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Progressive candidates soar to top

OSA ballot measure voted in; six write-ins get votes for senator seats

John Dreiling/Sabrina Forkish News Editor/Staff Writer

Riding the wave of a relatively high voter turn out, Pam Brooks and Jeff Stott will dive into next year's ASLCC President and Vice-President seats.

"I'm thrilled, I'm so psyched," said Stott, during a mini-celebration in the Center Building lobby, after the election results were announced. "We've got such a hell of a group. It isthe group to do it and we're going to get a lot of stuff done next year."

Each announced and most write-in Progressive candidates on the ballot



photo by Garth Rydstedt

(Left to right) Flame Stewart, Geri Schweigert, Pam Brooks, Ronda Green (behind Brooks), and Stephanie Waguespack celebrate upon reading the ASLCC election results.

will join Brooks and Stott on the 1998-99 ASLCC Senate.

"I'm ecstatic," said Brooks, over the din of her friends. "This is really exciting. I think it has a lot to do with the issues that we felt were important, and also ...working together."

The Brooks/Stott ticket received 318 votes, just ahead of the 235 votes that opponents Leanna Stachelrodt and Jeffery Johnston garnered. Election offi-

cials reported that 597 students voted in the election, compared to 400 in 1997.

"Of course I'm disappointed, but it was a great turnout, and I'm really excited that I got almost half the votes ... The students voiced their opinion," said Stachelrodt. "That was their choice."

The Oregon Student Association ballot measure passed overwhelmingly.

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Finally! Board gives green light to LTD pass plan

Judy Sierra *Managing Editor*

Comparing the decision to birthing a baby, the LCC Board of Education approved an LTD group bus plan, by a 6-0 vote, at its May 13 meeting.

The resolution means that the college will provide termlength, systemwide bus passes for sale through the LCC bookstore. The cost, subsidized by up to \$100,000 of Bookstore revenue, will be \$29 per term.



Pat Riggs-Henson

Lane representatives and LTD have spent eight years negotiating a plan to benefit the college. The subsidized passes will be available for sale to all students and staff during fall, winter and spring

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'Rachel's Daughters a poignant look at struggle for answers

by Jack Clifford

One in eight women will get breast cancer over their lifetimes. It's the most prevalent form of the illness, accounting for almost 40 percent of all cancer diagnosed in women.

In 1993, Susan Glassow was one of over 183,000 women in the U.S. diagnosed with breast cancer for the first time.

The discovery was a shock to the LCC English instructor because she had no known risk factors, she says. Glassow didn't sink into self-pity, however. Instead, she educated herself on the facts and the science and took her message to local, state, and national boards for broast capear.

tor behind a special May 16 showing at LCC of "Rachel's Daughters," a highly-acclaimed documentary by two San Francisco filmmakers, Allie Light and Irving Saraf. The Emmy and Oscar award-winning couple will present their personalized glimpse into the lives of women with breast cancer on Performance Hall Stage.

Glassow, who teaches the LCC course Women Make Movies, saw "Rachel's Daughters" for the first time on HBO in the fall of 1997. She was familiar with other films by the pair, but the poignant stories in this one touched her because "They bring



Retiring staff contributes 1,000 years of service

Dan Ball Staff Writer

Editor's Note: The Torch randomly chose 10 of the 50 retiring instructors to feature on these pages. There was no rhyme or reason to the choices; we thought this group represented a nice cross-section. We wish all of the retirees happy days in their future plans. All photos courtesy of Printing and Graphics.

Loreta Pritchard, production

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at Lane 1972 a helper **Loreta Pritchard** with registration, then tranferred to Admissions, but quit two years later. She enrolled for classes at LCC in fall 1975, and took a Work Study job

in Printing and Graphics; a year

later she began working full time

and has been in that department

Pritchard says in her retirement she "plans to squeeze and hug my grandkids a lot, spend more time with my family, travel and work on

Charlene Blinn

didn't have time to do before." Her

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job entailed many tasks: She had to over-

see the 57 copy machines around campus, order supplies for the shop, answer phones, call for repair on machines if needed, do inventory and bill clients. Pritchard admits to retiring because "the retirement package was good," but adds that she feels the need to maintain her health.

She will miss several aspects of

"The people, and having a job that was doing a service to the college" are just two, says Pritchard.

Academic Advisor Charlene Blinn came to the college in 1968.

Now, 30 years later, she is retiring to "spend more time with my family, especially to visit my daughter in Canada."

In the 30 years that Blinn has worked in the Counseling Department, she says that she liked working with the students, helping them to achieve and believe in their goals. Blinn also likes the caring environment at Lane, and the support that the Counseling Department gave her in her life through professional and personal relationships. She hopes to work part-time next year.

This has been a good life working for Lane," says Blinn.

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Michael Rose

"Lane is a good college, and I enjoy working with the students," says Rose. "There are a lot of events that have happened here the new buildings, the growth of the college, having gone through four presidents."

In retirement, Rose plans to "Read whatever I want to, do projects at home, spend more time with my grandchildren, and do a little scuba diving.

Robert Way, the director of Cooperative Education, began work at LCC in 1970, and states, "LCC is the best place to work for,



Robert Way

and this is the best job that exists." Way points to a couple of his accomplishments at LCC which make him proud. He was able to bring the Disney Corporation to recruit students, and he was elected

president of the National Cooperative Education Association in

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Sharon Moore

maybe do a little traveling." Sharon Moore began her career at Lane as a business education instructor, and has worked her way into her current job, Cooperative Education instructor for the Business Department.

Moore has been teaching since 1966, first working at Mt. Diablo High School in Concord, Calif. for three years, and then moving on to four years at Eugene's Sheldon High. She came to LCC in 1973.

As a cooperative education instructor, Moore says she has placed more than 3,000 students in internship positions.

"The versatility of students has been challenging, as they ranged from high school graduates to people in their 60s, as well as international students, " she says. "Finding business student work sites with employers in Lane County is a constantly changing

Moore sometimes encountered unusual circumstances while carrying out her duties.

"I remember one employer (site) visit. I visited a car parts store with a doberman on very active duty."

Moore has enjoyed working at Lane for many reasons, but especially because of its reputation in the community.

"No one really says anything bad about LCC, no matter where they are. I think it's just wonderful that people feel that way."

Linda Danielson began her career in 1973 in the Interdisciplinary Studies Department, which focused on ethnic and women's studies. When it dissolved in 1977, she was shifted into the English and Foreign language program, where she taught composition classes, folklore and myth, and Native American literature.

Her interest in Native American

folklore began during her childhood years.

"I wanted to know about these beautiful pottery bowls that were in my parents' house. I also liked the theme of union — oneness with all living things," says Danielson.

Her time at LCC had its up sides and its down sides, she says.

"I liked most of my colleagues and students, the fact that working part-time still allowed the opportunity to live my other life - music," says Danielson. Pointing out some of the reasons she's ready to retire, she says, "I have been doing this for over 30 years and it's time to do something else. Besides, I'm getting tired of grading papers."

Danielson plans to keep busy in retirement.



Phylis Geyer

teach fiddle lessons, play at more Scottish dances. travel, work during the summer at national

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parks, and maybe teach community education courses."

Phylis Geyer has worked mainly in the Counseling Department, but also moved around in the Social Science Department, teaching College Success and Career Planning.

Geyer says she's retiring after 14 years at Lane because, "I wasn't taking good care of myself, and so I could catch up on things that I didn't normally have time to do."

Exercise and travel are high on her list of activities in retirement.

see Retirees page 3



Linda Danielson

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"I want to go to Alaska. Also, (my husband and I) want to sail our new boat around the world after learning how to sail. It will be a hard experience."



Dorothy Skeers

Geyer appreciates what the students gave back to her while

"They taught me how to do my job better as I helped

at LCC.

them to find their goals. We had a mutual benefit."

