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Waiting for Mom



Photo by Sam Karp

In the warmth of the cafeteria on a snowy afternoon, Kate Marshall enjoys the company of her 5-month-old grandson, Colton, while they wait for his mother, Genevieve.

Lack of funding leads to budget cuts

Dale Deason

Staff Writer

Lane Community College is facing serious money problems beginning next year.

"The road ahead isn't just rocky, this is a giant boulder, maybe even a landslide," says Marie Matsen, LCC's vice-president for college operations.

College administrators have asked all departments to prepare for the possibility of a 10 percent reduction in their planned expenditures for the 2000/2001 school year.

The total LCC budget is about \$70 million for the current year.

Budget projections prepared by the vice-president's office show deficits of about \$1.6 million next year, \$3.4 million in 2001/2002, and then about \$2 million per year for the following three years. Since the college can't spend money it doesn't have or go into debt, the planned budgets will have to be cut by these amounts.

"The most immediate cause of this problem is inadequate funding from the state legislature," says Steve Candee, co-chair of LCC's Political and Governmental Action Team. "We're not getting a cost of living increase."

"Total state resources for LCC will increase only two percent over the next five years," says Matsen. "That's not two percent per year, that's two percent total."

The normal rate of cost inflation has been about 3.5 percent per year, according to Matsen. This is the rate of increase for such things as salaries and benefits, supplies, and utilities. Personnel costs make up about 65 percent of LCC's budget.

The college receives its funding from three primary sources: tuition and fees paid by the students, local property taxes, and appropriations by the state legislature.

"LCC has traditionally been well supported by the commu-

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Lane Memorial Blood Mobile wants your pint of red on Feb. 2

□ The Blood Mobile needs all blood types. Donors are urged to eat a protein-rich meal prior to yielding to the needle

Gloria Biersdorff

Managing Editor

The Lane Memorial Blood Bank hopes to gain 20 pints of blood from benevolent, well-fed LCC students and staff between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 2, when the Blood Mobile comes to LCC.

"We need every (qualifying person's) blood. Our need for blood

types varies from day to day, depending on what's being used in the hospitals," says Chris Stockdale, LMBB's donor recruiter.

Blood donors must be healthy, free of cold symptoms and antibiotics. Persons who have had a body piercing or tattoo within the last year are not eligible to give blood. Nor are persons weighing less than 110 pounds.

Stockdale stresses the importance of eating a substantive meal before donating blood, to curb such "nasty reactions" as faintness and nausea.

"It is absolutely essential that people eat a good meal, with protein — cheese, meat, eggs — before giv-

ing blood," she says. "A piece of last night's pizza with your big bowl of morning oatmeal should do it," she says.

"Students, especially, tend to think a donut is enough. One boy came to give blood, thinking a bagel was okay, since he'd put cream cheese on it. We sent him away, telling him to eat a real meal and come back."

Appointment information and the Blood Mobile location will be posted in the Jan. 27 issue of *The Torch*. For further information regarding the Lane Memorial Blood Bank and Blood Mobile, please contact Chris Stockdale at 484-9111.

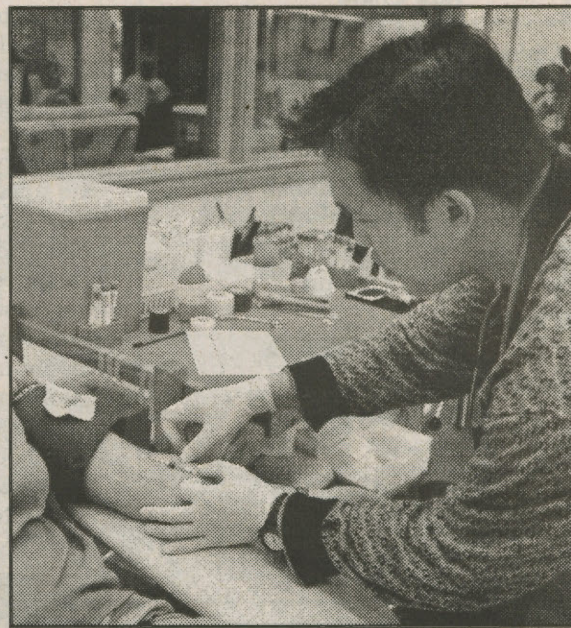


Photo by Jessica Barnes

Registered Nurse John Fonda draws blood from a donor.

Pro-Choice Coalition commemorates landmark ruling

Theya Harvey

News Editor

The Pro-Choice Coalition of Oregon commemorates the 27th anniversary of the US Supreme Court ruling in the Roe v. Wade abortion rights case on Thursday, Jan. 20.

A group of students from LCC and the UO's Students for Choice will travel to Salem to observe the anniversary of this landmark court decision.

This 1973 case, which arose in Texas, led to the ban of all laws which declared abortion illegal.

LCC student and Planned Parenthood Public Affairs Assistant, Renee DeLaurentis says this event is important in promoting awareness concerning reproductive health care and freedom.

"Even though Oregon is pro-choice, we are having to fight harder and harder to keep it that way," she says. "We re-

ally need people to be more aware of that and not take it for granted."

The Salem event officially begins at 7 p.m. at the First Congressional Church. It is open to the public.

The program includes music and a candlelight vigil. State Representative Kitty Percy and Governor John Kitzhaber will be among those to light candles at the vigil. Twenty-seven notable Oregon figures will make brief

statements as they each light a ceremonial candle, one for every year since the Roe v. Wade ruling. DeLaurentis says that this segment of the ceremony is emotional for many participants and observers who feel strongly about the issue.

