact Susan Lowenkron at 747-3817.

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# Motion for stipends passes

by Tracy Brooks

Torch Staff Writer

At the May 7 ASLCC Senate meeting, a motion to grant stipends of \$50 per month to next year's cultural director and Student Resource Center director was ratified by a 5 to 3 vote, with two abstentions.

Ivan Frishberg, ASLCC treasurer, brought the motion before the senate. Frishberg expressed concern that the directors are not duly rewarded for the time required of them, as specified in the ASLCC Constitution. As with all executive cabinet positions, both positions are presently granted full tuition waivers. Until the May 7 vote, only the president received a salary as well.

## Other Business:

- The Coalition Against Animal Abuse (CAAA) asked the student government to endorse a campaign to remove veal from LCC Food Service cafeterias.

Student and CAAA spokesperson Jim Jarboe said the process used to produce the meat is the primary reason for his organization's campaign against veal on the menu.

Jarboe claims this process involves placing a calf in a small metal cage to prevent movement for the duration of the calf's life. The calf is given only water to keep its muscle tissue

tender and white.

Stated in the proposal also was a request to include a better variety of vegetarian meals. The coalition claims that besides salads, only one vegetarian meal selection is offered in the cafeteria.

ASLCC voted to endorse the coalition in its attempt to ban veal from Food Services and include more vegetarian meal selections.

- ASLCC approved funding of meal allowances of \$160 for the Forensics Team. The money will be used when the team travels to the Tom McCall Invitational Tournament at Clackamas Community College, May 12-13.

The team's traveling costs are covered through the Student Services Office, but funding for meals is usually left to the students.

- The Senate also voted to purchase 30 lawn signs at a total cost of \$300. The reusable signs would be placed along the college entrance and exit roads. The signs will say, "Vote Today."

Frishberg said the purpose is to encourage students to vote in any election, whether on campus or not.

The next ASLCC Senate meeting will take place in PE 205, May 14, at 4 p.m.

# Construction to close NE entrance

by Michael Omogrosso

Torch Editor

Students won't be boarding the buses in the usual places Wednesday, May 16 and only one entrance/exit will be accessible to vehicles as well, says Paul Chase, head of Campus Security.

The NE portion of Eldon Shafer Drive, the campus access nearest the I-5 freeway, will be closed all day Wednesday as part of the efforts to upgrade the roadway and prepare for the in-

stallation of a traffic signal some time this summer.

All traffic must use the NW entrance and motorists are asked to be extra courteous and patient.

Bus riders will be boarding and exiting buses in front of the Administration Building, by the main fountain. This change in bus stop location will facilitate the arrival and departure of buses during Wednesday's road construction. The bus schedules will remain the same.

# Belcher officially appointed at MCC

by Devan Wilson

Torch News Editor

LCC Vice President of Instruction Jacquelyn Belcher's appointment to a community college presidency in Minnesota was made official May 10.

The Minnesota State Board of Community Colleges announced that Belcher has been appointed the top post at Minneapolis CC. She will succeed Earl W. Bowman, who has held the position for nine years.

Last week Belcher said she was excited about making the transition to Minnesota, and that she was very impressed with the Minnesota community college system, calling it a "progressive" atmosphere that "encourages creativity."

Clarence Harris, president of the Minnesota state board, called Belcher "an excellent new president who will bring a lot to the Minnesota Community College System," in a press release

issued May 10.

Marianne Kimball, office manager for the Office of Instruction for LCC, says there's a general feeling of support from the people who work with Belcher in the Administration Building for her appointment.

LCC Board of Education Member Cindy Weeldreyer echoes that sentiment. "I am pleased that she has achieved what she has dreamed of; being a college president."

The 50-year-old Belcher has been at LCC since 1986. Prior to her tenure at LCC she was an instructor and administrator at Bellevue Community College in Bellevue, Wash, for 15 years.

Her last day at LCC is expected to be June 1. Commenting on her tenure at LCC, Belcher said last week, "It has been an exciting, challenging time. In the midst of all the budget reductions we have seen some very positive things happen," such as the establishment of Weekend College.