Dorothy Skeers started her LCC career in 1969, with a ninemonth position in Foodservices. She worked her way into the bakery area, where she made doughnuts, cakes, pies, and muffins for the cafeteria patrons.

Skeers says she retired mainly because, "I had cancer, and was off work for 11-and-a-half months before returning to work for two months. Since the tumor was in my leg, the two months didn't work out, because I had to stand for long periods of time."

The cancer doesn't keep Skeers down, however, and her leg is now feeling better. Already retired, Skeers says, "I'm catching up on things that slid over the years, like my gardening."

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Lynn Swift

She wanted to have more time to develop other interests in her

life, so she decided to retire.

"I plan to continue working for LCC part-time, spend more time playing music, taking classes, and travel," says Swift.

Swift points to several reasons why she liked working at LCC.

"There were opportunities for

me to do professional development, to work with the students, the great staff, and to be part of the positive learning environment.'



Fred Beisse

Beisse is an instructor in the Computer Information Technology Deand program partment coordinator for Computer User Support degree program. His decision to retire is partly for financial reason, he says.

"The PERS retirement system that covers us (Lane employees) had a one-year window to take advantage of an unusual contribution to each employee's retirement account," says Beisse.

He hopes to continue teaching part-time at Lane if possible, and Beisse is working on a textbook for one of the courses he teaches. He plans on an August publishing

Retirees to take their bows at LCC gala

Dan Ball Staff Writer

Over 50 LCC instructors and faculty are formally retiring this year, and the college is hosting a gala in their honor on May 20 from 3-5 p.m. in the LCC cafeteria.

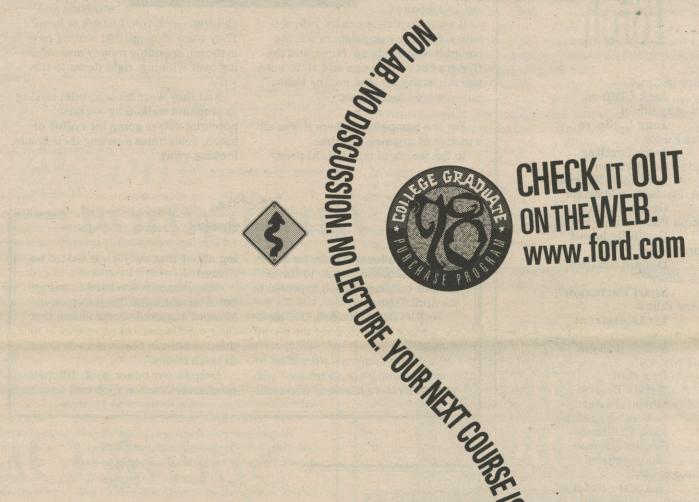
"We hold a party for the people retiring every year, and every year it keeps getting bigger and bigger," says Patty Lake, director of the Training and Development department, and manager of the party. "I think it's important to recognize these people. They have put in a total of 1,000 years collectively."

Lake also wants to to pay tribute to two employees who put in their retirement notice, but then passed away: Patty Kitchel, who worked for the Bookstore, and Ruth Coffman, an instructor in Family and Health Careers.

Lake expects about 500 people to attend the festivity. The instructors, their families, LCC employees, and past retirees are invited.

"The party will mainly be entertainment, along with a few speeches, and a yearbook," says Lake. "We create songs, poems, and skits for some of the things that mean a lot to each individual retiring. If several people are retiring from the same department, we lump it into one song, or poem for the department."

Several people in Lake's department divided the responsibilities for the party, she adds. Campus Services, Performing Arts, and Foodservices departments also contributed time by building platforms, and making the food and decorations.



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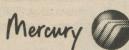


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COMMENTARY

by K. Bishop

Staff Writer

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oes anyone care about voter apathy?

What if LCC held an election and nobody came?

With \$65,000 in student-generated funds, student housing and transit issues at stake during the May 11-13 election, you'd think someone on this campus might take notice and make a

choice. Instead, by the end of the three-day affair, approximately 600 out of about 8,000 eligible voters marked a ballot.

It seems with the canary yellow tshirts, frenetic campaigners waving pamphlets in students' faces, and the OSAers convincing one and all to vote, you might think ... but no, the ballot boxes were lonely spots.

For the pamphlet pushers it was all a matter of urgency and time.

In the words of one ASLCC presi-

dential candidate, these three days of voting were "the last three days of hell." She found it difficult to compete against friends, and have people crumple campaign materials in her face to make a point.

One candidate for senator says her

signs were ripped down. Some of the candidates spent 12 hour days — missing classes, ignoring studying and

children - on the the task at hand. They were strategizing, writing new material, spending money and sweating over winning, right down to the

And they were all talk, talk, talking as students walked by - those potential voters going for coffee or lunch, sometimes averting their heads, looking away.

Meanwhile, voter apathy reigned with a vicious hand.

The voting booth is dead.

Robert Branch, a booth attendant, wished for more caffeine; voters trailed in at about 10-15 per hour, he says. But then some hours were slower than others — and the woman opposite him, collecting signatures for statewide initiatives, received most of the action.

People said they weren't voting because: they're not going to be here next year; they don't know what the issues are; they just don't vote, ever; because they didn't know they can(?!); or because an overzealous candidate had been in his or her face one too many times.

One woman reported being politically accosted in the elevator. She fought claustrophobia by counting and

See Voters page 12

A clarification is in order for a story about earthquake threats to the LCC campus buildings, which appeared in the April 30 issue.

We'll let Clifton Mitchell, LCC physical science instructor, set the record straight.

"In Victor Runyan's story if he replaced the words 'energy released' with seismic moment released,' when writing about that subject, it would be

"Also, moment is related to energy, but is not the same. Each step on the Moment Magnitude Scale means that the ground movement experience is 10 times as intense, but involves 30 times as much energy."

Despite our minor goof, Mitchell commends Victor on a job well done.

TAKE BACK THE NIGHT

In a society where one in three

women will be raped in their lifetime,

the only answer is that something must

change. In a society where rape myths

are still firmly believed, there is a need

for education. In a society where every

six minutes a woman is raped, there is a

A big "oops" for misspelling one of the ASLCC candidates.

D.J. Chesterman was somehow mistaken for D.J. Henderson in the May 7 issue. The story behind the mistake is really funny, so if D.J. would like to hear it, he can come to The Torch office for the scoop. Seriously though, we apologize for

THANK YOU LCC

The staff and members of the Oregon Student Association (OSA) board of directors would like to thank the LCC community for your consistent support over the past two months. While it has been a pleasure to work with the community college students for several years, the last several weeks have been the most intensive in our history.

Specifically, we would like to thank those who have helped us educate and inform the students, faculty and staff at LCC on the mission of OSA and the issues on which we work. Those issues surround making post-secondary education more attainable for all students. We believe that a high quality education is a right for all people and we strive to erase or reduce barriers to an education.

It is because of the help of those dedicated student and community leaders that we believe we have achieved our original goal: students making an informed choice on the Associated Student of Lane Community College (ASLCC) becoming a member of the OSA.

We have been impressed with the level of interest in issues of substance at LCC. Thank you again for your assistance in the creation of a campus dialogue. If you have further questions of interest in the Oregon Student Association, please feel free to contact us at (503) 588-1571, or use our web site, members.aol.com/commosa.

- Ed Dennis (on behalf of the OSA staff and board)

need for action. Rape is any unwanted sexual intercourse. Rape is about power and violence. A survivor is never at fault for a rape; in rape, the fault lies only with the rapist. 80-88 percent of rapes are date and acquaintance rape. Date and acquaintance rape are also violence, NOT a difference of opinion. No always

means no, and silence does not equal consent. we must educate ourselves about rape and sexual assault, and then take action to bring about change. For, in one way or another, sexual violence touches all of us.