"It's always a moving event. It's touching. People are brought to tears by it," she says.

Kitzhaber will be recognized and honored with the Judge Blackman Award for his com-

mitment to the pro-choice movement.

Eugene hosted a ceremony similar to this two years ago for the 25th anniversary of the Roe v. Wade ruling.

While protesters will most likely be present, event organizers are anticipating a peaceful evening with several participants.

"A lot of people have been invited. We are expecting a pretty big turnout," says DeLaurentis.

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'Shared Governance' could be the solution to under-representation

As stuffy as the moniker may sound, the concept of "shared governance" seems pretty groovy.

After all, everyone wants to have a say in the decision-making processes that are going to directly affect them. Right?

That seems to be the idea behind the "shared governance" concept at Lane Community College — students, administrators, faculty and staff members, classified and non-classified alike, all playing active roles in determining the course of the college, with opportunities to share their perceptions of their roles within the institution.

Right on! What a democratic notion. Lane seems committed to the cause, using it as a buzz word and goal for more than ten years. It's the sole agenda topic for the Jan. 21-22 Board of Education Retreat.

The board retreat, exclusive as it may sound, is actually a public meeting in the LCC Board Room, planned as a participatory event with invited college representatives.

The seven Board of Education members will attend, as will President Jerry Moskus; Vice Presidents Marie Matsen, Mary Spilde and Larry Warford; LCC Education Association President Margaret Bayless; LCC Employees Federation President Alen Bahret; ASLCC President Choul Wou;

and Board Secretary Tracy Simms.

Friday evening's agenda is dedicated to Governance Review:

- Review the levels of governance
 - Review the roles of Classified/Faculty/College Councils
 - Review the college decision-making process
 - Review internal processes to bring issues before the board
- Saturday's session, scheduled to meet from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., will include the above participants, along with an additional dozen or so College Council members.
- Saturday's agenda focuses on definitions of **Shared Governance**:
- Use of negative terminology within Executive Limitations
 - Decision-making impasse
 - Management Philosophy
 - Policy statement development (Breakout Groups)
 - Implementation procedure —



Commentary by
Tonya Alanez

Editor in Chief

Board discussion

While reviewing the retreat agenda at the Jan. 12 board meeting, board members discussed the noticeable under-representation of the three largest segments of the campus community — faculty, classified staff and students.

So, the board voted to invite one more representative from each group to the retreat, while indicating a desire for participants to specify their perceived roles within the system, along with ideas or proposed structural changes.

The willingness of board members to commit 10, or more, hours in two days to this subject sends a promising message to the LCC community. It has the appearance of a progressive step in a positive direction.

With many big decisions on Lane Community College's horizon this retreat provides an opportunity for stakeholders to get involved in the decision-making process, a legitimate chance to communicate and share visions for the future.

Shared governance is a worthy, albeit idealistic, notion deserving of sincere consideration. The actual implementation of such an enormous structural change could provide quite a challenge. In the meantime, let's hope the college is able to devise governance proposals considerate of all those involved.

Remembering The Torch's first adviser

Former LCC Counselor Pauline Dixon died Jan. 9 while in Clovis, N.M. She was 93.

She worked at LCC from 1965 to 1972, after years of teaching in public schools.

In a Jan. 17 memorial service in Eugene, family members shared anecdotes about Dixon's life. One story revealed that at about age 10 she had a burning desire to start a newspaper at her Eastern Oregon school. The result of her organizational and writing efforts was a mimeographed sheet that earned honors in a statewide contest.

Ironically, 50 years later, in addition to her counseling duties at Lane, Pauline Dixon was given the responsibility of helping students begin a



Pauline Dixon

yearbook and a monthly campus paper. The first nameplate at the top of the paper's front page called it, *Name The Newspaper*. After a campus poll, the second and succeeding issues were known as *The Torch*.

"It must have been a tough thing to start a paper because there was nothing before it, nothing to go on," says current LCC Board of Education member Larry Romine who later succeeded Dixon in the advising job.

"She certainly was enthusiastic about her role. She was always smiling, happy, trying to be helpful. She was a kind, loving person."

John Lively, mayor of Springfield from 1980-86 and currently director of facilities and corporate communications

at Hyundai Semiconductor in Eugene, was the editor of the first LCC yearbook in 1965-66.

He says he remembers Dixon for her three special gifts:

"First, for her patience: We were starting everything from scratch and we all came from different backgrounds. Pauline helped us learn to work together.

"Second, she was a very good teacher: She taught us how to do the work while also allowing us to be creative.

"And third, she was a real advocate for us, especially with the college administration. She took care of things so we could learn as much as we could."

Current LCC students didn't know Pauline Dixon. But we continue to benefit nevertheless for her "taking care of things" 35 years ago. And we thank her.

Letters To The Editor:

Warning: Take initiative or lose

Students, take notice of Bill Sizemore's initiative on the upcoming ballot; if it passes it will have a devastating impact on your pocket-books.

Loser in the last Gubernatorial campaign, Bill Sizemore is pimping an initiative for the November ballot that could be the worst thing for college students in a decade.

Sizemore's initiative would cut over \$1.66 billion out of the general fund during the 2001-2003 biennium, approximately a 14 percent cut.

The measure would go into effect after November 2000. With only eight months left in the 1999-2001 biennium, the state would see \$1 billion of almost \$4 billion in budget cuts. That represents a 25 percent cut to the state's services over that time.