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about when and where to do it.

The legal drinking age is set at 21 in order to minimize the number of people with undeveloped social judgement who get drunk, so that this type of incident becomes a rarity. The fact that 300 students, many underaged, demonstrated the social and ethical maturity of judgement one would expect of 6-year-olds only proves that it's a valid law which should be more strictly enforced.

His attitude that the upholding of the law is "contrary to our heritage as American" when it interferes with the abusive actions of the irresponsible, is a bastardization of the concept.

The view that it's one's "inalienable right" to be inconsiderate of fellow human beings is what's contrary to our heritage as Americans. If I were a resident of that area, I'd have called the cops myself that night.

Debra Day

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## POSITION STATEMENTS

### Public Safety

I believe much of our crime has its roots in family disfunction. We must protect the rights of the abused. I support the Draft Public Safety Long Range Plan, and the City's priority in responding to domestic abuse.

### Economic Development

I support a labor driven model of growth. We must build a full service economy which provides opportunity to a full range of employment, from entry-level through advanced degree professional. We can provide excellent K-12 schools, established universities, an educated workforce and a beautiful setting for local and migrating firms.

### Air Quality

Our air is at risk in the southern Willamette Valley. We must look closely to the effects of growth on our air shed, and decrease emission levels from automobiles, slash burning, field burning and wood stoves.

### Transportation

We should walk, run and ride to more of the places we go. We have a pleasant bus system, although we haven't enough routes through in our Ward. Bicycle routes that serve our area should also be improved, particularly for north/south access.

### Street Maintenance

Our roads should be safely and adequately maintained for public use. Some of our streets in Ward 1 are in poor repair. Some are not maintained at all. We need to do more work in this area of City services.

### Infrastructure

If we wish to influence the direction of our growth and keep a hand on the quality and costs of public works, we'd best not be caught playing "catch-up" in providing infrastructure. I believe we need a proactive position in dealing with growth.

### Eugene Downtown (Ballot Measure 20-02)

I believe that we need an updated plan for the core area. Yet I am not satisfied with the proposed update. The update fails to adequately address housing and alternative transportation within the core area, and is vague about proposed public debt. Long term debt for capital improvements to the core area should be carefully scrutinized. In our current economic climate I believe Eugene Downtown will respond to a well formulated plan. I think more work must be done on the updated plan.

### Homelessness and Housing

The report of the Lane County Task Force on Homelessness and Affordable Housing is an excellent piece of work. We should translate our concern into adequate funding to give this plan an opportunity to work. We must gather the political will from all parts of our community, private and public alike, to solve the accelerating housing crisis we are experiencing.

### The Library

Eugene needs a new library. We need more books and we need more space. When compared to communities of comparable size our facility and our collection don't measure up.

### The Nuclear Free Zone Charter Amendment (Ballot Measure 20-01)

I believe the City Council has been insensitive on this issue. This issue could have, and should have been resolved in the past. Nonetheless, I feel we'd be "shooting ourselves in the foot" if we adopt this measure. This measure might expose us to legal disputes that would deplete scarce resources that could be better utilized elsewhere. Finally, I fear this measure creates a forum for the type of divisive debates that have harmed our capacity to find the unity necessary to achieve our potential as a community.

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## NBA playoffs too long?

In the past years I have criticized, complained and condemned the NBA play-off system as a capitalistic venture by the owners to lengthen the season and pocket a few extra bucks (a few extra million bucks, that is). That agony hangs in my attic every year and refuses to let me completely enjoy the basketball play-offs.

No matter what I do, I can not escape it. But now I have found the reason why watching so many games bothers me.

The plain fact is that every play-off series is an exercise in longevity -- a virtual torture session of meaningless statistics and off-the-wall comments by announcers that can see no more than you or I, but claim to be omniscient.

Oh yeah, I still sit there and try to follow what they are attempting to say, but the words tumble over and create a ringing that soon makes my ears bleed. One announcer said recently: "Detroit almost always wins if they score more than 100 points and still hold their opponents to under 100." Very insightfull.