May is Sexual Assault Awareness Month — 31 days in which we can focus our efforts on sexual assault education, prevention, awareness, and activism. The Take Back the Night March takes place during this month. 1998 is the 20th anniversary of the march, which has come to symbolize women protesting all forms of oppression, but rape and sexual assault in particular. Take Back the Night on May 21 begins at 8 p.m. at the UO's EMU Amphitheater, with a

rally and then a march to the East Park Block at 8th and Oak, where there will be a Speak-Out. To the women of Eugene, please come and share your

> - Rebecca Farmer UO student

THANKS LCC VOLUNTEERS

I am writing to express appreciation to those volunteers who came up to help repair and resurface the Eldon Schafer Nature Trail behind the Science building last on May 7. Under the guidance of OSPIRG, and with the generous loan of tools, a truck and wood chips from the Grounds Department, a group of about seven volunteers working to make the Trail more usable.

The Nature Trail is a very valuable asset to LCC, for instructors to take their students, for Science students to study nature, for PE students to get exercise, and for anyone who wants to get away from the hustle and bustle of

Many thanks to OSPIRG for organizing the project, to Campus Services (Grounds) for the use of their equipment, and to the hardworking students who volunteered their time and energy. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

- Joe Russin Biology Instructor

porary price reductions like

"happy hour" or "dimes," says

What will happen after the

'We don't know what's going

At least one local person, well

"I believe those ads (liquor,

aware of the effects of alcohol, is

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Oregon Lottery) are very de-

structive. They glamorize some-

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King, president of a local transi-

these ads may encourage some-

one to start drinking or trigger a

recovering alcoholic to drink.

to happen," says Kasper.

Kasper.

ban is lifted?

more direct.

Co-op Program provides taste of foreign cultures

Matt Beardsley For The Torch

Interested in visiting Mexico for a few months for a small price that includes room and board?

Students from LCC as well as other colleges in Oregon are taking advantage of the International Cooperative Education Program offered through LCC. This program is designed for college students who are willing to teach English in Mexican schools and organizations.

"We are looking for students who are mature, those who can deal with ambiguity, flexible, and willing to take on constant new changes as well as following a strong commitment," says Linda Myers, who has been involved with the Cooperative Education program for almost 11 years and has been in charge of the Mexican internships for four years.

Students live with Mexican families

or in special housing and receive room and board in exchange for their work. By living and working with Mexican people, students have the opportunity to gain valuable skills in cross-cultural communication and cultural sensitivity, and increase their Spanish proficiency, says Myers.

"It's not a vacation, it's work," she adds. "It's a work/cultural immersion (where the student) has to really be interested in immersing oneself in a culture as well as having a lot of patience."

Students must be committed to fulfilling work responsibilities. It is also necessary for students to have some experience teaching in a classroom atmosphere, and being fluent with the language.

Students interested in learning more about this program or others similar to the Mexico internships, can call the Cooperative Education Department at 726-2203

LCC board will choose from four applicants to fill Zone 3 seat

Dan Ball Staff Writer

Four applicants are seeking appoinment to the Zone 3 seat on the LCC Board of Education, the position representing the Springfield, Thurston, and Marcola areas.

The Zone 3 seat is currently held by Pat Riggs-Henson, who resigned last month. Her term would have expired in 2001. The Board of Education will appoint Riggs' replacement to serve until next year's election.

The LCC Board met May 13 to review questions to ask the applicants, and will likely make a decision within three to four weeks (at the June meeting), says Tracy Simms, assistant to the president

The candidates are: Charlotte Behm, who has worked as a faculty member and department chair at Mission College in Santa Clara, Calif., but who now works on grants for the college from her home in Springfield; James Britt, an attorney at law; C.J. Mann, representative with the Housing Authority and Community Services Agency; and Claudia Plaza, general manager of Fifth Street Market.

· Behm says she worked in the community college system at the local, regional, and national levels, and was invited to serve as a national leader on a seven-member steering committee of the National Science Foundation in Washington, D.C. Behm earned grants to utilize assets of diverse student populations in math, science, engineering and technology.

· Britt is the director of the ASUO Student Advocacy at the university. He has worked at OSU and UO. He was also an instructor for sports and law class at OSU.

· Mann has served on local and statewide boards, and worked with diverse populations, including the Looking Glass Residential Group Home. She is the current president of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employ-

· Plaza was a board member of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce for five years, and is currently vice president of the Metropolitan Partnership Board, which recruits new businesses to Lane

OLCC asks students to critique ads

Supreme Court ruling gives the green light to liquor advertising

> Victor Runyan Lead Writer

For over 40 years the federal and state governments have had an uneasy truce with companies that sell hard liquor. These companies had voluntarily declined to advertise on television since the '50s and radio since the '30s.

This truce dissolved after a 1996 Supreme Court ruling.

Oregon passed administrative rules to make this voluntary ban carry the force of law in the '50s. In 1996 the court ruled that laws banning broadcast liquor ads were unconstitional because violate the Admendment of the US Constition. After this ruling the Distilled Spirits Council of the United States lifted its voluntary advertising policy.

In January of this year, the Oregon Liquor Control Commission asked the Attorney General of Oregon for an opinion on the legality of Oregon's ban on liquor ads, says Louise Kasper, OLCC public affairs. And the opinion is that the ban also violates the Oregon Constition's protections of free speech.

The liquor commission will admeeting, probably removing the ban, says Kasper. Until then, the rule is still law. She says the commission will likely continue to regulate the content of local alcohol ads, but won't be able to effect ad campaigns at the national level.

The five volunteer members of the liquor commission want to hear from college students at its May meeting. They will hold a round-table discussion on May 19, from 1:30-3 p.m., with college students, of drinking age or not, about how Oregon's alcohol laws affect them, how they perceive those rules, attitudes toward binge drinking, and other topics

"Only students will be speaking, no faculty," says Kasper, so students can feel freer to speak.

The meeting is at the Portland office of the OLCC at 9079 S.E. McLoughlin Blvd. Students who want to speak should contact Kasper at 1-800-452-6522 by May 15, so that the commission will know about how many speakers to expect. Anyone wanting more information about the OLCC should also contact Kasper.

The commission will continue to prohibit ads that promote illegal use of alcohol, minors drinking, alcohol's "curative" powers, its ability to intoxicate, claims of "improving" artistic or athletic performance, or excessive rapid dress the issue at its May 18-19 drinking. The law also prohibits advertisers from advertising tem-

Student surprised with \$500



Kami Wittrock reacts to receiving the **Harriet Hamon** \$500 scholarship award on May 9 from the **Oregon Dental Assistant** Association. There were 14 applicants for the award, but only four were awarded.

tion house for recovering alcohol and drug users. He suggests that

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** Primary by Sabrina Forkish

This year's statewide primary elections will be different from years past in a number of ways.

First of all, the Oregon Democratic Party is opening up its elections for the first time ever, allowing Independents and third party members to receive and vote on the Democratic ballot. Until now, the Democrats allowed only their own party members to receive a democratic ballot for the primaries. The Republicans tried opening up their primaries once a few years back, but decided not to continue.

In 1996 approximately 50 percent of Oregon voters chose to exercise their rights to vote by absentee ballot. If this number exceeds the 50 percent mark in the May 19 primaries, it will be the first time ever in Oregon that there were more people voting from home than going out to the polls on election day.

A third unusual twist is the number of candidates running uncontested in the primaries, and some even in the November general elections. According to the official Voters' Pamphlet, of the eight positions for state representative, three Democrats are running unopposed in both the primary and general elections. The same is true for two of the three State Senate seats, in which Democrats are running unopposed in both elections. There is no position in either the State House nor the State Senate that has more than one candidate in both the Republican and Democratic primaries. What's going on here??

Below is a look at the some of the candidates you have a chance to vote for on May 19. Most information

has been taken from candidates' statements in the State Voters' Pamphlet and the voters' guide put out by the League of Women Voters.



U.S. SENATE: Ron Wyden, who gained his Senate position when Bob Packwood resigned in 1996, is up for

re-election already, with only one Democratic challenger in the primary. Voters will decide on May 19 whether Wyden or his opponent John Sweeney will go on to the general elections in November.

