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LANE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Treasures fall on LCC campus

Staff Reporter

Despite clear blue skies, and 80 degree weather, on Friday, Oct. 6, it began hailing in Bristow Square at noon—hailing ping pong balls!

The traditional Ping Pong Ball Drop marked the end of Welcome Week at LCC, says Barbara Delansky, director of Student Act

The small black and white helicopter arrived at 11:50 a.m., flying over the crowd of 200 or more LCC students, as Ali-Kadubi pounded out their Blues/Funk/Jazz rhythms.

Swooping over once more like a bomber, the chopper crew began to drop over 2000 specially marked ping pong balls in two brief, three-story sweeps of the grassy area in front of the Center Building.

The grand prize winner is unknown @ this time.

Ivan Vincent, a student for two years at Lane, caught balls with numbers that corresponded with several prizes, including two CDs, a student planner and \$65 in gift certificates for the student

Linda Wood received an Aiwa boombox and a gift certificate from Pit Stop in Eugene for an oil



Students open their arms and reach to the sky in hopes of catching one of the many ping-pong balls last Friday afternoon.

change. Oct. 6 was also her birth-

Susan Harrison, sophomore, received a bag of gourmet coffee from Caffee' Orsini and some Washington Mutual measuring cups to "measure her success," she adds with a laugh.

"I received a pencil and a coupon for two to a vegetarian restaurant. It really sucked," computer programming major, Rob Moat told how he attended the drop last year. "I'd rather have a happy meal.'

On Oct. 6, he received a certifi-

cate for a McDonald's hamburger and a cheeseburger.

With the end of Welcome Week, everyone goes home a winner. "After all, that is the intent of the ping pong ball drop to have lots of fun and all win," said

Candidates debate at Lane

Students pose pertinant questions to this year's Secretary of State candidates.

Christopher Stiles

Staff Writer

A young adult Youth Debate will be held Oct. 14 at LCC when Secretary of State candidates come to LCC to debate the issues.

The debate will be held from 11a.m. to 1p.m. in the northeast corner of the cafeteria. Student turnout is expected to exceed 150. The candidates will debate a wide range of important issues that affect students throughout the state of Oregon.

Debating will be Republican House Speaker Lynn Snodgrass, Democratic Secretary of State Bill Bradbury, and Pacific Green Party candidate Lloyd Marbet, a long-time citizen activist.

The debate will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the northeast corner of the cafeteria. Student

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ebate simmers compact

Andrea Larsen

Lead Reporter

At a Board of Education meeting last March, the Oregon Military Department proposed plans to build a National Guard Armory on the empty site on 30th Avenue across from the LCC 30th Avenue campus.

But currently, things seem to be at a

"We're continuing to have informal communications," says Jason Schwabel, Chief of Major Construction for the Oregon National Guard.

It's kind of up in the air," says Bob Mention, LCC's Bond Project manager.

The facility, which will house up to 400 people on the weekends and 18-20 during the week, will consist mainly of classrooms and a six-lane indoor firing range. The site was chosen out of the ONG's

desire to be close to the college and its easy freeway access. The three local National Guard facilities are insufficient, with two requiring high levels of maintenance. Construction would be estimated to start in May of 2002, provided plans for the project go through.

We are hopeful that we can have a relationship with LCC," says Schwabel.

Among the issues concerning the project is the possibility of sharing Lane's water treatment lagoons with the proposed National Guard facility.

"The board had a lot of questions about whether the college should allow the Guard to use the lagoons." says Mention.

There were questions about whether the land use permit was obtained and there were questions about the wetlands," says Mention.

The lagoons are in need of an upgrade to bring them up to the Department of Environmental Quality standards.

"The college is going to upgrade the lagoons," says Mention. "We're going to go ahead with that regardless of whether the college allows the National Guard to use the lagoons or not."

Schwabel estimates that the cost of building a separate water treatment facility in comparison to aiding in the upgrade of ours, would be about the same.

'Funding is looking fairly positive," he

Schwabel says that land use laws have moratoriums restricting the expansion of water treatment.

'We're continuing with the design process," he says.

County planning requires the ONG to put its access road where a small part of

the wetlands will be taken over.

They want to fill in a very small part of it," says ASLCC Senator Anthony Baronti.

But Schwabel responds that the ONG hopes to be a "steward of the wetlands."

One of the things we want to explore is having some sort of wetland interpretive center," says Schwabel.

Many of the site's neighbors are concerned about the presence of the armory, says Mention.

Everyone wants to know what the students want," says Baronti.

For comments and questions regarding this issue contact Anthony Baronti at extension 2333. Also check out these web more information: http://slint.lanecc.edu:8080/-lagoon

http://www.mil.state.or.us/Agi-C/eugene/index.htm.

ASLCC nears goal: 1300 registered voters by Oct.

Christopher Stiles

The ASLCC says it is aggressively campaigning to "Get Out The Vote," by fulfilling its goal of registering 1300+ students to vote by the Oct. 17 deadline.

Alyssa Farrar, an ASLCC representative, describes the campaign as, "Very exciting. We are giving the students the opportunity to register and the information they need to make educated decisions when voting."

