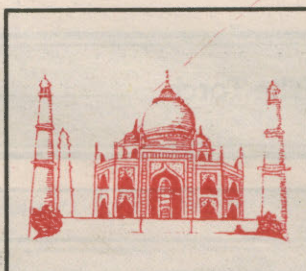


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Former ASLCC president threatens college with lawsuit regarding OSPIRG student fee

Christian Hill
Editor

Calling the Oregon Student Public Interest Research Group a "political organization," former ASLCC President Bill Hollingsworth, along with his wife Lisa, past ASLCC senator Jeff Fernandes, and several current LCC students will seek legal action against LCC unless the college reforms its student fee structure for the LCC chapter of the Oregon Student Public Interest Research Group.

Fernandes says this is the first step in a process to eliminate LCC's mandatory student fees, or revise them to be completely voluntary.

The Hollingsworths and Fernandes are clients of the Pacific Legal Foundation located in Sacramento, Cal. PLF attorneys Alan Foutz and Gregory McCracken will handle any future legal proceedings for the plaintiffs at no charge, unless the foundation loses the case.

Hollingsworth was elected president for the 1992-93 college year, but resigned in February of 1993.

The Plaintiff's Reasons

Hollingsworth told *The Torch* this week he has no problem with an OSPIRG chapter on campus, but says no student should be required to pay student fees to support a campus organization they don't agree with ideologically or politically.

"I'm trying to prevent them [current and future LCC students] from the Constitutional indignity that I suffered," explains Hollingsworth.

As an example, he says, "A feminist would be extremely displeased if they would be supporting a chapter of Operation Rescue [a national anti-abortion organization] at LCC."

Foutz says the PLF, which operates with contributions from private contributors, accepted Fernandes and the Hollingsworths as clients because their issue is one "we are very familiar with."

Foutz says PLF lawyers argued before the California Supreme Court in 1993

over a similar issue. In that case—*Smith v. Regents of University of California*—the court ruled First Amendment rights were violated by the use of the fees to support political and ideological groups and that the only practical way to protect those students' rights would be to implement a fair refund procedure.

Foutz's main argument is that, under the First Amendment, every American is entitled freedom of speech, "as well as the freedom not to speak." Foutz believes that the literature Hollingsworth sent him about OSPIRG is political in nature. Since it doesn't represent Hollingsworth's political views, Hollingsworth—and other students at LCC—should not be forced to pay a mandatory student fee to fund an OSPIRG chapter.

Foutz sent two letters to the college, dated Nov. 7 and Jan. 16. In both, he stated his clients' positions in the matter, but added that the issue could be solved "by the simple expedience of providing students ... with a box that can be checked by students who wish to contribute to OSPIRG." The LCC administration didn't respond to the initial letter, says Foutz.

The second letter said, "In the event LCC fails to recognize the students' rights of speech and association that are implicated by this financing method, those students will seek to have their rights protected in what forum is necessary."

Linda Fossen, vice president of Student Services, responding to the second letter, said that since student voters approved an on-campus OSPIRG chapter in a valid election, the chapter has every legal right to be on campus and collect student fees.

In response, PLF attorney Gregory McCracken's March 6 letter said, "If LCC is willing to voluntarily adopt such a student fee system to fund OSPIRG, please inform me of this fact at your earliest convenience. Until I hear from you, I will continue the preparation of

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ROBIN KOSTER/THE TORCH

Assorted drug paraphernalia and controlled substances.

Students speak up about drug use on campus

Craig Beauchamp
Managing Editor

"They told me I couldn't do it, but it only took me four and a half minutes to find a bag of weed for sale, and then make it back to the Torch office. Two of those minutes I spent talking to the person about the weekend."

This is the first part of a series on LCC drug use. This segment deals

with random student reactions concerning drug use of LCC students. Next week's segment will have official statistics and comments from the LCC administration.

•An anonymous high school completion student says he can find marijuana for sale within two minutes on campus. He claims that 50 percent of the high school comple-

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Volunteers combat hunger and homelessness

Christian Hill
Editor

To help combat hunger and homelessness in the local area, and at the national and international levels, LCC's Oregon Student Public Interest Research Group chapter is participating in the national "Hunger Cleanup."

"The hunger cleanup is the largest day of volunteering in the nation," says Amir Shayan, coordinator of Lane's OSPIRG Hunger Cleanup Campaign.

To raise money, interested volunteers give their time at community work sites and ob-

tain pledges from individuals, businesses and community organizations for the work. Volunteers will work at the sites from noon to 3 p.m. on April 8.

"Our goal of the project is to have five work sites, to raise \$2,000 on behalf of LCC, and have 100 volunteers," explains Shayan.

OSPIRG will return 50 percent of the pledges to agencies in the community to continue the fight against hunger and homelessness.

Thirty-five percent will go to the HSCAHH to assist with its domestic hunger and homelessness projects.

The final 15 percent goes to HSCAHH's international projects to combat poverty overseas.

The Hunger Cleanup Committee selected the Place of Peace in Eugene—an emergency overnight youth center—as its primary work site. Other sites include Jasper Mountain, a home for abused children; Sheltercare, homeless family housing; and the Red Cross.

Scheduled to open May 15, the Place of Peace will house 25 homeless teens every night. It will be located at 834 7 St., in the basement of the First Evan-

gelical Church. The shelter will accept homeless teens on a "first come, first served" basis. In cooperation with the 4-J School District, the Place of Peace will offer tutoring to help get the teens back in school.

Place of Peace will use its donations from the Hunger Cleanup to buy 25 foam mattresses, says executive director Katherine Amber. She says the volunteers will clean the church basement so that contractors can repair and install the shelter's plumbing and wiring.

The repairs and installations are necessary so the shelter can qualify for a city operating per-

mit, she explains.

"This is our way of doing something concrete to show LCC, as well as the community, that OSPIRG is here," says Shayan.

He says the biggest goal of the Hunger Cleanup is to help individuals learn the importance of volunteering, and educate themselves about hunger and homelessness.

Shayan has invited Eugene Mayor Ruth Bascom and city council members to the event.

For more information on the event or to volunteer, contact the Hunger Cleanup voice mail at 984-8774.

• Editorial

A purging of the PIRGs

Christian Hill
Editor

Within a month's time, LCC and the UO have been the target of two lawsuit threats dealing with campus chapters of the Oregon Student Public Interest Research Group.

Former Associated Students of LCC President Bill Hollingsworth, his wife Lisa, and past ASLCC senator Jeff Fernandes have enlisted the help of the Pacific Legal Foundation, threatening a lawsuit against LCC unless the college changes the mandatory \$2 fee for the LCC chapter of the Oregon Student Public Interest Research.

Fernandes and Hollingsworth would like to see the college eliminate or make the OSPIRG fee completely voluntary.