As can well be expected, there are as many differences as there are similarities between Sweeney and Wyden. On the international agenda at least, the candidates seem to completely disagree.

According to their statements in the pamphlet put out by the League of Women Voters, Wyden believes that the United States "must continue to support the . . . role the United Nations plays in world affairs," while Sweeney says that since the threat of communism is over, the U.S. "should reduce our involvement in the U.N."

On the tax front, Wyden emphasizes that he was "the only Democrat in the U.S. Senate to vote in favor of requiring a super-majority in Congress to raise taxes." Sweeney wants tax reform, and proposes a 10-1-1 flat rate income tax, meaning 10 percent on wages, salaries, and commission, 1 percent on other income such as stocks and interest, and 1 percent on businesses.

Both candidates support various levels of campaign finance reform.

Sweeney, who is a freelance writer, private instructor and member of the National Rifle Association, wants to see the Social Security retirement age lowered to 60, believing this would expand job opportunities for the

younger population. He writes in the official Voters' Pamphlet, "The Money' is there and WE deserve it."

Meanwhile, it seems to me that the government is having a hard enough time figuring out how to pay for aging "baby boomers" with the retirement age at 65.

According to Wyden's page in the Voters' Pamphlet, during his two years in the Senate, he has fought tobacco



companies, taken on polluters, defended women's rights to make their own health care choices, and held town meet-

ings in every county in Oregon each year he served. The thing that stood out the most from his statement, however, was his conclusion. Rather than "Vote for Wyden," he wrote, "Thanks for taking the time to read the voter guide."

He was the only candidate to thank the readers for their time.

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE, 4TH DISTRICT: Incumbent Peter DeFazio is running unchallenged in the Democratic primaries for the Fourth Congressional District seat.

GOVERNOR: There are three gubernatorial candidates on the Democratic ballot this May. John Kitzhaber is running for re-election, and is challenged by Dave Foley and Paul Damian Wells.

Kitzhaber, former emergency room physician, state legislator and author of the Oregon Health Plan, lists his top priorities as education, juvenile crime prevention, environmental protection, and transportation. He also plans to extend the OHP to students, pregnant women, and children. He is fighting for higher public school standards, and believes that post-secondary education should be funded out of the state's general fund. He concludes his statement in the voters' guide by saying, "Let us not forget that if we work together, no dream lies beyond our grasp."

Competing for Kitzhaber's seat is Dave Foley, a retired mechanic and business owner who has never held a political office position before. His page in the Voters' Pamphlet is packed with short policy statements, some of which are extremely controversial, and others that leave many questions unanswered.

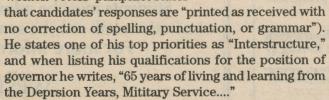
For example, Foley believes in open primary elections, increased library funding, state term limits and a flat rate income tax. He wants to update environmental laws, protect Oregon from a state sales tax, and license and insure bicycles.

He also boldly states that he wants to legalize all drugs, license prostitution and stop building more jails. Increasing the use of the death penalty is also on his list. "Eye for an Eye," his statement says. "Cut down on appeals and time." Also, he writes, "No Frivolous Law Suits. Common sense requirement."

Yet I wonder, just how does one go about enforcing "common sense?"

Foley says that if elected he will work for \$1 a year and will sell the governor's mansion, which he refers to as "Mega-Mania Hall."

His ability to spell, however, is in question. (The League of Women Voters' pamphlet states



The third candidate for governor on the Democratic ballot is, in fact, not a Democrat, but an Independent,

voting rights activist seeking a forum. In his statement Paul Damian Wells, an electrical engineer, explains how he received his page in the Democratic section of the voters pamphlet: "By registering as a Democrat, I qualified as a candidate for governor by paying \$100 and filling out a form. As a Democratic candidate for governor I am entitled to a full page in the primary voter's pamphlet for \$300."

Wells wants "free and open elections," hoping that such a reform would give third party candidates a better chance in the primaries.

REPUBLICAN BALLOT

U.S. SENATE: There are three Republicans vying for the U.S. Senate seat: John Lim, John Michael Fitzpatrick, and Valentine Christian.

Lim, owner of ARJ company which develops health and beauty products, has held a position in the State Senate and can claim endorsements from such Republicans as U.S. Sen. Gordon Smith, Congressman Bob Smith, and State Senate President Brady Adams. According

to the LWV pamphlet, his top priority "is to provide a strong education for our children to be able to compete in the 21st century." He also speaks about family values, and the problem of gambling.

Lim believes that there should be limits on soft money contributions to campaigns, but sees contributions by individuals as an expression of free speech. His opponent, John Fitzpatrick, on the other hand, opposes all limits on campaign finance.

Both Lim and Fitzpatrick believe the United States can play an invaluable role in foreign policy.

Valentine Christian, who lists his occupation as "Mathematician-Scientist-Programmer-Designer," seems to be using his campaign as a platform on which to criticize nearly every aspect of our current governmental system. On foreign policy, Christian writes in the State Voters' Pamphlet, "We should allow no non-elected non-American pip-squeak from an insignificant country smaller than many Oregon cities... to dictate what laws we can or cannot pass." He says that among other organizations, we should abolish NATO and NAFTA, and "We should not be a flunky for the UN."

He calls the Voters' Pamphlet, in which he is writing, a "sleazy publication" and a "blatant scam."

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE, 4TH DISTRICT: The Republicans have two contestants in the race for this seat. Either Michael R. Cloonan or Steve J. Webb will go on to face DeFazio in the general election in November.

Neither candidate has a great amount of governmental experience; Cloonan, a technical supervisor, has served as a Precinct Committeeperson, and Webb, when not working at his job in retail, has volunteered for presidential campaigns such as Pat Buchanan's in 1992 and the Bob Dole/Jack Kemp ticket in 1996.

Both pledge to work for a balanced budget, and both support a flat rate income tax. Neither of the candidates appreciates United Nations control over the U.S. military

Cloonan lists legislative term limits and school vouchers as top priorities. Webb promises to "join the war against 'partial birth' abortion, gay marriage, assisted suicide and the constant attack against the American



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ent family by the liberal establishment." He also believes in strict enforcement of the death penalty and the idea of "three strikes and you're out."

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GOVERNOR: Four Republicans are running for governor this year: Jeffrey Brady, Walter Huss, Bill Sizemore and Bill Spidal.

Brady, a dentist, opens his two-paragraph statement in the State Voters' Pamphlet with these words: "I am running for Governor because I do not think enough is being done to Save the Salmon, the Steelhead " After his short paragraph on fish and streams, he concludes his pamphlet statement with one sentence on affordable dental care for children.

> In the LWV pamphlet Brady lists his third and fourth priorities (after streams and dental care) as education and public safety. He does not support public funding for post-secondary education, saying that students will "appreciate it a lot more if they have to work a little harder to get through school."

Walter Huss, director of the Oregon Tax Reform Coalition, uses his campaign as a promotion for the Huss Gross Receipts Tax, which is a proposed 2.5 percent single tax in exchange for

abolishing state income and property taxes.

The man expected to win the Republican nomination for Governor is Bill Sizemore, executive director of Oregon Taxpayers United and a strong anti-tax activist. A father of five, he lists public education as a top priority, along with the environment and transportation. Sizemore also believes in competitive bidding, which, he says, gives "customers the highest quality products at the lowest price." He says, "It is time to require that, whenever approprate, monopolized government services be open to competitve bidding from the private sector."

As if in anticipation of his current publicity problems, Sizemore had the fortunate insight to speak about the media in his pamphlet statement: "The most common response after I do a public speaking engagement is people approaching me to say that I am quite different in person than the image the media has painted of me."

Bill Spidal, who ran for Portland mayor two years ago, is back in the political arena again. Along with Sizemore and Huss,

Spidal is an advocate for lower taxes. He and Sizemore both support increased jail space and list the environment as a top concern. Spidal differs from most of his Republican counterparts, however, by announcing his "pro-choice" stand on the abortion issue.