Oh . . . who will stop the pain!

And the statistics -- okay Marv, let's have a statistical analysis of how many meaningless stats we can include in one game . . . or how about a whole series? The statistics drive me nuts. At least I can turn off the sound, but the

stats are blurted onto the screen at various intervals of torture so as to not completely push me over the edge and turn off the TV.

Here are some samples:

- The Lakers always win.
- New Jersey never wins. Period.



### Sports Rag by Paul Morgan

• The Blazers average 42 rebounds per game when it is a clear night in Denver and Dan Quayle is in Central America.

• The Clippers almost always win when Red Aurbach puts out his cigar while simultaneously jumping up and down on his desk and scratches his armpits. Too bad this only happens about 200 times a year (maybe more. Who knows?) Hee hee.

I guess the only thing left for me to do is commit myself to an institution for statistically insane basketball-overload victims. It's either that or pay thousands of dollars to actually go to every game.

Hey . . . now that's an idea. Help the statistically insane! Send your donations to. . .

## Bike week pedals fun, safety

by Robert Catalano  
Torch Sports Editor

A series of free clinics on mountain bicycle riding will be held in Eugene, May 14 to 17.

The purpose of "Mountain Bicycle Week," according to Keith Nelson, assistant coordinator of the University of Oregon Outdoor Program, is to "educate mountain bicyclists on both the fun and responsibilities of riding bikes off paved roads."

"Ninety-five percent of all new bicycles sold in California are mountain bikes," says Nelson, an avid rider. "These numbers support a bright future for off-pavement riding."

Although a large majority of mountain bikes being purchased will never be used off-pavement, Nelson sees the importance of educating riders to the rules and etiquette of riding off-pavement.

"There aren't enough areas close to Eugene to ride off-pavement now," states Nelson, "and if people don't respect private property and rules, it will be difficult to open new areas close to town."

On Monday, May 14, representatives from local area bike shops will be bringing the new line of bicycles to the U of O campus for test riding.

On May 15 and 16, there will be discussions and demonstrations of bicycle maintenance held by employees of local bike shops.

These programs will start at 7 p.m. at the U of O Outdoor Program in the Erb Memorial Union.