Undoubtedly tuition would rise. It could rise as high as \$500 mid-year. This would force many students out of school. Also program offerings will be cut to make room for budget cuts.

I am so sick and tired of letting Bill Sizemore run our state. I was a peer advisor in college when Ballot measure Five passed. I saw dozens of people forced out of school because

they could not afford the mid-year \$501 increase in tuition. I witnessed the students who had to leave OSU and UO due to program cuts and faculty layoffs.

Students must stand up and be counted. We have to stand up to Sizemore and tell him we have had enough. Help students register to vote. Learn about this measure and defeat Sizemore.

Ed Dennis, Executive Director of the Oregon Student Association, "A coalition of Student Governments Since 1975"

Women's day workshops tap LCC's rich career resources for women

Theya Harvey
News Editor

The LCC Women's Program is preparing for the 11th annual Women's Day at Lane, featuring a series of workshops including Career Planning Resources, Job Trends, Technical Careers for Women, Getting Started at Lane, Introducing Computers and Fitness for Women.

The event will take place on Saturday, Jan. 29 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Women's Program Administrative Specialist Patsy Raney says, "It's a one-stop way of finding out a lot of information."

Raney says the program is open to women on campus and in the community.

"It's a way to get women on campus in a friendly, supportive environment," she says.

Raney says she expects anywhere from 200-400 participants, based on turn-out from previous years.

Women's Center Coordinator Jill Bradley says that approximately 50 women have registered for this year's Women's Day.

"The students really like it. It's a real high energy day. Everyone who



Photo by Eli Trompeter

Work-study student Shoshanna Crow registers Katie Hamaker for LCC's 11th annual Women's Day, Jan. 29.

works on it is tired, but they are having a lot of fun," says Bradley.

"We came up with this idea 11 years ago as a way of giving women a lot of information regarding what is available to them on campus in a very short time."

Registration forms for Women's Day are available in the Women's Center in the Center

Room 213. Participants may fill out a registration form and turn it in at the center or may register over the phone.

Free child care and Spanish translation will also be available to those who attend the event.

The registration deadline for Women's Day is Jan. 25. For more information call 747-4501 ext. 2353.

Student run nursery to beautify campus

Lane Fricke
Staff Writer

Work study students are doing their part to help create a better environment for humans and insects.

The Bond Project team is including in its college facelift an on-campus nursery to provide plants for landscaping around new and existing buildings, Monarch butterfly habitats, and a wetland memorial tree grove.

"Our goal is to make this more of a showcase for the community," says Frank Drengacz, grounds keeper for Facilities Management and Planning.

"The first step in the nursery project is to build a greenhouse on the west end of campus near the new daycare facilities. Construction students will assemble the structure which will take about four weeks to complete at a cost of around \$17,000, says Drengacz.

"We won't do it, the students will," he says.

Botany students will cultivate all of the plants for campus landscaping from seed and cuttings. There is a possibility, says Drengacz, of reviving the landscaping program at LCC.

Drengacz included several Monarch butterfly habitats in his plans for new plant beds to help boost the numbers of the dwindling species of butterfly. The habitats will mainly consist of milkweed, the Monarch's source of food and shelter, but will also include wildflowers to attract other species of butterflies, says Drengacz.

To start with, he says five or

six habitats will be spread around campus. They will be located at the new Science Building, on the wood deck between the Business and Administration Buildings, and between the Math/Art and Air Technology Buildings.

The landscaping plans include a memorial tree grove and wetland. Students helped remove three trees in all, which will be used in the memorial grove, to make way for new buildings. The grove is to be located between the new Science Building and the Apprenticeship Annex on the south side of campus, says Drengacz.

"In five years, this will be an entirely different campus," Drengacz says.



Photo by Drew Laiche

A deciduous tree joins an existing evergreen in the new Memorial Grove.

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Simulcast locks viewers into an addict's world

Gloria Biersdorff
Managing Editor

"But she's shaking on that back street line, like a loose cannon, ashamed to explode." —Martin Sexton, from "Candy," Black Sheep CD.

Heroin, crank, ice, pot. Smoke a little or a lot.

In between highs, hard drug addicts' bodies and psyches lose considerable ground. They can become walking time-bombs, violent and paranoid until the last fix kills them.

A host of officials convened at a press conference Jan. 13 to urge the public to tune in Sunday, Jan. 23, to Lane County's first-ever simulcast by the area's T.V. networks. The 90 minute special will consist of a telecast community town hall meeting focused on drug abuse and how to combat it, concluding with a 30-minute broadcast of Crime Prevention Resources' film "Drug Wars; One Family's battle."

Marijuana, claim many



Photo by Gloria Biersdorff

Jamie, a recovering drug addict, gives her testimony at a press conference promoting the documentary, "Drug War: One Family's Battle."

Lane County civic authorities, is the "gateway drug" that can kickstart young users up a mountain of short-lived, heroin- or meth-induced highs that soon lead to addiction.

Tom Monson, founder of CPR, says, "(The film) demonstrates how destructive behavior affects the whole family, so when a user says, 'I'm only

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Students in the International Student Community Program will hit the slopes at Willamette Pass Jan. 29 for winter fun. Shown are members of the ISCP during last year's snow excursion.

Winter fun for everyone

Nina Rich

Staff writer

Lane Community College's International Student Community Program is sponsoring a ski and snowboard trip at a great price for anyone looking for a day of fun in the snow.

Not only does the Willamette Pass trip include bus transportation and lift ticket, but equipment rentals, snacks, and lessons for first-timers are included in the deal. Prices range from \$20-\$60 for LCC students, and \$25-\$65 for others.