NON-PARTISAN RACES

(Not all of the positions are listed here. Just some of the more contested races).

LANE COUNTY COMMISSIONER: Current County Commissioner Steve Cornacchia is running for re-election this year in the Springfield district, and is challenged by Bill Dwyer, who currently holds a position as a State Representative.

Cornacchia, an attorney, believes family wage jobs should be a top priority, and has helped to bring corporations such as Sony and Hyundai to the area. He emphasizes that youth crime prevention is one of the best ways to fight crime, and writes about "the importance of striking a balance on environmental issues."

Bill Dwyer is a former LCC student and independent

small businessman, and has served in the state legislature for a number of years. Dwyer is endorsed by Springfield Mayor Bill Morrisette, as well as Rep. Peter DeFazio, who calls Dwyer "fiercely independent."

With only two candidates for this non-partisan position, the final winner will be chosen in the primaries rather than the general elections.

COMMISSIONER OF THE BUREAU OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIES: The position of Labor Commissioner is being contested by Mike Fahey and incumbent Jack Roberts. The winner of this seat will be determined in the primaries.

Fahey, currently a state representative, is the more

liberal of the two candidates. He promises that as commissioner, he "will work to initiate apprenticeship programs in the



areas of high-technology, home health and agriculture." He supports family medical leave and writes that he "will work to protect workers from civil rights violations."

Jack Roberts, a Eugene attorney and County Commisioner, claims to have saved Oregon taxpayers millions of dollars by "cutting his own agency budget by \$2 million" and "reducing the number of employees by 20%." His pamphlet statement also says that he has made it easier for teenagers to find jobs by "eliminating pages of red-tape and paperwork.'

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC **INSTRUCTION:** It seems almost absurd, but while many other governmental seats stand uncontested this May, there are 16 candidates for State School Superintendent. Contestants are: Ron Adams, Jack B. Bray, Stan Bunn, Margaret Carter, Vern Cook, Alan DeMeurers, Wayne L. Fanno, Jim Howard, Mike Humphreys, Colin Karr-Morse, Sam Oakland, John Pershall, Berna O'Ree-Rogers Plummer, Spencer Schock, Carol Simila-Dickinson and Michael Jeffrey Verhulst.

Unless one of these 16 candidates receives 50 percent of the vote, the two who receive the most votes will run against each other in the general election. To find out more about the candidates, look to your Voters' Pamphlet!

BALLOT MEASURE #53

When voters approved Measure 50 in 1997, (which was a rewritten version of Measure 47, dealing with property taxes), a little-noticed provision passed along

The so-called "double-majority" provided that for certain local property tax measures to be passed, the measures must not only receive over 50 percent of the vote, but more than 50 percent of the registered voters must have casts ballot on the measures.

For example, a school district could put a measure on the ballot providing for increased property taxes to fund its schools. If the measure receives 65 percent of the vote, but only 43 percent of the district's registered voters showed up at the polls, the measure would not be passed into law.

Ballot Measure 53 is an opportunity for voters to repeal the provision. A "yes" vote on the measure strikes down the 50 percent turnout requirement, which is currently law. A "no" vote retains the law.

ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR: Under the current system, a non-voter essentially registers a "no" vote. This seems to distort the meaning of democracy, since someone who

chooses not to vote - whether out of ignorance, laziness or conscious choice - has more impact than someone who takes the time to educate him/herself, and cast a ballot. Opponents of a tax measure are not forced to go out and cast a "no" ballot. In fact, they have more of a weight in the election if they stay home.

Another problem that people see happening is the "Dead Man Voting" concept. The double majority law requires that 50 percent of the registered voters turn out to vote. This does not necessarily mean legitimate, or even living voters. People who have recently died but whose names have not been removed from the voter registration rolls would be counted as "no" votes, even though they are obviously in no position to be casting ballots.

Besides dead voters, "no" votes are also counted from registered voters who have moved out of the district but whose names have not yet been removed from the reg-

When voters had the choice of voting on the double majority idea as separate Measure 46 in 1996, they voted

it down with 88 percent of the vote. Supporters of Measure 53 claim that voters did not notice or did not realize the impact that the



double majority provision would have when they passed Measures 47 and 50 in 1997, that included the provision which, supporters say, was buried among other things.

Supporters of Measure 53 include the Oregon PTA Board of Directors, the Oregon Election Officials Committee, Gov. Kitzhaber, Secretary of State Phil Keisling, State Treasurer Jim Hill, Superintendent of Public Instruction Norna Paulus and President of the Oregon Education Association James K. Sagen.

ARGUMENTS IN OPPOSITION: Opponents of the measure are mainly anti-tax activists who want it to be as hard as possible for the government to raise property taxes, and believe that the double majority is one of the better ways to do so. They argue that the people should not be forced to go out to vote in order to protect their money.

Richard Burke, who is a Libertarian candidate for governor, writes in the Voters' Pamphlet, "Tax proposals place a burden on working Oregonians to vote 'no' in order to protect their income." But isn't voting the essence of democracy?

Opponents of Measure 53 include Communications Director for the Libertarian Party of Oregon David L. Vessell, and Bill Sizemore.



Winner from page 1

More students voted for OSA, 458, then for any ticket or candidate on the ballot. Only 89 students opposed the measure. The OSA represents student interests through lobbying legislators in Salem, and LCC students will help fund it with

a \$1.13 increase in their student body fees.

"We're coming into a legislative session and I think with Lane being on board, we're going to be able to work officially with the student government, and probably with the adminis"...I feel like I had the support of my teammates and I just feel great."

-Ronda Green

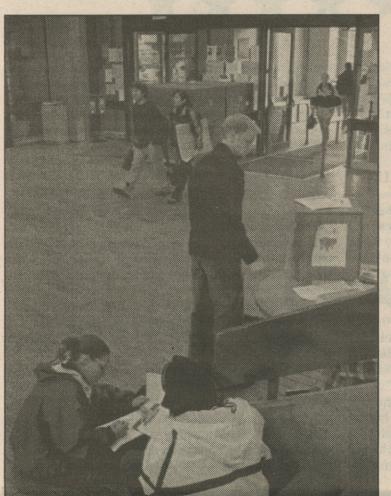


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tration and faculty to go ahead and provide a strong face to the legislature," said Shaun Sieren, OSA Field organizer.

Progressive candidate Ronda Green received 292 of the 514 votes for the position of ASLCC treasurer, beating out challenger D.J. Chesterman.

"I cannot believe I won," said Green. "I feel its great, because I feel like I had the support of my teammates and I just feel great. (Next year) I plan on making sure that the budget is balanced, stays balanced, and to try to get rid of some of the deficit that we have now."

Flame Stewart, also on the Progressive line-up, received 282 votes, and will be the next Campus Events and Multicultural Program Coordinator.

"Fabulous," she said of the results. "Progressive movement, progressive thinking, that's what it's all about. I'm excited."

Mike Emmons received 401 votes, easily gaining a seat as senator. Brian Tanner joins Emmons; Tanner was re-

Carmenita Holmes and Meiko Brown pore over the ASLCC ballot on the Bookstore steps.

elected to the ASLCC senate by 431 students.

Six write-in candidates also succeeded, meeting or exceeding threshold of six votes needed, according to ASLCC Secretary Bette Dorris. Larry Cox led the write-ins with 37, Stephanie Waguespack had and Geri Schweigert finished with 25. Wanda Lang had 11 votes, Bryan Gates

eight, and James Scoggins finished with six.

The remaining two senate seats will be filled next fall.

"(This) is like electricity going around us right now because our whole slate was voted in," said Schweigert, former *Torch* A&E Editor. "The whole group got together, the senators were out there ... everybody was at the tables. The table was never alone, and I think that's what did it."