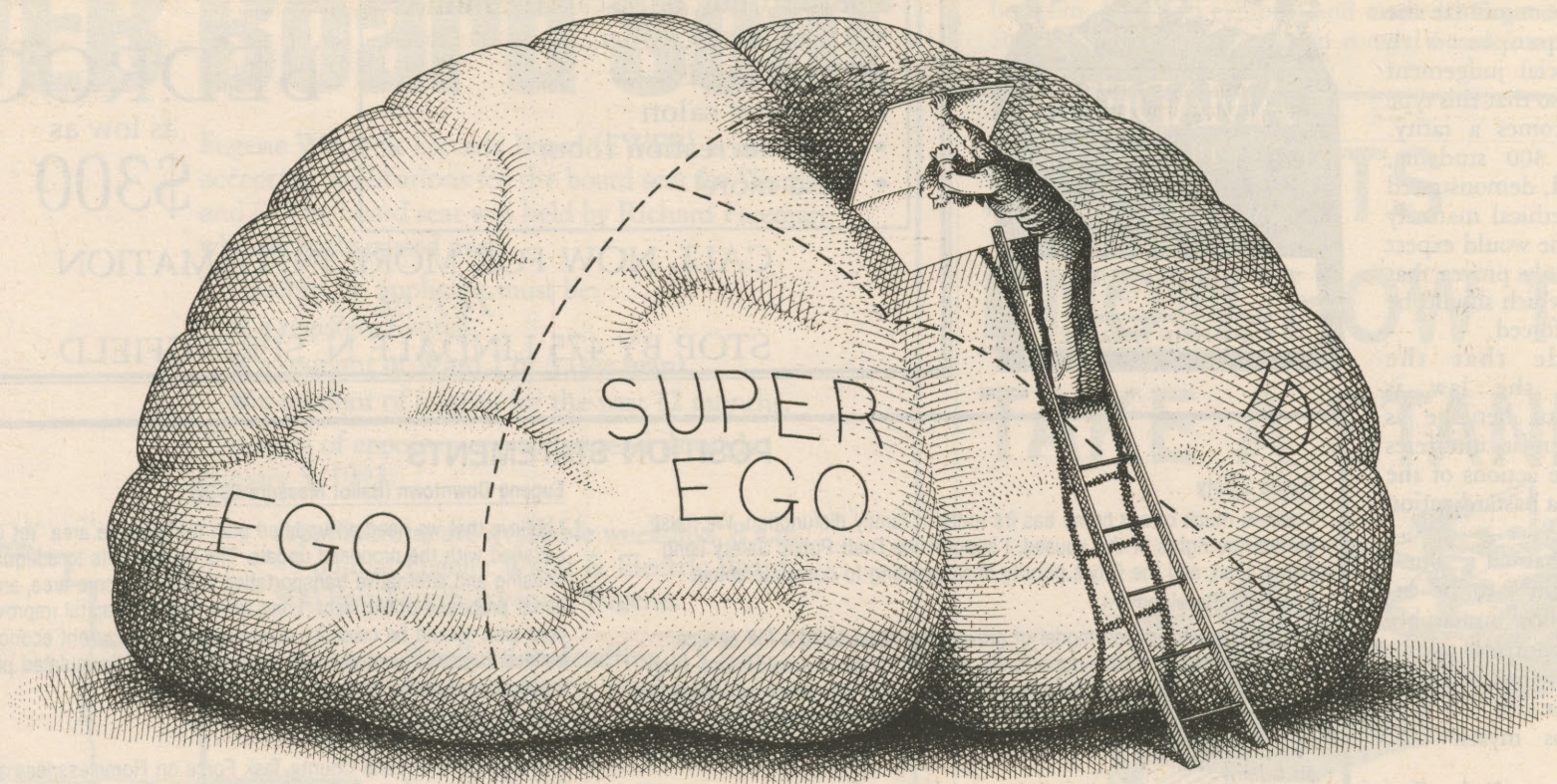
On Thursday, May 17, at 7 p.m., a mountain bike riding skills workshop will be held near the Autzen Stadium BMX track.

For further information call the Outdoor Program at 346-4365.

## Titans split in doubleheader

Derek Wormdahl drove in the winning run with a sacrifice fly as the LCC Titans beat Mt. Hood Community College 3-2 and salvaged the second game of a doubleheader Tuesday.

In the opener, the host Saints pounded three LCC pitchers for twelve hits enroute to a 12-5 victory. Mt. Hood is now 11-8 in league play and 20-10 overall; the Titans are 10-9 and 14-14.



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AL-ANON MEETINGS, Thursdays, 12 noon, HEA 246.

NEW SUBSTANCE ABUSE support group for disabled persons: Wed., 11-12 noon, M&A 253.

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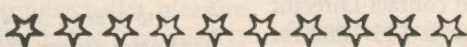
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# ART & ENTERTAINMENT

## Bravo 'Amadeus' director, cast, crew

Review by Kathie Reedy

for the Torch

As the final lines were spoken, the stage lights were lowered and the curtain fell on LCC's opening night performance of "Amadeus." The cast took its final bows before an audience which had risen, still applauding, to give the performers a standing ovation.

Under the direction of Patrick Torelle, the talented cast of "Amadeus" give brilliant performances in their individual roles. The combined efforts of these individual talents yield an outstanding production in which the actors and actresses glide through stage movements wearing awkward period costumes and wigs, giving the appearance of unhampered ease.

Yvonne Van Vactor's portrayal as Mozart's wife is expertly enacted as the actress effectively presents the contrast of the comic antics of a young girl in love with the serious and concise actions taken by a destitute widow.

Jason Bortz, in the role of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, also gives an outstanding performance. His command of the character is superb as he portrays the young and risque



photo by Erin Naillon

Actors Garland O. Sprick, Yvonne Van Vactor, and Damon Noyes pose in their period costumes for "Amadeus," continuing this weekend.