In a similar situation, University of Oregon graduate Friederich von Carp, through the Los Angeles-based Individual Rights Foundation, a law firm in Los Angeles is threatening a suit against the UO if students continue to pay the annual \$8.25 incident fee for the UO OSPIRG chapter. Von Carp contends that since he doesn't share OSPIRG's views, he shouldn't be required to give financial support to the campus organization.

This month, the UO student government finance committee rejected OSPIRG's goal statement for the 1995-1996 college year. Without it the UO OSPIRG chapter wouldn't receive funding for the 1995-1996 college year. However, OSPIRG says it will make a direct request to the UO student senate for approval of its statement.

OSPIRG is a student organiza-

tion on four Oregon community college and university campuses within the state. Its mission is to educate students on environmental and social issues.

Both LCC and UO students have supported their respective OSPIRG chapters by approving student fees through official campus elections. The UO chapter has been on campus 24 years and ask student voters to approve its incident fee every other year, the most recent being the spring of 1994.

LCC student voters originally approved an OSPIRG chapter in 1990, reaffirmed funding again in 1993, and will vote again in 1996.

If a majority of student voters don't mind paying money for the campus organization, why is legal action being sought by a few disgruntled former students?

Hollingsworth claims he's trying to "protect" students from being required to fund an organization which they ideologically are against. He also asserts that just because some students approved funding for the LCC OSPIRG chapter, doesn't mean the decision is Constitutional.

I believe students should trust that assertion as far as you can throw it.

Representative democracy is the foundation for government in this country. And although voters make bad decisions at times, at the campus, local, state and federal levels, the "will of the people" concept has survived for over 200 years.

Yet, people like Hollingsworth

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letters to the editor

OSPIRG Funding

The University of Oregon ASUO Programs Finance Committee recently voted to deny OSPIRG funding for its activities on the U of O campus.

Students at LCC are also incensed that we have to pay mandatory fees that go to leftist/socialist organizations such as OSPIRG, which "front" for groups such as Earth First.

Our rights are being violated by having to pay mandatory fees to groups that support ideologies that we do not believe in, such as OSPIRG. It is the same as if Republican students on campus pushed through a requirement that all LCC students must support, monetarily, the activities of the Republican Party in Oregon.

Imagine the furor this would cause! The loony liberals and their leftist allies would be in such a rage - chewing on their Birkenstocks and shredding their tie dye attire - they wouldn't be able to roll their joints for a week!

No LCC student should be forced to pay funds to support a group that they do not ideologically agree with. If student government and the LCC administration wish to avoid very expensive lawsuits in the future, then

they need to realize that it is time to alter the present "arrangement" here on the LCC campus.

Students should be able to vote on:

1) Whether or not they want to pay to support any group at all on the LCC campus,

2) If they do, which group(s) they wish to support,

3) Whether or not to form a legal investigative office to monitor the activities of these groups on and off campus.

Personally, I would much rather that the funds that I pay to LCC each term go to support this summer's Eugene Air Show at the airport, which is a fund raiser for the LCC Flight Tech Department.

I speak for many of the older and more conservative students on the LCC campus when I say that allowing extremist environmental groups to operate on campus reduces the chance that the community as a whole will vote in the future to approve LCC bond measures. The word is going out in the community about what is going on at LCC, is it any wonder that taxpayers are reluctant to support new taxes or bonds for higher education? Figure it out!

Jim Pierce
LCC Student

• Ad Lib

A lesson learned in East L.A.

Have you ever thought you would spend a long night with a real gang in East L.A.? No? Me either.

It would rank down there on the list with such treats as a dinner date with Saddam Hussein. Yet, that's how I spent a part of my winter term off.

My trips are never planned but I expected to spend the night with a friend in Southern California before I returned to Oregon. I never got there. The day began as one of the most beautiful in memory, with warm sun and blue skies, as I cruised through Northern Arizona past the Grande Canyon. By nightfall I felt as if I had crossed the River Styx with no return.

The storm came out of nowhere. Near L.A. on a jammed freeway in blinding sheets of rain and howling wind, with the electrical power in the city blinking out, I saw cars smashed up against the side rails, not knowing if anyone inside was alive or hurt; in a panic I pulled off the nearest exit right into what the papers later called the flood of the century.

Even with four wheel drive I struggled in the rapidly rising water down a dark street looking for higher ground. The area had an eerie forbidding atmosphere, the unreal look of a movie set. The stores had bars on the windows and what few people I saw were rough looking, and worse, they gave me long hard stares.

The red glow of neon led me to a Jack in the Box, only a few feet above the street which now resembled a churning creek. Getting out of my car I saw a woman and children bail out of a drifting station wagon



Libby Salam

into thigh-deep water. She screamed as several young men wearing identical black and red jackets quickly moved toward her, but calmed down when they began pushing her car out of the water up to the JIB parking lot.

These same young men next began to check me out, coming close but not too close. I guess I was a baffling sight, sporting western boots, jeans, a camouflage army jacket, and a beanie with

a large UO Duck insignia.

Did I mention that I was a bit nervous? I asked one who appeared to be the leader where this place was that I had come to die. Although he pretended not to speak English, he smiled in spite of himself and gave me a bemused but polite look. Somehow they all communicated to me that I was a guest.

Gunfire exploded loudly several times somewhere in the stormy distance reminding me of the other climate in the streets here.

"Shotgun," I said, displaying my street smarts. He nodded, eyes twinkling.

"Oregon?" he said shyly, looking at my license plate.

"Sort of," I told him, "I go to college there but I'm from Carolina. In case I'm stuck here and alive, is there a college?"

Finally, in exhaustion and soaked to the bone, I fell asleep sitting in my car with my head on my cockatiel's cage, too weary to care if I washed away during the night.