When asked how she felt



photo by Grant Bathke

Flame Stewart shows her emotion over a win in the ASLCC election,

about the elections, Waguespack said, "Wonderful. I really didn't expect it because I was a write-in and I'm glad to really get involved with students."

"We had good poll workers, everybody played fair, everybody did all the campaigning they needed to do," said Dorris of the elections. "I think people made good, clear choices. Everybody worked hard. OSA was very visible, the candidates were visible."

"Progressive movement, progressive thinking, that's what it's all about."

— Flame Stewart

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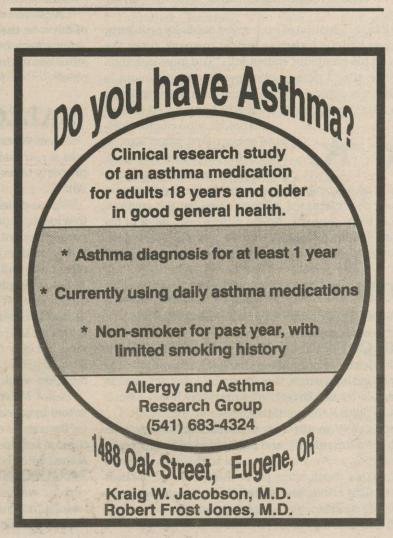
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LCC's student Internet access is underused

Victor Runyan Lead Writer

"Is there anybody out there?" asks a song by the rock group Pink Floyd.

Or in a more complete form: Is anybody out there who wants to use LCC's Student Access Network to access the Internet?

Only about 200 people are using a system designed for 2,000 with the option to expand even more. But LCC, while it is concerned about this underusage, has no intention of shutting the service down, says Nick Cheshire, director of Computer Services.

Instead, the college is trying to improve service and increase visibility to students for the \$30 per term —\$10 a month — access. Cheshire says LCC technicians are

working on providing "home page" space for students and trying to au-

tomate the process of signing — making it easier and faster to sign onto the service. He says CS's goals is to "make it a much better service.

Cheshire says that the Student Access Network offers affordable

access to the Internet in an age when the Internet is used more and more. He says he expects usage will increase somewhat be-

cause more LCC instructors are starting to use the Internet in some way in their teaching.

Craig Heiden, LCC's student accounts coordinator until he left May 7 to head the University of Colorado student internet accounts section, echos this sentiment adding, "It's a reality that students are going to need Internet

He says publicity has always been a problem for the SAN because its use is limited to LCC stu-

dents, so many widereaching media need Internet access." wouldn't be appropriate. He says the

college intends to circulate flyers and pamphlets to students next year to try to improve usage.

Green light from page 1

terms of the 1998-99 academic

LCC President Jerry Moskus emphasized this is a one-year pilot project.

"We will gather data through the year to assess the needs of the students and make sure we are meeting those specific needs," he said.

Danny Armanino, ASLCC president, said, "It is an option that will benefit our students while providing strong statistical data about who will take advantage of this plan."

The board rejected an alternative option at its April meeting. Members determined then that the \$8.39 proposed fee was too much to ask of students - especially in light of the \$2 per credit tuition hike. Larry Romine, LCC board member, strongly recommended that the Lane Group Pass Team return to the board's May meeting with a recommendation that would benefit the specific needs of the students.

In other agenda:

 The board accepted Pat Riggs-Henson's resignation from the board with "deepest regrets" after nine years of service.

In her letter of resignation

Riggs-Henson wrote, "I have enjoyed my time in service to the college and community immensely and leave with great reluctance. The work that the college staff does to provide quality education to our community far exceeds any test of excellence."

The board approved Moskus' contract of employment through June 30, 2001.

The contract states the board shall pay the president an annual salary of \$111,000 from March 1, 1998 — June 30, 1999 (the salary to be prorated for the four month period starting March 1.)

His salary will increase to \$120,000 for the July 1, 1999 through June 30, 2000 school year and to \$129,000 until June 30, 2001.

Also included in the contract is an additional \$300 per month for miscellaneous discretionary expenses associated with the performance of his duties.

The president is entitled to a professional leave of 30 calendar days each year, the use of an automobile, including reimbursement for all operating expenses, and "retention incentive benefits.

CAMPUS CONSTRUCTION SCHEMATICS

Students wanting a peek at the changes to the LCC campus can check out the schematics in the second floor gallery in the library and in Campus Services 201.

The schematics will be on display for two weeks beginning Monday, May 18. Student comments are welcome, says Nancy Nichols.

CAFE HOSTS SMART BENEFIT NIGHT

High Street Brewery and Cafe, 1243 High Street, is sponsoring a SMART benefit night May 21. The restaurant will donate half of its sales from 5 p.m. to close to the children's reading program in Lane County.

SMART (Start Making A Reader Today) is a statewide nonprofit organization dedicated to increasing early literacy through community involvement. Volunteers read for an hour a week with two children in local elementary schools. Students also receive two books a month from SMART's library to keep.

The program currently serves 15 schools and about 600 children in Lane County. For more information about SMART or to become a volunteer, call 726-3302.

RIVERWALK TO BENEFIT HIV ALLIANCE

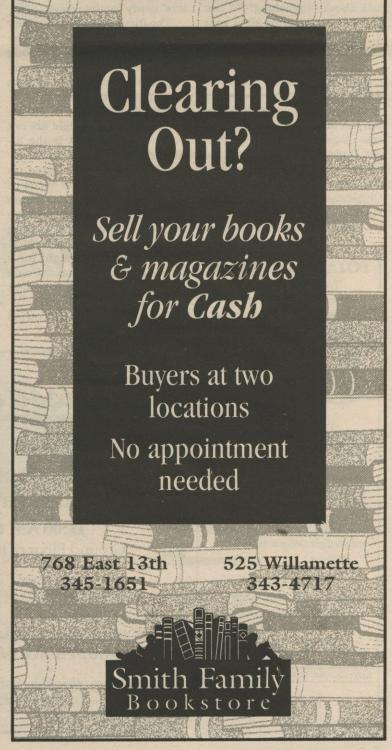
RiverWalk 1998 happens May 16 in Eugene's Alton Baker Park. This twelfth annual spring "Pledge, Parade and Picnic" supports HIV Alli-

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ance and its important work of education, prevention, client service and health care in response to HIV/AIDS in Lane County. Teams (of youth, church members, co-workers and friends) and individuals are responding to the RiverWalk challenge by soliciting pledges to HIV alliance. Average individual pledge contribution is expected to be about \$55; teams may raise several hundred dollars a group. There will be prizes for the most successful individuals and RiverWalk dedications are encouraged: in memory or honor, of someone who's made a difference — and for a future free of HIV. May is Sexual Assault Awareness Month May is Sexual Assault Awareness Month and groups around Lane County are making community displays. The Clothesline Project will be at LCC May 14 RN/BSN OUTREACH PROGRAM AT LCC Oregon Health Sciences University School of Nursing in Portland holds an RN/BSN Outreach Program at LCC, May 18 at 1 p.m. in Health 105. Learn about earning your bachelor of science in nursing while living and working in Eugene. For more info, call Jean Conklin at ext. 2802.



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LCC EVENTS

On May 15 and 16 at 7 p.m., come see fellow LCC and UO classmates in the new musical John n' Juliet at the Willamette High School Auditorium. Joshua Johnson, a high school senior in Alvadore, OR, generously sprinkles this WWII-era presentation with humor, drama, and romance. Tickets are \$5 at the door. Willamette High is located at 1801 Echo Hollow Road. Call 688-8651 for more details. UO EVENTS

It's that time again! Celebrate spring with traditional and ethnic sounds from the 28th annual Willamette Valley Folk Festival, May 15-17. Our own KLCC 89.7 will be broadcasting live from the Main Stage on the UO campus, with Saturday Cafe's Frank Gosar manning the mike May 16 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The festival features local, regional, and national musicians. Included in the lineup are the Laura Kemp Band, the Kudana Marimba Ensemble, and Bindaas, to name but a few.