Program Coordinator Colby

Sheldon says, "The trip has been done for many years and has become a fine-tuned program to make the most of our day."

She says the trip is an effort to mix different cultures and create a new experience for all. "It's fun to watch and see their reactions to the new experience."

Some of her students had never seen snow until just the other day, when a light flurry dusted the campus. She recalls one student referring to it as "white rain."

International student Yohei Inoue attended the trip for the first time last year and recalls a

wet and rainy day. He says the trip was a lot of fun and this year he plans to try snowboarding.

Inoue believes the first-timer lessons will not only teach him a thing or two, but will enable him to meet new friends as well.

Students will meet at LCC's NE parking lot at 6:15 a.m. They expect to return by 6:30 p.m. If transportation to the college is a problem, contact Colby Sheldon at ext. 2165. Students who are interested must register for the Saturday, Jan. 29 ski trip by 3 p.m. Jan. 21 in Room 414 of the Center Building.

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nity," says Candee. "The source of the problem is Ballot Measure Five which reduced property tax revenue."

The ballot measure changed the relative importance of the different funding sources. "State funding is much more important than before Measure Five," says Matsen.

Not only has state funding become a more important part of LCC's budget, the funds are not divided equally among the state's 17 two-year institutions. Some community colleges receive more per student than others. Even though the state legislature re-

cently increased statewide support for community colleges by about six percent, very little of that increase is coming to LCC.

The money is distributed according to an "equalization" formula that is written into state law. The formula favors the state's newer, smaller, more rapidly growing colleges over the more established campuses like LCC. During the 2000/2001 school year, for example, Oregon Coast Community College in Newport will receive about \$500 more per student than LCC.

What about increasing tuition? This approach could backfire. State

funding is based on enrollment — the more students enrolled, the more money comes in from the state. If a tuition increase reduced the number of students who could afford to attend, state funding would decrease. The net effect of a tuition increase, thus, could be that the college would end up with less income than before.

LCC is entering a period of belt-tightening and tough decision-making. Costs are growing while income is not. With no cost of living increases in the college's income, the inevitable inflation in some expenditures will lead to inevitable decreases in others.

Board calls for 'Litmus test' for travel expenses

Tonya Alanez

Editor in Chief

Expenses, funding, and the concept of "shared governance" dominated the agenda of the Jan. 12 Board of Education meeting.

A pre-meeting work session focused on college staff travel and expense reimbursements and the use of paid consultants. Vice President of Operations Marie Matsen presented an overview of the results of an internal study of travel and consultant expenses conducted at the request of the board.

Board member Mike Rose asked, "At a time when we need to cut expenses why do we need to send more than two board members or administrators to national conferences and conventions?"

Emphasizing the need for a more stringent procedural guideline board member George Alvergue added, "In all travel ... the 'Litmus Test' should be to ask ourselves: 'How does this help to better the education of students?'"

Board member Larry Romine articulated his own — and what appeared to be the entire board's — impression of the study, saying, "The gross figures seem high and there doesn't seem to be enough accountability."

Expressing dissatisfaction and describing the figures as "disquieting," board member Ralph Wheeler said, "I would like to challenge Jerry (Moskus) and the staff to cut (the figures) substantially."

Wishing to clarify the wishes of the board, President Moskus summarized the board's request in two points:

- Look at the inequities in the travel budget and propose ways to address it.

- Develop procedural criteria to apply institution-wide for travel decisions, and when to hire consultants.

In other business, board member Rose presented an amendment to a resolution adopted by the Portland Community College Board of Directors in an effort to unify relations among two-year public colleges statewide. Relations which have been clouded by financial difficulties in recent years.

The resolution, which was submitted to the Board of the Oregon Community College Association in October, stipulates that any community college that goes to the legislature and receives special, individual funding will have that money deducted.

The LCC board voted to amend the resolution to provide for a non-retroactive appeal process due to the lack of specific language addressing legitimate needs of individual colleges in the initial resolution.

A retreat planned for Jan. 21-22 to examine "shared governance" provided discussion for the remainder of the meeting.

While reviewing the retreat agenda, board members acknowledged the noticeable under-representation of the three largest groups on campus — faculty, classified staff and students. The board voted 5-2 to add one more representative from each group to the roster. Board members Hall and Kathleen Shelley were the dissenting voters.

The public retreat is planned as a participatory meeting among board members and guests, who ideally represent the various facets of the college community. The agenda for the retreat focuses on the concept of "shared governance" within the college. Board members expressed a desire for invited staff members to specify their perceived roles within the system, along with ideas or proposed structural changes.

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Dental Hygiene instructor Sharon Dupree peers into a patient's mouth, evaluating student Star Brigg's periodontal work.

'Ideal Patients' sought

Dale Deason
Staff Writer

For some, this would be their worst nightmare: a room crowded with 15 dental chairs, 15 patients on their backs — mouths open wide — and 15 white-coated students flashing cold steel.

For others, it could be a god-send: free dental evaluations and teeth cleaning for \$25 (\$20 for seniors, \$10 for kids). With x-rays, the maximum bill, \$40.

"We are the real deal," says Sharon Hagan, program coordinator for LCC's Dental Hygiene Program that trains both hygienists and dental assistants. The more advanced students, closely supervised by a dentist and by LCC instructors, need real people to work on.

"We need all the patients we can get," says Hagan.

The program, which is screening for prospective patients this month, offers a free dental evaluation to anyone who calls the clinic phone number,

726-2206.