I awoke in the predawn to see that the water had receded as if by magic. Then I

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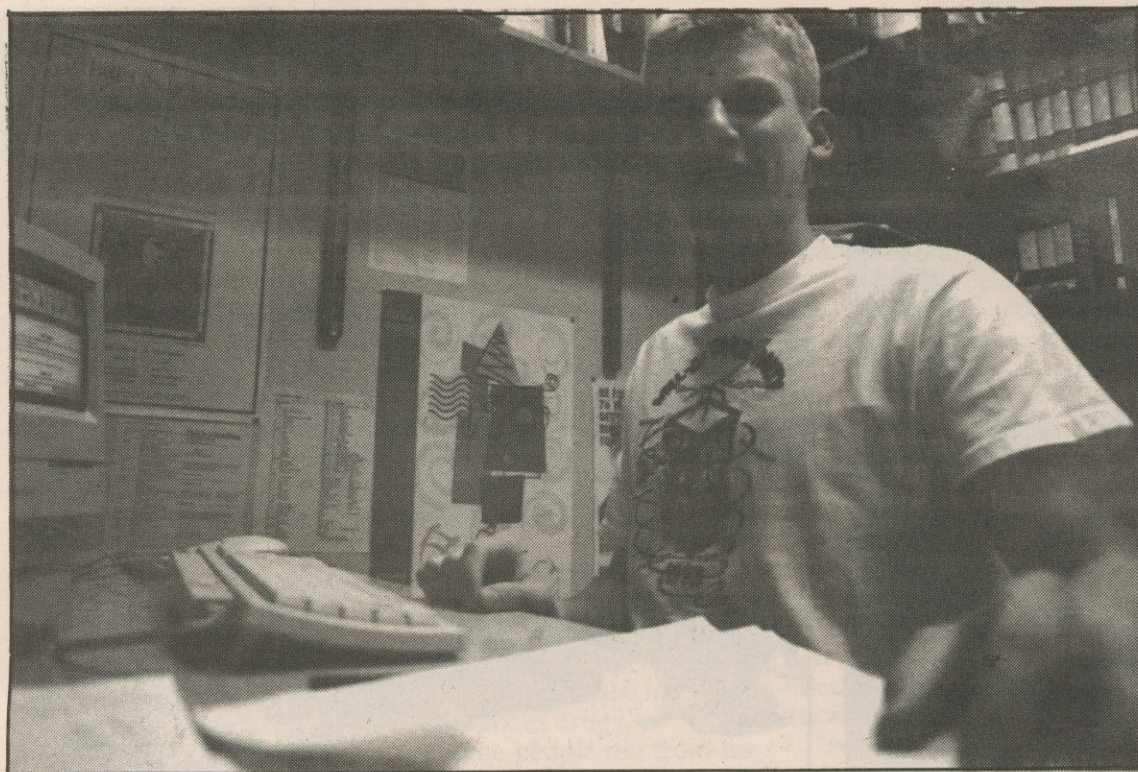
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Editor Christian Hill was selected as the LCC Student Employee of the Year.

'A day in the life of an editor'

Michael Cough
Staff Writer

It is Thursday, 10 p.m., yet the smell of hot wax used to paste up Torch news stories still comes drifting out of a news room where a dozen production personnel and reporters wait to use one of only eight overtaxed Macintosh computers.

It is a chaotic mess of people revising and rewriting their stories, and in the center of it all is a tall, awkward 20-year-old editor who tries his best to sort through the questions and complaints.

The young editor uses a baby blue felt tip pen to mark the copy and insure the paper doesn't make another mistake similar to the November advertisement of "condoms, six for \$10."

Early in March an LCC committee honored Torch editor Christian Hill with the award of Student Employee of the Year. The committee applauded his hard work and contribution to the campus.

Hill is enrolled in three LCC classes, holds down a job at Fred Meyer, and spends 50 hours a week putting out LCC's weekly student newspaper that covers situations and events of student interest.

"Despite the pressure he faces, Hill displays a warm and friendly personality and makes people feel welcome," says News and Editorial Advisor Pete Peterson.

Hill's office is not much bigger than a closet located inside the much larger production facility. Books line the shelves and the walls display posters of fantasy cars and beasts showing us his dreamy side. Bent over a keyboard, Hill tries to develop an editorial idea.

His schedule begins on Monday at 7 a.m. when he opens the Torch production facility and looks over his little

black calendar book in which he's organized his life.

From there he will visit the LCC Fitness Education Center to work out on the weights and improve his condition. At 9 a.m. when he has a hour long class in US History. From 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. he will take an early lunch and prepare for the day's organization. Hill attends an English Literature class from 11 a.m. until noon and, then from noon until 2 p.m., he will gather together his thoughts, come up with story ideas, proofread the copy coming into him, and fin-

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Annette's Recipe Corner

Once again the sun is shining and sharing its warmth with us. As I look forward to the beautiful spring days ahead I am contemplating light dinners and simple salads to fortify my troops. Here is a simple way to add spring vegetables to a meal before the sun gets too hot.

Roast Vegetables

(Use amounts needed according to people served)

- Cut unpeeled acorn squash in rings
- scrub or peel parsnips, cut carrots in quarters lengthwise
- scrub red or sweet potatoes; cut in two inch chunks
- peel onions in wedges
- slice zucchini
- slice red and green peppers

Spread vegetables in a single layer in one or two baking pans with sides. Drizzle with vegetable oil and sprinkle with salt, pepper and dried thyme to taste. Bake at 450, turning every 10 minutes for 30 minutes, or until lightly browned and tender.

This is always a good dish to serve with your vegies:

Chicken Noodle Parmesan

- 1 can cream of chicken and broccoli soup
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1/3 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 1/8 tsp pepper
- 3 cups cooked medium egg noodles (about 3 cups dry)
- 2 cups cubed cooked chicken (available canned)

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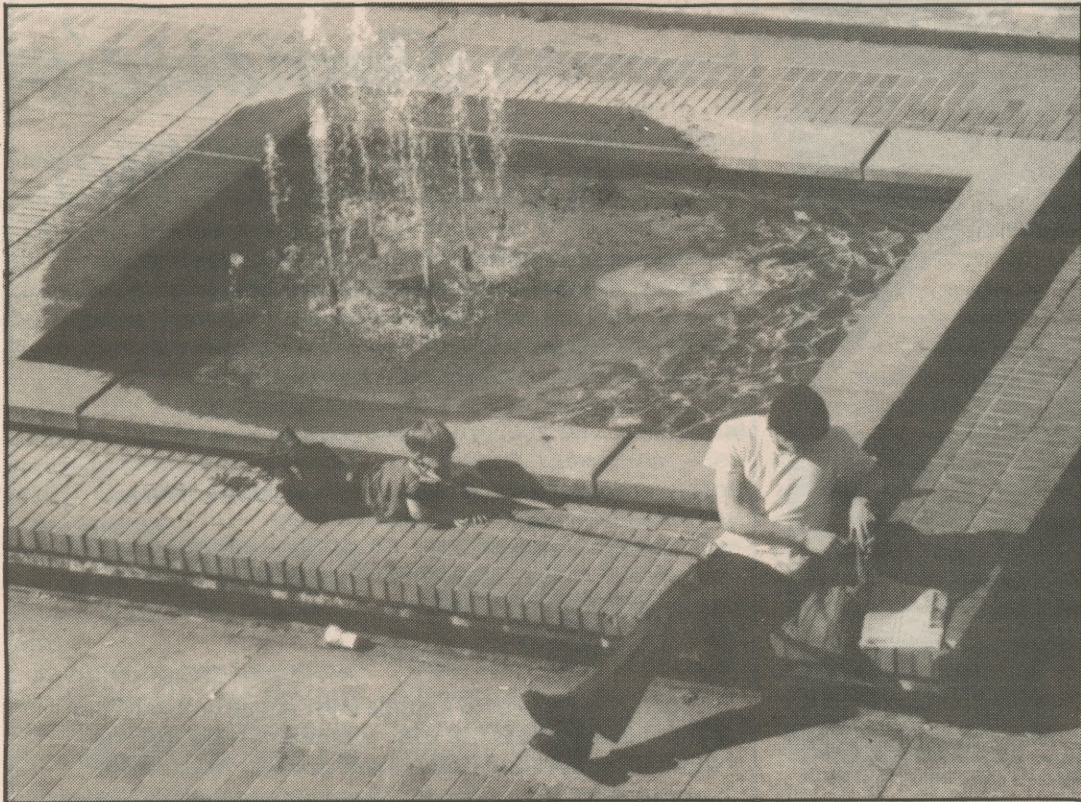


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Spring Break on Campus?!
LCC students enjoyed the warm temperatures that Mother Nature graced the main campus with the first week of spring term. Of course, it rained all of spring break, so she definitely owed us all some nice weather.