The Forum also presents Art for the Empowerment of Women at the Adell McMillan Art Gallery. Opening on the 18th and running until June 14, this ex-

Stepper Out

hibit sheds light on womens' struggles, pains, and triumphs. The opening reception will be held May 20 in the Gallery from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. For more info, please call the UO Cultural Forum, or check out the Gallery website at darkwing.uoregon.edu/~gallery/emu.html. WOW HALL EVENTS

May 15 marks the night for funkmeisters Rubberneck, with special guest Big Hippie. Rubberneck, a Portland group, dabs Latin sound into urban dance party music—the result will have you "moving your heart and your rear," to quote The Oregonian. Veneta's Big Hippie gets you groovin' with a funk/acid rock fusion. Wanna party? Pick up your tickets (\$6 in advance, \$7 at the door) at CD World, the EMU Main Desk, House of Records, La Tiendita/Taco Loco, the Record Exchange, the WOW Hall, or visit www.ticketweb.com. Doors open at 9 p.m., with the show starting at 9:30.

MAUDE KERNS ART CENTER

The Center is 103 years old this year! Mythic Sky celebrates on May 15 with a smooth folk/rock/classical fusion. The party begins at 7 p.m., and will also include a presentation by Mary-Helen Burnham on the history

of the site and its namesake. A **closing reception** entitled "Escapes: Views of Land, City, Sea, and Sky," an exhibit of five landscape/cityscape artists, will round out the evening. **The Maude Kerns Art Center** is located at 1910 E. 15th Ave. For more information, call 345-1571.

Ceramicist **Don Prey** offers a day-long glazemaking workshop on May 16, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Materials, recipes, and preparation will be covered, with emphasis on components used and their properties. Admission is \$31 for members and \$41 for non-members, with a \$6 materials fee, but fear not: Scholarships are available for interested people who meet qualifications. Please call the Center for more details.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Mark your calendar for May 17 to see Michael Allen Harrison, "critically acclaimed pianist/composer," at the Temple Beth Israel. In celebration of Israel's 50th anniversary, Harrison brings his dynamic compositions to life along with Eugene's own multi-instrumentalist, David Helfand. Temple Beth Israel is located at 2550 Portland Street in Eugene; tickets are \$8 at the door, and the show begins at 8 p.m. For more information, please call 345-3131. Salud!

"Rachel's" from page 1

to the screen pretty complicated scientific information in a way it can be understood.

"So I called them and asked, 'What would it take to bring you to Lane Community College and talk about filmmaking? To talk about how you bring all of your art to a subject like breast cancer?," she says.

The genesis of "Rachel's Daughters" came in late 1993. Saraf and Light had recently found out that their own daughter, just 39 years old at the time, was diagnosed with breast cancer. During an interview with the San Francisco Examiner, Light was asked what she wanted for Christmas; she replied simply, "I want a cure for breast cancer."

Medical writer Nancy Evans,

then president of Breast Cancer Action, saw that story and contacted Light and Saraf. The three joined forces, and then spent a total of three years filming and editing to get "Rachel's Daughters" ready for the screen.

The film is named in memory of author Rachel Carson. She wrote *Silent Spring*, the book that launched the American environmental movement. Carson died of breast cancer in 1964.

This documentary is unique because Saraf and Light are not the interviewers; it is the afflicted women who quiz researchers for information on their conditions. The focus of their talks is also a shift from conventional thinking, because they aren't simply discussing treatment. Instead, the central themes are "What might have caused my breast cancer? Could something in my environment have been the cause?"

The women are from varied

races, socio-economic worlds, sexual choices, and ages, and have a range of suspicions about the causes of their breast cancers. They interviewed twenty-two scientists from medical research institutions and the National Cancer Institute who do a commendable

job of explaining their work in layman's language.

"Instead of a number of rats running through laboratories, scientists are sitting down with

people, asking questions that are particular to them," says Glassow.

She says she relates to "Rachel's Daughters" because Glassow herself questions the origins of her condition.

"I never believed I was responsible for my breast cancer," she

says. "Most of us try to imagine what it might have been to begin to alter our DNA. All I can think about is growing up in Bend, Oregon as a child and you could literally smell the DDT when they sprayed the school-grounds. People didn't know then."

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an Oscar in 1991 for "In the Shadow of the Stars," a documentary which shined the light on the chorus of the San Francisco Opera House. The two also won an Emmy in 1993 for "Dialogues with Mad Women," a film about mental illness and its impact on the women portrayed.

"Allie and Irving really do want to tell people's stories," says Glassow. "They really do care and they're very positive people. I really believe that when people can face personal tragedy, and attempt to do something that matters to all of us, those are our heroes."

The film's finest quality lies in its ability to allow the women to be real. "Rachel's Daughters" opens with scenes from a funeral, and then shifts to a home where each woman decides which researcher she will interview. Once in offices and labs across the country, they are, at times, nervous talking with the professionals.

Yet, the meetings are of utmost importance to them and the filmmakers capture this drive to get the information.

Glassow has her own experiences with the science and advocacy aspects of breast cancer. She served for two years on the board of the Oregon Breast Cancer Coalition, one year as vice-

president.

"I think a lot of people coming to (the screening) will have either their own stories or someone in their family will have breast cancer," she says. "They will just identify immediately with the fact that you want to know so much and if there's anything you can do, you're so willing to do it."

Glassow joined a support group at Sacred Heart in 1993, and finished in the summer of 1994.

"We didn't call ourselves 'breast cancer survivors,' because we aren't," she says. "We call ourselves 'women living with breast cancer."

Of the initial 18 in the group, six are now dead, she adds.

For Glassow, this event combines her two loves, film and people.

"This quote has been used so much that it's becoming a cliché, but Gloria Steinem said, 'The personal is political.' Many women are hesitant to talk about breast cancer because it's very personal to deal with deformity, let alone the thought of death."

Then Glassow adds her private thoughts. "I've gone from 'Oh my God, I may die sooner than I anticipated,' to 'Well, I'm going to go out doing something I want to do."

That something is being at the forefront of breast cancer advocacy — because she knows that in the time it takes you to read this article, at least one woman in the U.S. will have likely died from breast cancer.

Every 11 minutes, the disease claims another victim.

On May 15, Saraf and Light will show clips from their work and talk about filmmaking in Forum 307 from 3-4 p.m. "Rachel's Daughters" shows in the LCC Performance Hall, May 16 from 1-5 p.m. Both events are open to the public and free of charge. The film screening will be followed by a discussion with the filmmakers.

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THE TORCH

Softball club gaining respect

Jean Ranney Staff Writer

Lane's softball club finished out its season May 5 against Southwest Oregon Community College in a doubleheader, losing 5-3 and 11-3. The Titans ended the season with eight wins and 11 losses.

The Titans began their season overcoming many conflicts with

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everyone know how

much fun it is,"

-Heather West

scheduling games their division and late practices at 9 p.m. The team sometimes only had one pitcher on hand or

didn't have enough players to field a full team.

Still, the squad has a strong reputation around the Northwest. "A lot of four-year schools don't want to play us because they don't want to lose to a twoyear college, but we've played some of those schools and beaten them," says Christy Davids, director of Recreational Sports.

The student-funded club sport began three years ago. The coaches are volunteers and help raise money for the program by

> fundraising and soliciting donations

"(LCC's program) is a great addition to c l u b sports," Davids

says. "It's not just one of the popular sports, it's what the students

Roxann Reynolds, who pitched against SWOCC, also had two hits

in the first game of the doubleheader. Michelle Iglesias had a single and two RBIs.

Titan Head Coach Heather West hopes to take the team higher next year.