For their part in the arrangement, selected patients must recognize that they are involved in an educational program where student learning is a primary goal.

Teeth cleaning might take three times as long as in a community dentist's office, and require more than one appointment, even though the total cost is still \$25.

Hagan describes the "ideal patient" as a low-income adult over 30 who has not received regular dental care, and is suffering from gum disease.

In periodontal disease, the gum tissue recedes to expose more of the tooth. Frequently, there is bleeding and, in advanced cases, bone loss. It is common in older adults who have not received regular teeth cleaning. Hagan says that smokers are more likely to be affected. Many who have the disease don't realize it.

"It's a silent condition," she says.

Gain valuable paid experience as a Student Service Associate for LCC

Jim Brougher
Staff Writer

The counseling department is getting ready to hire 10-12 new student service associates for next year to help enhance the counseling department and the services they are able to provide.

"We are looking for people who like helping people, who have strong communication, problem-solving and teamwork skills, with a commitment to training and learning," says Beth Swank, student associate supervisor.

The primary job of an SSA is to make it easier for new LCC students to become old LCC students, says Swank. The SSAs do this by locating information about jobs (referrals, listings, etc.) and scholarships for students, and by helping students through the registration and enrollment process during the fall term. They also help with program orientations, give campus tours, help students with re-

sumes and most anything that might benefit their fellow students' quests for an education.

Included with the feeling of a job well done, the SSAs receive an hourly wage (as there are work/study and non-work/study positions in the program) and, interestingly enough, most of the skills that the Counseling Department is looking for are the ones that are most enhanced through the program. Students would also gain experience with computers, and other valuable training and experience that would be useful to any career, says Swank.

"It's a real supportive team," says Cindy Gaddis, currently an SSA, who feels that the biggest benefit she received by being in the program was the relationships she developed with other students, and staff.

Plus, "The support staff is real fun because they always have candy!" Marcia Prinz a second year SSA says, "It's just really good for people who like people."

Both Gaddis and Prinz became SSAs largely because of the help they received from the program when they were first starting here.

Swank also says that this program needs people from all majors, cultures, etc. in order to best represent the diversity in LCC's student body.

Students interested in becoming an SSA, or in learning more about this program, should inquire at the Career and Employment Services, located in the Center Building room 210. The

first informational meeting will be January 26, and the second will be February 9.

"I think there is something wonderful about ...students helping students," says Swank.

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Brynn Anderson works on a pottery project for her ceramics class, Art 251, the second in a three-course series.

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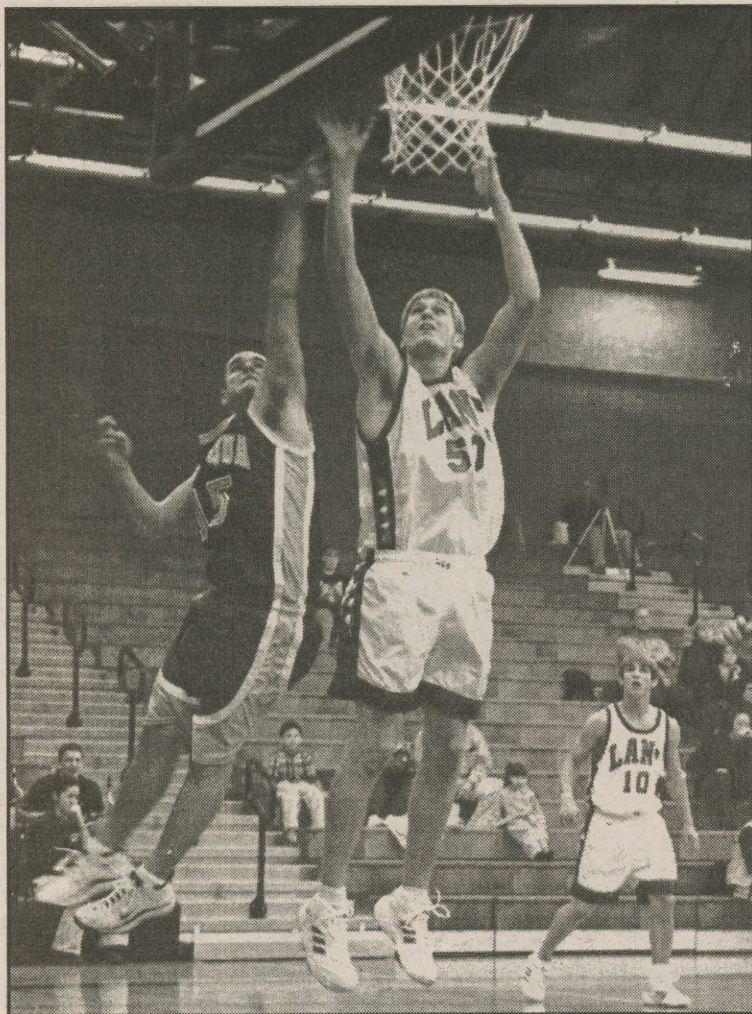
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Marty Miller (white) scored 10 points and grabbed nine boards in the 85-72 Titan victory over Umpqua.

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Titans finding their rhythm

Chris Brown

Sports Editor

For the second consecutive Saturday night, Lane's men's basketball team narrowly escaped with a one point win, following up a 13-point victory three nights prior.

On Jan. 13, Lane defeated Umpqua 85-72 and then came its 62-61 nail-biter over Clackamas.

The Titans record now stands at 3-1 in the league and 11-4 overall. They are 4-2 in games decided by four points or less.