Mozart, and then, in a climatic scene, delivers a powerful performance of the elder Mozart, a broke and dying artist.

Barry Shaw's enactment of Salieri, Mozart's vengeful rival, is dynamic. Shaw's transition in his character between an old man, and a younger artist, is remarkably well done. Although many of Salieri's lines

are long and could lapse the audience into irretrievable boredom, Shaw's talent in articulation has a mesmerizing effect.

To the director, cast, and crew of "Amadeus," this writer can say but one word to commend such a delightful and memorable performance: Bravo!

## Highlights

compiled by Denise Logan

for the Torch

• The Oregon Country Fair is seeking entertainment applications for the 1990 fair, July 13, 14 and 15. Deadline for applications is May 19. For applications and more information, call 343-4298.

• KLCC has a tough decision to make. They need to know if listeners are willing to help pay the cost of continuing programming by Garrison Keillor. KLCC has to pay \$13,000 for this show. Those who would like to help by sending \$25 or more can contact Development Director Paul J. Chan at ext. 2486 or 2224.

• The Eugene Concert Choir and the Eugene Vocal Arts Ensemble will hold auditions for new members Monday, May 14 and May 21 at Grace Lutheran Church. Those interested should contact Director Diane Retallack at 343-1082 for an audition time.

• The Lane County Historical Museum and Eugene Spinners

Guild will present *From Fiber to Fabric* May 15 to June 17. This exhibit of handcrafted items includes sweaters, hats, tapestry, shawls, and other woven items and clothing. For more information, call 687-4239.

• The Community Center for the Performing Arts will present the reggae band *Boom Shaka* Thursday, May 17. Doors open at 9 p.m., showtime is at 9:30. For further information, call 687-2746.

• John Gainer's Inspirational Sounds Gospel Choir will be in concert Saturday, May 19, 7 p.m. at the Faith Center. For

ticket information, call 687-5000.

• The U of O Museum of Art presents the Graduate Exhibition Sunday, May 20 through June 17. A reception will be held May 20, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

• The Eugene Celebration is seeking ideas for new events for the 1990 festivities. The deadline is July 18. For more information call 687-5215.

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## Peace Week celebration

by Mary Kathleen Browning

Torch Entertainment Editor

ASLCC has planned workshops, awareness-raising discussions, and music for Peace Week, 1990, May 14 through 18.

Adrian (Moon) Miller, acting cultural director, says the events have been planned to impact and inform as many people as possible. "We tried to bring the information where the people are. We want the events to be easily accessible to people who are just curious."

Miller hopes to attract a great deal of interest in the "undoing racism" discussion -- "especially people who deal with these issues or whose values might have an affect on their work." She says she has especially tried to interest instructors, counselors, financial aid personnel, and staff on this concern.

LCC Peace Week Activities:

- **Monday, May 14**  
11:30 a.m.: "Good Madmen," socially conscious folk group; outside the cafeteria.  
Noon: Nuclear Free Zone movie; in the cafeteria
- **Tuesday, May 15**  
11:30 a.m.: "Saddlesoars," all female rock, country, and blues group; outside the cafeteria.  
1 p.m.: Undoing Racism, Part 1, recognizing racism and developing cultural awareness, presented by Clergy and Laity Concerned (CALC); in Forum 310 (1 - 4 p.m.)
- **Wednesday, May 16**  
11:30 a.m.: "John Workman Jazz Quartet;" outside the cafeteria.  
Noon: Food irradiation movie; in the cafeteria
- **Thursday, May 17**  
11:30 a.m.: "Affinity," performing fusion music; outside the cafeteria.  
Noon: Non-violence problem-solving workshop; outside the cafeteria.  
1 p.m.: Undoing Racism, Part 2, recognizing racism and developing cultural awareness presented by the Student Campaign for Disarmament; in Forum 310 (1 - 4 p.m.)
- **Friday May 18**  
11:30 a.m.: "More Time," performing Caribbean, Reggae, and Calypso music; outside the cafeteria.  
Noon: Non-violence problem-solving workshop; outside the cafeteria.

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