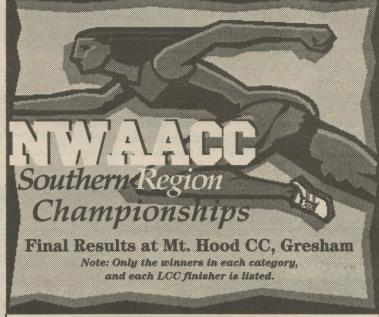
"I want to try to make softball a varsity sport so it can expand, increase awareness among students, and give them an opportunity to play ball," she says.

Students can enroll in softball as an independent class and play on the team.

The Titans take 12-13 players each year, although this year the team was limited to 11, with just one back-up pitcher.

"I just want to let everyone know how much fun it is," says West. "I love this game. I loved it as a player and as a coach. I like the strategy and mental aspect of

"(Softball) is such a great game and finally we're (gaining)



WOMEN

DISCUS — 1, Suzy Heldeman, Mt. Hood, 137-0. 2, Wendy Olson, LCC, 132-3. 4, Rachel Childers, LCC, 114-5. 5, Nikki Buscher, LCC, 112-6. TRIPLE JUMP — 1, Janeline Hayes, Clark, 35-9. 3, Allison Solarz, LCC, 34-9.75. **HAMMER THROW** — 1, Ondrea Morris, Chemeketa, 140-6. 8, Rachel Childers, LCC 110-10.

110 METER HURDLES — 1, Brooke Wilson, Clark, 15.30. 400 METER HURDLES — 1, Brooke Wilson, Clark, 1:05.15. 5, Allison Solarz, LCC, 1:11.91. 100 METERS — 1, Mariah Williams, LCC, 12.56. 4, Amy Werner, LCC, 13.11. **200 METERS** — 1, Danielle Fleming, LCC, 25.95. 6, Amy Werner, LCC, 27.30. 400 METERS -1, Amber Libby, Mt. Hood, 58.18. 2, Erica Harris, LCC, 58.22. 800 METERS — 1, Monice Van Wegen, LCC, 5:00.36. 3, Laura Glatze, LCC, 5:06.06 4, Erika Sparks, LCC, 5:07.36. 5,000 METERS — 1, Jennifer Rea, Clackamas, 18:57.95. 4x100 RELAY — 1, LCC, 48.81. 4X400 RELAY — 1, Clark, 3:56.58

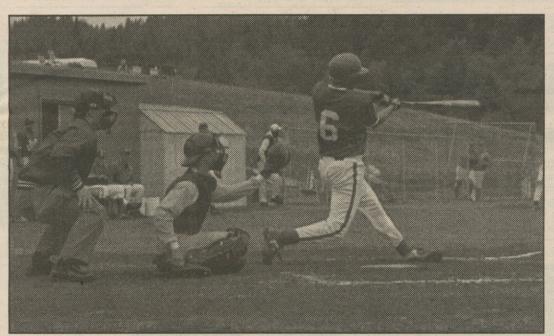
TEAM — Mt. Hood 212, Clark 203.5, LCC 149, Clackamas 102, Chemeketa 69, Linn Benton 27.5, Southwest Oregon 20, Lower Columbia 3.

MEN

SHOT PUT — 1, Richard Bailey, LCC, 48-11. JAVELIN — 1, Heath Fisher, Clackamas, 182-7. 6, Zeb Herincky, LCC, 155-9. HIGH JUMP — 1, Tony Butkovich, Clackamas, 6-2. 3, Ollie Gillespie, LCC, 6-2. TRIPLE JUMP — 1, Eric Butler, Mt. Hood, 45-4.25. 7, Ollie Gillespie, LCC, 41-1.75.

110 HIGH HURDLES — 1, Damien Davis, Clark, 14.96. 2, Chris Taylor, LCC, 15.38. 4, Billy Pappas, LCC, 15.50. 6, Spencer Lund, LCC, 15.80. 8, Rocky Simpson, LCC, 15.87. 400 INTER-MEDIATE HURDLES — 1, Robert Akil, Clark, 54.13. 2, Billy Pappas, LCC, 55.24. 100 METERS — 1, Kevin Hutchison, Clark, 11.03. 5, Damien Dawson, LCC, 11.37. 200 METERS — 1, Dante Betha, Clackamas, 21.91. 400 METERS — 1, Dante Betha, Clackamas, 48.14. 3, Phil Gamble, LCC, 49.07. 800 METERS -1, Greg O'Hair, Mt. Hood, 1:54.15. 4, James Perry, LCC, 1:58.30. 6, Aaron Long, LCC, 1:59.56 7, Brian Keady, LCC, 2:00.48. 1,500 METERS — 1, Andy Bradley, Clackamas, 3:59.55. 6, Brian Keady, LCC, 4:03.19. 7, Mat Hunnicut, LCC, 4:03.62. STEEPLECHASE - 1, Mike Thorniley, Mt. Hood, 9:47.34. 5,000 METERS — 1, Mike Thorniley, Mt. Hood, 15:22.61. 3, Tony Caywood, LCC, 15:31.44 4X100 RELAY - 1, Clark, 42.25. 3, LCC, 43.60. 4X400 **RELAY** — 1, Clackamas, 3:20.36.

TEAM — Clackamas 206, Mt. Hood 193, Clark 175, LCC 140, Chemeketa 57, Linn Benton 26, Southwest Oregon 1.





'Okay guys, where are we watching the final 'Seinfeld?'

No, no, no. Some people aren't even interested in Jerry and his gang's swan song. In fact, the LCC Titans discuss strategy during a meeting on the mound May 9 in a doubleheader against Linn-Benton. Whatever was said worked, because the team swept the Roadrunners 7-0 and 11-2. Above, Mark Hernandez raps out a hit in the same series.

LCC closes out its regular season May 14 with a pair of games against Chemeketa, weather permitting. photos by Garth Rystedt

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Voters from page 4

looking up, but the candidate was giving her a heavy "Vote for me" rap and afterwards was in her face every time he saw her.

Part of the milieu, it seemed; complaints, reasons and excuses.

The five people voting in the cafeteria during one particular hour were generally older and expressed feelings of civic duty, concern about housing or the Oregon Student Association. As Stephen Vennenaman put it, "I'm paying for this (education), I may as well have a say in what's going on."

Rich Stought said he voted against the OSA because he didn't think it would represent his beliefs. "I've already retired once and have had to pay my way through school. It's hard to see people handed things I've had to work for."

But does voting really mean representation?

Isn't the poor voter turnout at LCC a reflection of this country in general? The feeling that voting does not make a difference. That true representation does not really happen. That candidates, once in office, become involved with their own concerns and

the politics of the day-to-day power plays.

Between mid-terms, papers and other obligations, it's hard to keep track of the current issues and it's difficult to gauge what control the ASLCC student representatives actually have over those issues.

Most people attend LCC to improve their lives. They moved past the ballot boxes

and campaign tables, while political science majors and the ambitious cut their teeth for future projects.

Still, with less than 10 percent of the student population turning out, that left 90 percent unrepresented — by choice, yes. Does that weaken the voice of the body-elect? After all, how much clout can they really have with such poor backing?

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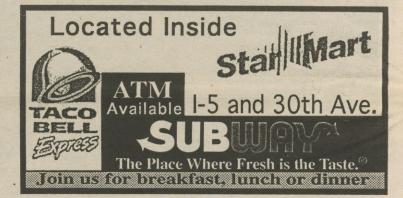
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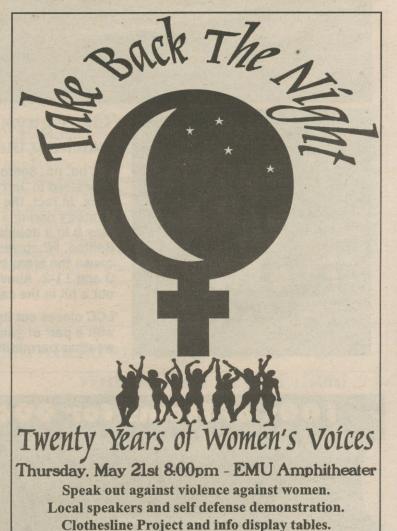
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