"The biggest difference (between winning and losing close games) has been our three point shooting, 45 percent compared to 43 (percent) overall," says Head Coach Jim Boutin.

It was Bryan Peterson's quickness and Tennison Tripple's continued marksmanship that carried Lane against the Umpqua Timbermen. They combined to score all 13 points in a key 13-2 run that gave Lane its largest lead of the first half, 31-17.

Tripple, who made 10 of 12 from three-point range in his last outing, drilled two more and Peterson curled around a Gus Nadelhoffer screen to bury a three

of his own and then outran the defense for two easy lay-ups.

But Umpqua closed out the final 4:26 of the half — outscoring Lane 10-2 cutting the Titans lead to three, 35-32.

After halftime, the Titans went in front by 12, 60-48 with Peterson's second three-pointer of the half. He's averaging 18 points per game in league play.

"Bryan's making better decisions," Boutin said. "He's our best athlete, no question."

Umpqua wouldn't go away easily and cut the Titan advantage to four on Elijah Jackson's three-point play, 63-59 with just under nine minutes to play. Jackson led UCC with 20 points.

With the defense converging upon him, Tripple found a wide-open Peterson, who laid it up and in, to seal Umpqua's fate. It made the score 79-65 with only 2:45 left to play.

Tripple finished with 28 points, on 7-10 from beyond the arc, to go along with five rebounds and five assists. Peterson added 25 points and five boards.

Three nights later, the Cougars, from Clackamas CC, came to Eugene. Lane played smothering de-

fense, holding CCC to 29 percent (7/24) from the floor in the first half.

The first eight minutes were close and then TJ Caughell and Peterson hit back-to-back threes as Lane scored 15 straight points giving the team a 28-14 lead.

The Titans led 40-24 at halftime on Caughell's fadeaway three-pointer from the right corner. He made all three of his three point attempts in the half.

Peterson scored 13 points, but Tripple only scored two, going 0-4 from the floor.

"It was one of the greatest halves in the last nine years!" exclaimed Boutin.

The second half was not as great. Nadelhoffer picked up his fourth foul nine seconds in and the offense struggled with him on the bench.

"He's (Nadelhoffer) the stabilizer, he's very consistent, and the physical presence on our team," Boutin said.

LCC started the first 8:06 without a point. Finally, Miller managed to convert an offensive board into an easy basket ending the Clackamas' streak at See TITANS page 8

Titan women's comeback falls short once more

Chris Brown

Sports Editor

The Lane women's basketball team's losing streak is now at five, but the upcoming schedule should bring some much-needed relief. After playing its last five games against the top four teams in the Southern Division, its next three opponents, Portland CC, Mount Hood CC, and Linn-Benton CC have records of 2-15, 6-12, and 7-10 respectively.

On Jan. 12, Lane hosted the Umpqua Timberwomen. At one point, Umpqua held a 23-point lead, but Lane fought back, cutting the deficit to seven, only to lose 75-65.

On Jan. 15, Lane fell behind Clackamas CC early and was unable to recover, losing 78-60.

LCC is now 5-11 overall and 0-5 in league competition.

Top-ranked Umpqua was expected to blow out the Lady Titans, with its record at 15-0 and nine of its 11 players 5' 11" or taller.

But Lane hung tough the first 10 minutes with a zone defense, hoping to counteract the Timberwomen's size advantage.

With 10:36 left in the half, Christina Cabo knocked down a three off a good look from Emma

Roth to pull LCC to 18-15.

Then came a highly controversial "strategic" move. Umpqua left 6' 3" Lauren Marshall at its offensive end of the court, leaving the other four women to play defense.

This drew an immediate reaction from LCC coach Sheley who says, "They were showing a lack of respect to us."

UCC continued with this strategy for the next eight minutes, outscoring LCC 18-9. Everytime LCC scored or Umpqua rebounded, UCC threw a "homerun" ball down to Marshall, who scored 12.

Richard Stricklin, UCC's as-

sistant coach said, "(Marshall) has a broken foot and can't run. We're trying to get her ready for Chemeketa (on Jan. 15). If she runs, her ankle swells."

Marshall was wearing a protective sock so it seemed to corroborate Stricklin, but in the second half she played 7:28 and moved around pretty well.

During an LCC possession, Sheley told Marshall, "You're better than that." Her reaction indicated that none of this was her own doing.

In the second half with 12:00 left on the clock and trailing by 23, Lane staged its comeback. A 23-6 run over the next 7:43 trimmed the deficit to six. Cabo hit three three-pointers.

Despite numerous opportunities the Lady Titans couldn't get closer. UCC hit six of eight free throws down the stretch to ice it.

Cabo's 16 points led Lane with 4-7 from beyond the arc. Jennifer Hedges and Roth each totaled 15, but LCC was out-rebounded 49-32 and shot only 22 of 62 (36 percent) from the floor.

A 17-5 run by Clackamas broke open a close contest early. The Cougars increased their lead to 42-17 at the intermission as Lane made only 21.4 percent (6/28) from the floor in the first half.

Taralee Suppah tried to keep the Lady Titans within striking distance. Her three-point play cut the Cougar edge to 17, 33-50, but there was no comeback.

Clackamas led by as much as 25 and won easily, 78-60.

LCC was out-rebounded again, this time 52-32. Suppah scored 16 to pace LCC. Erin Smith tallied 12 and Roth added 11 and grabbed six boards.