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ish preparing for the meetings.

At 2 p.m. Hill presides over a hour-long editorial board session to discuss story and editorial ideas. Then he conducts a hour-long general staff meeting to make assignments and take in feedback. After that he covers a two-hour long ASLCC meeting until 6 p.m.

Finally, Hill prepares the week's editorial agreed upon at the 2 p.m. ed. board meeting and heads for home, closing the office at 7:30 p.m.

He describes his mother, Jill, as a fanatic for having things in an orderly arrangement. He also tries to keep everything neat as a pin whether at home

or in the office.

Hill takes time to relax at home by kicking back and watching some television or taking some time to read.

On Tuesday and Wednesday Hill reads and revises Torch copy so that by Thursday the production crew can format them, proof them, and paste them on large sheets for printing at the Springfield News. Hill remains until deadline — usually at midnight.

On Friday the paper hits the stands and after looking over the final copy Hill takes a little time to relax.

His schooling and position as editor keep Hill on the LCC campus an excess of 50 hours a week, but his work doesn't end there. Hill will spend 20 hours working the weekend at Fred Meyer. Here the work is fast-paced and demanding, but compared to the schedule the newspaper sets before him Hill finds the work less stressful.

He admits he has little time for a social life. He looks to the friends he has made both within and outside the Torch when he gets a chance to do anything.

Opinions of Hill vary, but it is clear with a noticeably increased readership that he has had some success.

LCC President Jerry Moskus,

who has seen many other college newspapers in his career in education, notices a better quality and standard to the Torch than that of the other papers.

"The Torch has maintained a high level of quality throughout the years, and this year is no exception," says Moskus.

Hill's commitment to the paper has been felt by many of his co-workers.

Torch columnist Libby Salem says, "I remember having dreams about Christian dressed in a Nazi outfit coming to my house to insure my story would be in on deadline."

Hill hopes his greatest success is making the office of the Torch a livable environment and not a cold office visited only on deadline day.

He even tolerates a regular circle of reporters around a light table who play cards in their off hours.

Although some personality differences have caused the loss of some writers, his co-workers see Hill as a reliable manager.

Hill plans to finish his schooling at LCC next year and transfer to the University of Oregon majoring in journalism.

For now, the smell of wax continues to fill the office late into the Thursday nights.

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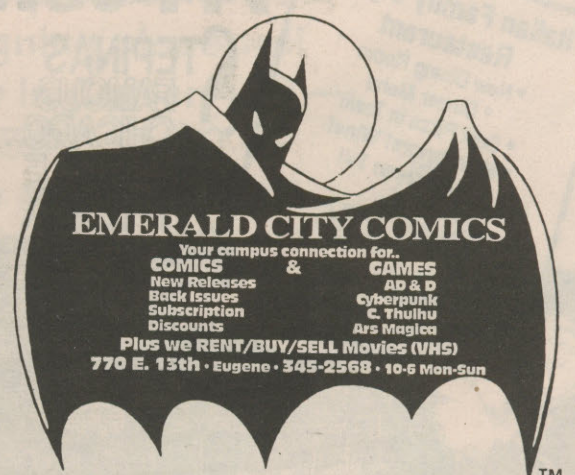
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CONCLUSION

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things sort of work out for you.

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hears about your problems with the military. Robert Shapiro, Johnny Cochran, and F. Lee Bailey are on the case — they'll sue the U.S. government. They want the broadcast rights, of course, but the ASLCC foots the bill for your legal work. Cool.

The super sleuths in Campus Security nail Mr. Classline Jr. They charge him for impersonating a campus celebrity, illegal use of a credit card, and bad hygiene (he didn't wash his hands after using the toilet — they've got it on video tape.) And when arrested, he was wearing a basketball team jersey.

Super Student Advocate
Jason Rackley intercedes for you, helping your re-register for classes, getting Financial Services to clear your bad credit record and stop sending you harrasing letters.

Finally
you spot that Library /Art Class/Volleyball-playing couple again. They're running for ASLCC president and vice president. They know a lot about politics, they explain: "We're friends of Bob Packwood."

After a wild first week
you weave your way to the bus stop. You pass through the smoky haze of the fourth floor Center Building; past a group engaged in an intense game of hacky-sack; past the woman still screaming for birth control pills, and see the psychology major who completed his spiritual excursion into the unknown.

As you see the bus come
you realize your first week is finished. You smile ...
Tomorrow is Saturday, April 1. What could possibly happen?



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Campus Madness

The Army recruiter finds you again. He says your application for active duty has been approved. The Financial Aid office says it can't issue you your check this month — since you're not registered in any classes. You wonder why Mr. Classline screwed up. Your VISA arrives. You owe \$7,000. Go to the next page.

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Fitness Center

On Thursday, during your F.C. orientation class, you see that library couple again — using Machine #4, the one donated by the Spanish Inquisition Museum. Radio the Chief of Security and flip the coin again.

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Sand Volleyball

On a sunny day you check out the ASLCC Sand Volleyball Courts between the PE and Performing Arts Buildings. Only two people appear to be using the facility — the couple from the Library and the Drawing class. And they're playing in the nude. You radio a report of indecency to the Security Office, which radios back: "Yes, run along, we've had them under observation all afternoon."

2

No-Class Line

You register on the last hour of the last week of registration. Available classes are Parasites and You; Love Literature from the Puritan Era (a one-hour course); Fruit and Vegetable Carving; Psych. 666 (Sex, Guilt, and Shame), Do-it-Yourself Surgery, One-Handed Band Saw Operation

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SLICK COMMUTE

Monday morning you catch an icy patch and surf down 30th Avenue. You close your eyes as you feel yourself losing control at the exit near those all-natural sewage lagoons. You see your life pass in front of your eyes as you tilt towards the mirky stew. Lucky for you the bus has flotation devices under the seats.

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You can't remember the room numbers for your classes, so you try one of the Kiosks you've heard about. You follow the instructions on the screen, punching in your SSN and PIN ... and a \$20 bill comes out the front.

5

ESPRESSO CART

A Food Service employee mistakenly uses de-caffinated beans today. You and 500 students fall asleep in the library. Bad start.