Scores & Schedules

Scores

Men:

Jan. 12 — Lane defeated Umpqua 85-72
Jan. 15 — Lane defeated Clackamas 62-61

Women:

Jan. 12 — Umpqua defeated Lane 75-65
Jan. 15 — Clackamas defeated Lane 78-60

Schedule

Jan. 22 — Lane @ Mount Hood CC in Gresham, Ore.
Men @ 6 p.m. / Women @ 8 p.m.

Jan. 26 — Lane vs. Linn-Benton CC @ Lane
Men @ 6 p.m. / Women @ 8 p.m.

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Waiting for Waiting for Godot

Lane Fricke
Staff Writer

Anyone who has been waiting for "Waiting for Godot" will find solace in knowing that the wait is over.

The LCC Performing Arts Department will stage Samuel Beckett's epitome of absurdist theater, beginning Jan. 21. The play will run for three weekends in January and February at the Blue Door Theatre.

The play focuses on two clown-tramps named Estragon (Daniel Durrant) and Vladimir (Steve Mandell) who are waiting for Mr. Godot. The pair knows very little of Godot, why they are waiting for him or how long they will have to wait. Pozzo (Shannon Poole) and his servant, Lucky (John Ormsbee) stumble upon the tramps midway through each act. A young boy, played by Heather Carter, enters at the end of each scene acting as a messenger sent by Godot.

"For me this play is the essence of life stripped of the everyday specifics," says director Patrick Torelle. "These two clowns are ourselves without the house, car and 2.5 children."

Torelle, whose first experiences with "Godot" came from performing the play as a replacement to Methodist and Unitarian sermons in Portland in the late sixties, says it will be different from many other performances, since the LCC cast will perform in-the-round.

The hard part was maintaining a picture for the audience



Photo by Daniel Beraldo

Estragon (Daniel Durrant) and Vladimir (Steve Mandell) feel Lucky's (John Ormsbee) wrath in Samuel Beckett's tragicomedy, "Waiting for Godot."

who could lose the actors' faces or movements, depending on where they are sitting in the theater, says Torelle.

He says the play was originally scripted with Pozzo sitting a large part of the time, but to keep it interesting, Torelle keeps him moving so the entire audience can feel his presence.

Torelle likes The Blue Door

Theatre, because it gets the audience close to the action and into the emotion of what's happening in front of them. He says the simplicity of Beckett's play will help the audience focus on the philosophical level.

Tickets should be purchased in advance to ensure seating. Contact the LCC ticket office on weekday afternoons at 726-2202.

Lord Leebrick play benefits HIV Alliance

Casey Jarman
A&E Editor

The Lord Leebrick Theatre will present the play "Lonely Planet" from Jan. 20 through Feb. 12, contributing 15% of profits from all shows to the Lane County HIV Alliance, a non-profit organization in the grips of a budget crisis.

"Lonely Planet" is a two-man play about friends trying to survive in a world of frightening uncertainty. Though the play is not specific in its dealings with AIDS, there is a clear subtext addressing the epidemic. The play may sound dark, but it is not all drama.

"First off, ("Lonely Planet") is a great piece of theatre," says Randy Lord, artistic director of the Lord Leebrick Theatre and actor in the play. "I certainly wouldn't call it a tragedy. It certainly has that element, but if anything it's more of a dark comedy."

The AIDS issue, Lord adds, "has been pushed to the back burner for some

time. It's important for people to know that it's not over. It is still a raging disease that kills thousands and thousands of people."

A general feeling of apathy towards HIV/AIDS in the United States has contributed to a widespread funding crisis for not-for-profit AIDS support groups, such as the HIV Alliance of Lane County.

On Oct. 5, 1999, the HIV Alliance learned that a \$500,000 federal grant it had expected to receive was canceled. The alliance will not receive a half million dollar grant for Housing Opportunities for people with HIV/AIDS in Lane County.

The cuts have forced the Alliance to lay off and reduce hours for employees, suspend financial assistance to community members for housing needs, end lunch programs for people with HIV/AIDS. Cuts have also led to the closure of the Acorn Center, a gathering place and safe house for

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Lonely Planet

By Steven Dietz



A&E Calendar



Magical Thursday

On Thursday, Jan. 20, the kids from Magical Thursdays are hosting a DJ Dance (it's a rave, folks) at the WOW Hall. Flux (San Francisco), Silver (Eugene), and flutterby (Portland) will be spinning records upstairs, while Joel Crane, Schlep, and Ms. Hap (all from Eugene) will host the downstairs, 21+ portion of the dance. Starts at 8 p.m. and runs until 1 a.m. \$6 - The infoline is (541) 710-4668.

The Lesbian-Gay-Bisexual-Transgender Student group at LCC will be holding an Art Exhibit from Feb. 14-25 in the Women's Center, located on the 4th floor of the Center Building. The group is calling for submissions from LGBT LCC students, which can be given to

the LGBTSA from Feb. 8-10. A reception for the artwork will be held Wed., Feb. 16 from 3 to 4 p.m. in the Women's Center. For more information, students can contact the Women's Center or Patsy at 747-4501 ext. 2353.

Kitka is coming! The nine-women ensemble performs some crazy vocal techniques from Eastern Europe, in every language from Albanian, Bosnian, to Yiddish and Ancient Greek. Kitka hails from the Bay Area, and their voices have been featured in movies like Jacob's Ladder, Braveheart, and the group's own acclaimed albums. The group

will grace the WOW Hall stage on Saturday, Jan. 22 at 8 p.m. The show is \$14 in advance or at the door.