6

Photo O.D.

You wait in line for 45 minutes, but it's worth it. Your I.D. photo never looked so good. Your teeth are straighter, your skin clearer, and your hair is having remarkably good day. Flip the coin again, quick! Go strut your stuff.

7

Pulp Fiction

A glad-handed editor wearing a red cape and pajama top recruits you as a Torch reporter. "It's easy, requires no training, and gets you into places usually off-limits to ordinary mortals." You accept an assignment to report on "Campus Life."

8

Study Area

In the Library Mezzanine a raincoat on a couch across from you begins to move and groan. You think it's one of those campus cats and remove the coat. A couple emerges, giving you a dirty look. "You're invading our privacy," You call the Torch, but the editor says, "It's only newsworthy if it was a couple from administration."

9

Nicotine Gulch

You utter disparaging remarks and hold your breath while passing through the throng of smokers at the top of the Center Building's fourth floor steps. A tobacco-chewer seems to miss his mark, staining your brand new sneakers.

10

Wood Shop

You attend one of your first classes — One-Handed Band Saw Operation. The instructor has four fingers missing on one hand, and no hand on the other hand. You drop the class.

11

ASLCC

On Tuesday, you notice there's a vacancy on the ASLCC, so you collect 100 signatures on a petition, and take a seat as a student senator. ASLCC President Jason Rackley tells you "Your job is being a student advocate."

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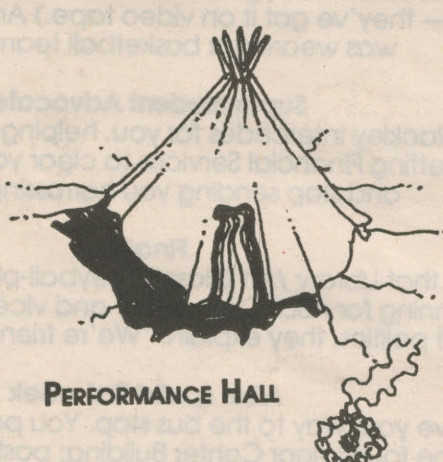
Financial Aid

You wait 15 minutes in line for your Financial Aid check. The guy in front of you is screaming at the clerk, so when your turn comes, the clerk is still a little chilly. It's funny how that works. You tell her you're an ASLCC senator and a Torch reporter, but she's still not impressed.

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Campus

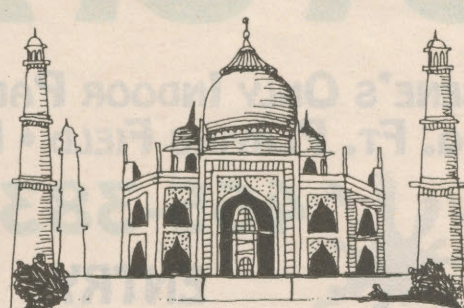
You meet one of the teachers you've heard about with a scruffy beard. He claims he's a priest. He tries to pickpocket you. You try to keep him open, says he's probably a student advocate.



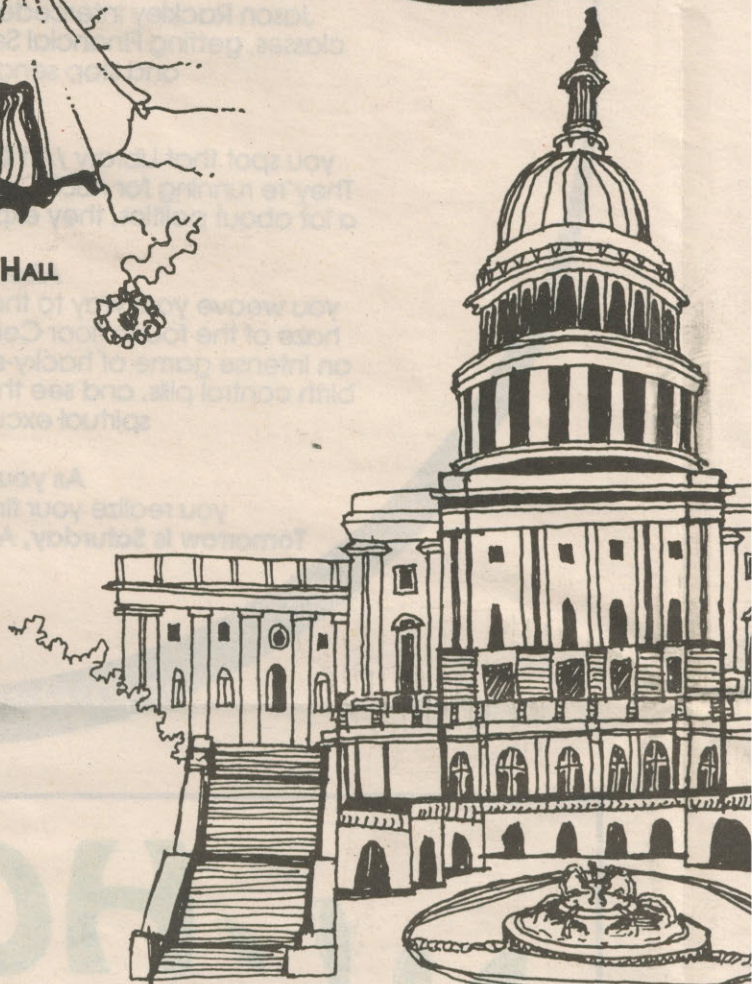
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27

LCC Theatre

Your favorite aunt — who is helping pay your tuition — arrives in town. You take her to see an LCC student-written, student-directed, student-produced show in the Blue Door Theatre. Your aunt is outraged, says it's R-rated, threatens to sue the college and drags you out by the ear.

26

Philosophy 101

After one philosophy class, your best friend decides neither the transfer degree nor vocational programs have any relevance to reality. He sells all possessions, and decides to beg for a living at the U of O. You ask the editor if this is an unusual event. He says, "Not for a Duck."

25

Petitioner

On your way to class a student asks you to sign petitions to save the Ozone, the Whales, the Salmon, the Ancient Forests, the Spotted Owl, the Marbled Murrelet and Nude Volleyball Courts. You agree, if the petitioner will help you save KLCC and Campus Ministry. Advance one space.

24

Drawing Class

You recognize the models in your Wild Life Illustration class — those people from the library. They looked better wearing the raincoat. You drop this class, too.

23

Deli Delight

At the student-run Deli you ask for a Pocket Sandwich, and it comes wrapped in a basketball jersey.

22

Exploitation

Your night class instructor asks you out for coffee — "To get to know you better." But you're too clever for such a pass and tell the editor and Campus Security. But they say when the instructor invites the whole class out — all at once — it's probably not harassment. Unless, of course, that instructor is Bob Packwood.

21

Brown Bag

On Wednesday, you attend a noon hour discussion about sexual harassment on college campuses. You're shocked to learn that instructors sometimes try to date their students and exploit them. As a reporter, student advocate and undercover cop, you're now alert for such behavior. Move one step.

20

Army Green

A smiling Army recruiter grabs your arm and talks your ear off for 30 minutes and convinces you to sign a helpless little document to get a free gift. You look pretty wild in the camouflage socks.

19

Mistaken I.D.

A total stranger stops you in the hallway, calls you by your correct name and gives you your glasses, explaining that you picked up the wrong Photo I.D. card. You're a little embarrassed. You trade Photo I.D.s. Your own looks all too like you, complete with the Bad Hair Day. Go see a counselor for some hand-holding.

18

No-fault Pills

At the Student Health Service you overhear a woman at the check-in counter demanding a refill of her birth control prescription. But she doesn't have an appointment. "OK, damnit," she screams, "if I get pregnant this weekend it'll be your fault."

17

Pit Stop

As an undercover agent, you notice a peculiar campus social behavior: only one student in five washes his/her hands after using the toilet. The Torch editor says it's not a story, Jason Rackley says it's not a student advocacy issue and the security office says it's not a crime. But you decide to get a Hepatitis vaccination at the Student Health Service.

16

KLCC

On a break from classes you tune in to KLCC-FM 89.7. You wonder why it's the only radio station in the entire county with liberal talk shows, folk and ethnic music, and minority programming. You wonder if you should report it to Newt Gingrich or Campus Security. You don't. Advance one space.

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Job Placement

Congratulations. Because you're so unobtrusive, unpretentious, and inconspicuous, you land a part-time campus job with LCC Security's undercover surveillance team.

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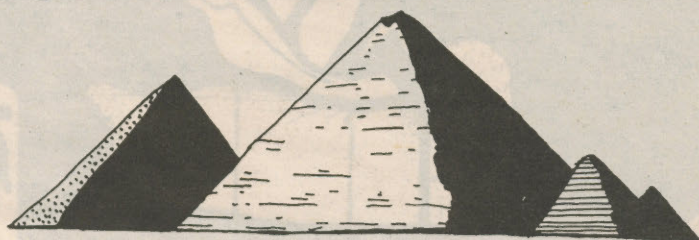
Registering Help

It's fate, good karma — or one of those blessings. A savvy looking guy in a leather coat introduces himself as Mr. Classline! He says if you give him your VISA card number he'll add you to those classes you really wanted but were closed. What a deal. LCC's hi-tech is something else.

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Campus Ministry

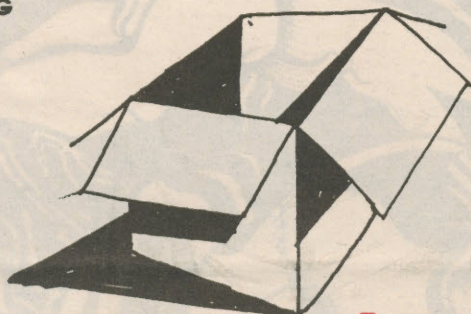
You meet one of those characters you've heard about — a guy with a scruffy beard and a tooth pick between his teeth who claims he's a Roman Catholic priest. He tries to sell you a raffle ticket to keep Campus Ministry open, says such a purchase will bring you many blessings. It's probably a scam, but you buy five tickets anyway.



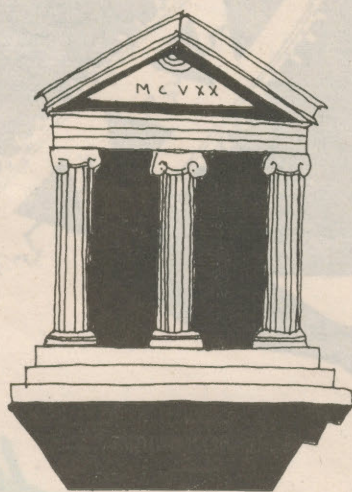
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1. Any number of players can participate — friends, romantic partners, spouses, relatives, pets, etc.
2. Each player must find or create a small token. All tokens begin on Space 1 (LCC's west entrance).
3. Each player takes his/her turn flipping a coin, then moving his/her token to the numbered spaces: heads — move one space; tails — move two spaces.
4. Players move their tokens around the board counter-clockwise from Monday through Thursday, reading and following the instructions on the designated spaces.
5. Whoever reaches the last space first wins the game and receives a well-deserved reward on the back page (flip the gameboard over).

Fine Print:

Stressed-out Torch staff members and friends — working without the benefit of adult supervision — created this game hoping to turn a profit (like those two guys who invented Scrabble) and escape this Journalistic Hell. All references to people living, dead, or in the netherworld are completely intentional and absolutely justified. Do not expose this gameboard to direct sunlight, or to people with IQs over 90.

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tion students are on illegal drugs while at school. They smoke pot, eat hallucinogens and some do methamphetamine (crank, speed or crystal meth).

He says that he has smoked pot and gone to class a few times, but doesn't feel pot can be abused. (He says abuse begins to take place when the consumer is having monetary problems due to their habit, or when the drugs come between relationships, jobs, school or anything else that was considered important before use began.)

He says that some students often abuse acid. He also says psilocyben (mushrooms) can be used to expand the mind, if used properly and occasionally.

• An LCC credit student — who says she could probably find weed or speed on campus in under half an hour — estimates that 30 percent of LCC students are high on campus, while 60 percent of the population uses them on occasion. She says the percentage at the UO would be higher because of the younger average age.

She has used alcohol, pot, "shrooms," and LSD, but says she doesn't abuse them. She says recreational use on occasion is all right, but using drugs constantly to keep one's self at a certain level is abuse.

• Another LCC credit stu-

dent, who is 45, estimates that 60 percent of the students use illegal drugs, and 20 to 25 percent of that portion of the student body use drugs on campus. He says that he used pot and LSD 20 years ago, but he quit because he "had better things to do with my life."

When asked what he thought of illegal drug users getting high at school, he said that they need to make up their mind. They shouldn't be going to school high because it's a waste of time and money.

• One LCC credit student says she has never tried controlled substances. She said she has seen the side effects of drugs on the news and she has taken a class about drugs.

"Some people die from using a drug once. It's not worth taking the chance," she says.

She says that people who do decide to use illegal drugs should have the freedom to do it in their own home, as long as they don't harm anybody else, but they shouldn't push others into using drugs because everybody needs the opportunity to make that decision for themselves.

She estimates that 30 percent of the students use illegal drugs on campus, while 60 percent use illegal drugs on a regular basis. If occasional users are taken into account, she says that percentage increases to 80 percent.

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our civil rights compliant, which will be filed soon, seeking a statement from the court that the existing ASLCC Student Activity Fee scheme violates the First Amendment and an order from the courts that LCC adopt the student fee system I discussed above, plus costs of suit and attorneys' fees."