Wanna go to the Opera but you don't know what they are singing about? Well, The Hult Center is presenting Opera classic "The Marriage of Figaro" on Friday, Feb. 4, 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, Feb. 6, 2:30 p.m. Before you go, why not find out what is going on, Tuesday, Feb. 1 from 5:30-6:30 at Adam's Place (30 E. Broadway).

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LCC's Most Influential People: Part Three

The list of auspicious contributors to Lane's success includes many administrators, instructors, staff, and students. Three instructors, **Betty James, John Klobas, and Sheila Juba**, along

with a former Torch editor, **Karen Irmsher** are honored this week for their courage, charisma, passion, and vision. These individuals are just a few of many exemplary LCC community builders.

Nominations continue to be welcome. Please write or e-mail the editor (torch@lanec.edu) with the nominee's name, position or role, and memorable or inspirational contributions to the college.

Betty James, retired Business instructor, 1969 to 1992

"Betty was the first to recognize the potential of the Downtown Center as a facility for training the handicapped and disadvantaged students. When Betty established the program in the downtown center there was a recognized need for programs, but very little had been done in any organized effort. Her programs became the core of the college's later efforts in other disciplines for individualized instruction. The Oregon Department of Education continually looked to her for leadership, policies and procedures; (The ODE) funded her programs in the downtown center for close to a half million dollars. There have to be hundreds of successful individuals that are a direct reflection on Betty and her visions. Betty has to be considered as one of the greatest teachers and visionaries the college has had."

— Dave Backman, Retired Oregon Department of Education and Jack Kreitz, Retired Chair Business

John Klobas, retired Social Science instructor, 1966 to 1998

"He had hundreds of students. He changed their lives quite a bit. He did wonders for numerous people. Definitely a character — he looked like a little Santa Claus."

— Bette Dorris, ASLCC secretary and former ASLCC leader

Sheila Juba, retired English instructor, 1966 to 1990

"Outstanding teacher, and one of my mentors here at LCC. Her passion for her students and the subjects she taught, and her ever-practical advice on how to teach and not lose one's sanity made her invaluable to us all."

— Susan Glassow, long-time English instructor

Karen Irmsher, Torch editor, 1985-86

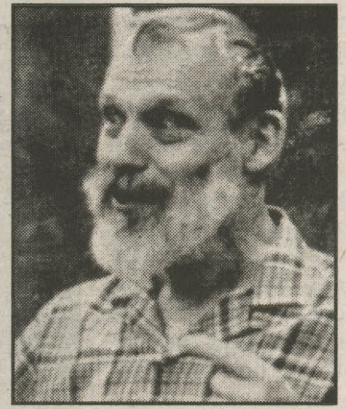
"When Richard Turner was LCC president — often creating a climate of confusion, fear and intimidation on this campus — and when the Board of Education seemed to be in denial, student editor Karen Irmsher wrote fair, accurate news stories documenting many of the issues. And on the editorial page, she dared to say what a lot of LCC staff members could not — that secret decision-making and the resulting paranoia had nearly paralyzed this institution. Irmsher was a courageous journalist."

— Pete Peterson, Torch news and editorial adviser

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Betty James



John Klobas



Sheila Juba



Karen Irmsher

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hurting myself,' he or she can see that this just isn't true. Additionally, it shows how gateway drugs like marijuana, alcohol, and tobacco can lead to deadlier drug use.

"Finally, when it comes time to decide to use or not, youngsters will have accurate information to help them make the right decision. And we better do something ...

because we are losing the war on drugs."

LCC is one of the simulcast's primary sponsors. Garry Oldham, LCC Chemical Dependency Counselor, says she and Substance Abuse Prevention Coordinator Mark Harris were approached by CPR to review "Drug Wars: One Family's Battle."

Oldham says she appreciates the idea of the media

collaborating to hone in on the drug problem.

"(The film) focused on heroin. We have almost an epidemic now. Over 130 people O.D.ed in the state last year. We used to think of heroin as a minority, inner city drug. It's much cheaper, much stronger than in the past, and what I've become aware of is that we used to never hear about kids (on heroin). Now I see those kids."

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members of the community with HIV / AIDS.

"We recognize that (The HIV Alliance) rely on this kind of funding," Lord says, "it goes directly to services they provide. They are in the business of keeping people alive."

While it is unlikely that the Alliance will find sources to cover all of its lost funding, the Lord Leebrick Theatre hopes to lend a helping hand with profits from "Lonely Planet."

Lonely Planet plays at the Lord Leebrick Theatre Jan. 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29 and Feb. 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12 at 8 p.m. There are two Sunday Matinees, on Jan. 30 and Feb. 6 at 2 p.m. Thursday and Sunday performances will have discussions afterward with a member of the HIV Alliance and the cast. Tickets are \$11 Thursday and Sunday, \$15 on Fridays and Saturdays. Reserve tickets early at 465-1506.

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15. The Cougars only trailed 40-39.

Tripple followed by swishing a three and 19 seconds later Nadelhoffer picked up his fifth foul on a questionable call, ending his evening prematurely.

Then Tripple hit another three and an acrobatic lay-up to give the Titans a 50-42 edge with 7:53 remaining in the game.

Clackamas again responded cutting Lane's lead to one, 57-56. Peterson scored the Titans final five points, drilling three along with a driving lay-up.

Mike Fisher, who led CCC with 19 points, had a chance to tie the game, but only made the first of two free throws. He also had a shot to win it but his long jumper from the corner came up short, giving LCC the win.

Peterson scored 19 and Tripple added 13. Each grabbed six boards. Miller had a good all-around game: 10 points, 13 rebounds, and six assists.