OSPIRG's Response

OSPIRG campus organizer Ellen Huffaker disagrees completely with Hollingsworth's definition of OSPIRG as a "political organization."

"If you call voter registration and recycling efforts 'political,' then I guess we're political," explains Huffaker.

"Not a penny of student fees go toward lobbying," assures Huffaker.

OSPIRG state board member David Jost calls the legal threat a "bullying tactic" of the PLF so the college administration will be forced to reorganize student funding for OSPIRG.

Huffaker says student PIRGs are the easiest and most accessible targets because of their effectiveness on college campuses around the nation. She

says 68 percent of the firm's revenue comes from corporations, including Exxon Gulf Oil and Alcoa.

She says OSPIRG, as well as other campus organizations, offers an education that can't be offered in the classroom; that

"I'm trying to prevent them . . . from the Constitutional indignity that I suffered."

—BILL HOLLINGSWORTH

the chapter contributes to the "marketplace of ideas" on the campus by focusing on current social issues, including hunger and homelessness and recycling.

In the spring of 1990, student voters approved OSPIRG's request for a \$2 student fee increase per term to finance a chapter on the LCC main campus. Under a verbal agreement between OSPIRG and the college administration, the chap-

ter agreed to seek voter reaffirmation every three years. Huffaker says voters reaffirmed the chapter by 78 percent in 1993, and OSPIRG will again seek reaffirmation in the spring of 1996.

She says the \$2 fee garners OSPIRG around \$54,000 annually. The money is used to hire organizers and researchers, and purchase material for its campaigns.

Huffaker says the administration is completely behind the student right to choose to fund an on-campus chapter of OSPIRG.

OSPIRG has scheduled a meeting with Fossen next week to discuss the developments.

In response to Hollingsworth's concerns about OSPIRG student funding, Huffaker says, "This is a democracy. We all live under a social contract."

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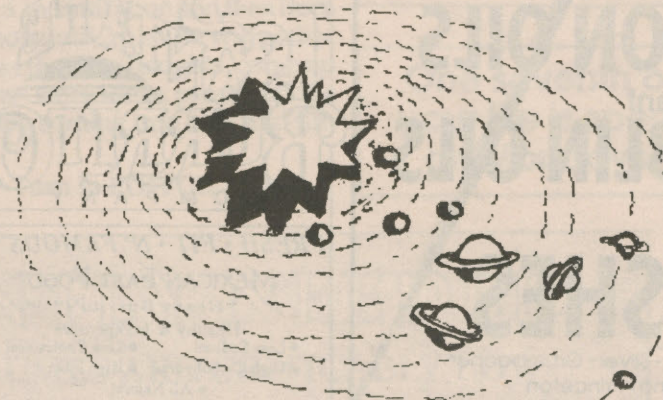
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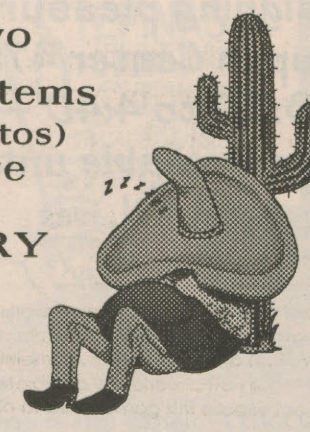
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Baseball opener drowned Titan track and field members qualify for NWAACC Championship

Thomas Lee
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The LCC Titan baseball team set out for Sunny California, expecting to get ready for its first season as a varsity sport since 1991.

Upon arriving in Sacramento, the Titans found the entire field missing (including the pitcher's mound). It was literally washed away in the March storms.

The team tried to play its next game at San Pabalo, only to have it canceled because of rain.

In all, four games were rained out on the trip, but the fifth game against Lassen Community College in Susanville, Cal,

was cancelled—because of two feet of snow.

Back on dry land, Lane lost its opener, 5-3 at Newberg, Ore. against the George Fox College junior varsity team on March 29.

The next games for Titan baseball are April 1 at Southwest Oregon Community College in Coos Bay, April 4 at Chemeketa Community College and April 6 at home against Linfield College junior varsity.

Titan baseball regained varsity status after students approved a \$5 per term athletic student fee in May of 1994. Head Coach Bob Foster has run the team since 1979. For further information contact the Athletics Office at 726-2215.

Thomas Lee
Sports Editor

Several members of the men's and women's track and field teams did so well in March competition that they have qualified for the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges Championship in May.

The track and field teams opened their seasons on March 4 at the Art Sullivan Invitational in Ashland. The Titans also had two other meets, the University of Oregon Preview in Eugene on March 18, and the San Francisco State Decathlon/Heptathlon in San Francisco.

Three school records fell in the woman's competition at the University of Oregon Preview. Nicole Barrote broke the 100-meter hurdles record (14.44) and the 400 hurdles record (1:01.14). She was also part of the team that broke the 4X100-

meter relay record (47.54). Trisha Hough, Taryn Tarver and Jackie Hunter were the other team members.

Jon Land leads the NWAACC in the 800-meter dash and freshman Tom Pappas leads the league in the Decathlon. Pappas participated in his first Decathlon at the San Francisco Decathlon/Heptathlon,



James Sherman/The Torch

Tom Pappas practices Thursday for Saturday's meet.

placing fifth out of 13, scoring 6743 points—just 82 points short of breaking the school record.

Members qualifying for the NWAACC championships are: Taryn Tarver, Jackie Hunter, Nikki Sighting, Gabrielle Fraley, Nicole Barrote, Brandy Dunn, Trish Hough, Audrea Woodring, Michelle Thurston, Stacy Fournier, Les Matthews, Ben Spurlock, Jon Land, John Boyle, Michael Jackson, Tom Pappas, Mat Nilsson, Ben Brainard, Justin Thompson, Arron Lamb, Mathias Wennberg. The women's 4X100 and 4X400 relay teams

qualified along with the men's 4X400 relay team.

The next match is in Winchester, Ore. on April 8, against Clark Community College, Southern Oregon Community College and Umpqua Community College.

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and von Carp are trampling on the ideal of representative government. They apparently can't accept the people's decision.

And they don't like the escape clause, either — that the sure-fire way to get rid of funding for OSPIRG, as well as any other campus organization is through a student vote. Student voters have the ultimate voice of approval or rejection for student fees at this college.

So far, a voting majority of students do want OSPIRG

chapters on their campuses, and until that changes, OSPIRG serves a purpose and has every legal right to remain at LCC, and the UO.

So, LCC students, now it becomes even more vital that you read, evaluate, and ask questions, then take a few minutes once a year during the ASLCC spring election (this year scheduled for May 1, 2 and 3) and vote.

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saw the gang leader a few feet away looking at me with an amazing expression. I once saw the same look on my mother's face after I lost my ballet slipper during a recital but managed to put it back on and continue the dance — relief and pride. It puzzled me. When he saw I was awake, the impassive, cool face instantly returned.

I looked back one last time before I hit the road and made a peace sign. His shoulders slumped.

I realized with fright that not once during that disaster had I seen law enforcement or public agency personnel, except one policeman I chased through knee

deep water, yelling for him to stop and give us information. "You're a paid public servant, you have to help us."

He kept going without a backward glance. We were marooned with no outside communication; the heroes of the night had been the gang, who towed hysterical motorists out of the flooded streets for hours.

Later, I wondered a bit why fate didn't send me down the Beverly Hills exit, but I knew the answer already.

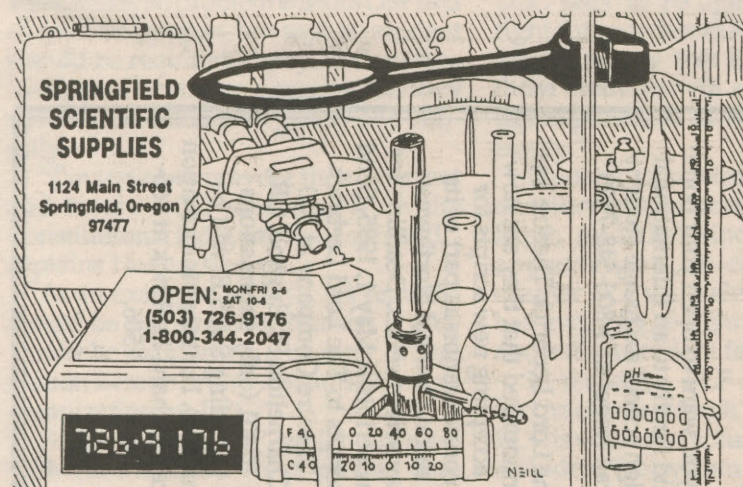
This is a story that never made the 6 O'clock News. If I had known the outcome in the morning, I would have relaxed, taken notes and this would have been

a better story.

In the future if I hear or read something bad about gangs, I'll remember the young men who helped out.

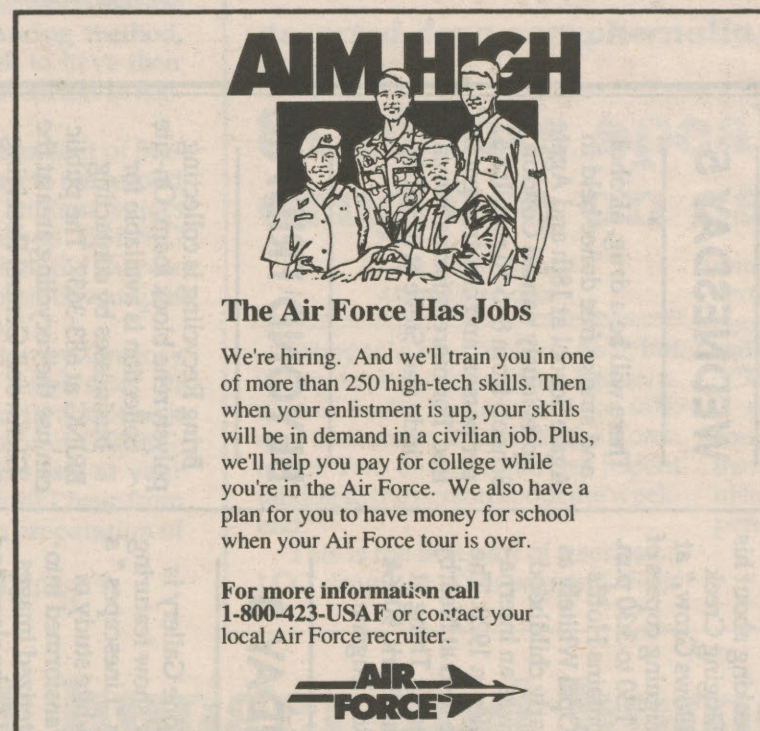
I learned I should plan trips, check weather reports and maps, let friends know my whereabouts.

Nah, who am I kidding? If I do that, I might never have anything to write about.



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SATURDAY 1

APRIL FOOLS DAY! Don't forget to fool somebody.

The Radar Angels and the Maude Kerns Art Center present the seventh annual JELL-O Art Show '95! All artwork uses Jell-o as its medium. The show runs from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Maude Kerns Art Center located at 1910 E. 15th Ave., Eugene, OR. 97403. For more information call 345-1571.

The Gyuto Monks will perform at the Hult Center for the Performing Arts in the Silva Hall. The show begins at 8 p.m. and tickets are \$20, \$18, and \$15. They are available through the Hult Center Box Office (687-5000) or through Fastixx (1-800-992-8499).

The Saturday Market returns to the outdoor site today! It is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., rain or shine. It is at the park blocks at 8th and Oak in downtown Eugene. For more market information call 686-8885, or write to 76 W. Broadway, Eugene, OR 97401.

SUNDAY 2

Oregon author Benjamin

Hoff will be speaking about his book, "The Singing Creek Where The Willows Grow," at 2:30 p.m., and signing copies of the book from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

The book contains Hoff's biography of Opal Whitely as well as her early childhood diary, which was an international best-seller in 1920. The signing will be held at Nearby Nature's Spring Thing at Armitage State Park, 90064 Coburg Rd., Eugene.

MONDAY 3

The PhotoZone Gallery is opening a new show featuring Walt O'Brien's "Linescapes," a black and white study of landscapes transformed into line and posterized images through digital technology and "I Designs," Allen Brigham's display of both personal and found images in black and white. The opening reception is April 7 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. The gallery is located at 164 W. Broadway.

TUESDAY 4

Sacred Heart General Hospital will be presenting a free viewing in the "Mental Health and the Cinema Series." "Born on the Fourth of July" and Dr. Tom Boyd, neuropsychologist, will moderate a discussion following the movie. For more information call 686-7044.

WEDNESDAY 5

There will be a drug, alcohol and smoke free dance held in Agate School at 18th and Agate (previously named Condon School) from 8 to 10 p.m. It's \$3 per person and children get in free. For more information call Linda and Steve at 683-6058.

BEYOND FRIDAY

Bring Recycling is collecting polystyrene block foam. On-site collection is available for businesses by contacting BRING at 683-3637. The public can use the recycling area at the Glenwood Central Receiving Station.

If you want to open your home and family to an international high school exchange student call Roger at 1-800-548-7223.

The Lord Leebrick Theatre has announced that they are now accepting new scripts for consideration as part of its second annual Northwest Playwright series. Deadline for new scripts is May 1, 1995. Send scripts to The Lord Leebrick Theatre Company at 540 Charnelton St. Eugene, OR., 97401 (only submissions including S.A.S.E. will be returned). For more information call Richard Leebrick at 465-1506.

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Nikki, a pot-belly pig, along with second-year nursing student Carol Ann Lumsden finds refreshment from the 70-degree heat on Tuesday, March 28.