There are many reasons to register," states Brandon Kilgore, ASLCC treasurer. "Even if you have registered in the past, you must reregister if you have moved or changed your

ASLCC representatives have registered approximately 1100 students, so far, which is about 10 percent of the 11,000 students attending classes on the main campus this fall. Its goal

The ballot this Nov. 7 has many issues that will affect the students of LCC. Besides the election of president and national and local officials, ballot measures such as 8 and 91 are critical, says Kilgore. These will have a direct effect on LCC and its students.

You may spot an ASLCC representative when you are in line at the bookstore, while traveling through the cafeteria, or take responsibility and go to the ASLCC office, located on

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ASLCC Vice President Arne McLean, right, joins other ASLCC dignitaries Holly, Angelina and Samantha (left to right) to encourage student registration and voting for the upcoming ballot measures.

UO Students have phone directory - why not LCC?

Timothy Biggs

Editor in Chief

How do I get a hold of those students in my math class? Um, the ones who've aced every single test from algebra to calculus? I know their names, but how can I get their phone numbers?

If I were a student at the UO, I would grab my trusty student directory, and call one of them up for a bit of, well, assistance. Being unprepared for the test in calc sounds about as enjoyable as a root canal.

But this is LCC, not the UO. There is no student directory here. Not only that, the college won't give out addresses and phone numbers. Sometimes I just don't know what to do.

Why does UO treat its students differently than Lane?

I called the UO and spoke to the people who put the directories together.

Donna Winitzky, coordinator for UO's Student Directory, says that the books are a good, popular resource for students and staff alike

The books are published by G.V. Publications in Lubbock, book!
Texas. As I understand it, the publisher pays the UO to publish the

books. The UO downloads its information directly to the publisher, Winitzky says.

"We start getting orders for them in the summer. People watch for them. We only print 10,000 copies, and they go fast." The new directories appear around Thanksgiving each year.

The directory works like a phone book on steroids. For instance, if I need to get Vincenzo Pinto, I can look in the UO student directory under that name and voile! Not only do I find his phone number gleaming in the brightness, but other information, too. He is in the undergraduate program, a physics major, and his two addresses, in Eugene and

Portland, show me that this is indeed the one and only person I'm searching for.

Success, because of a little

"Students who choose not to be in the directory can have their information restricted,"

Winitzky says, although, once it's blocked, no one can access it.

"Sometimes we get someone who ends up in the directory and didn't want to be," she acknowledges, "and when that happens, they're stuck until the next issue comes out."

But, Winitzky assures me, that type of mistake doesn't happen very often.

So, why doesn't Lane publish a similar tome?

First, let's clarify some legal

You need to understand the two types of information about students: Directory information, and personally identifiable information

Under the General Education Provisions Act, the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act "prohibits the distribution of personally identifiable information." This information — like class schedules, grades, etc. — is off-limits to people who aren't authorized to have it without the consent of parents. These student files, then, are "confidential," according to Don Pember, author of the text, "Mass Media Law," used at LCC.

But, "directory information is determined by the institutions," says LCC's Helen Garrett, director of Enrollment Services. It means the college can choose what it deems "directory information," she says.

As a result, LCC has a policy in force that blocks information that is deemed "personally identifiable information." These are tidbits that are used to "discover" information that is unique to each of us. At first I thought this meant

color of hair, eyes and teeth. But really it means addresses, phone numbers, etc. LCC has chosen NOT to make them public. This is not considered "directory information," and is blocked.

Information that the colleg can release about students, or, directory information, are names, attendance dates at the school, any degrees or honors, major field of study, graduation date, schools attended and the student's participation in sports and activities.

Garrett is new to her job at Lane, but not to the UO directory and the issues surrounding it. She came to Lane from the UO, as associate director of Admissions.

"I had a student call me the other day," says Garrett. "She needed to get some information about herself. When I brought her up on the computer, her information was marked 'Restricted.' She couldn't even get her own information!" Why? Because when the

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Staff member claims LCC harbors covert, overt racism



Mark Harris

Substance Abuse Prevention Coordinator

If the issue is very emotionally charged, you should be as precise as you can.

In a previous Torch article "Resignations re-kindle race issues," Sept. 21, I was quoted as saying "The college's idea of diversity is to hire people from Colorado, Idaho, or Wyoming."

To be precise, I was quoting former Chair of Social Science and Business Administration Dr. Okolie Uwadibie's impression of some faculty members in Social Science whose idea of diversity was hiring caucasians from Colorado, Idaho or Wyoming, rather than simply hiring caucasians from Oregon.

To be sure, Okolie's management style and other qualities did not endear him to that department. He and I did have our professional disagreements. Okolie's remarks came in the course of a debriefing I conducted in my capacity as BASE president. BASE stands for Black American Staff/Faculty and Employees of Lane Community College. BASE exists because Lane has not developed the capacity to elimi-

nate overt and covert institution-

Okolie said during the course of that interview that Lane is a great training ground for learning to deal with institutional racism. He confessed he had made a tactical error. He had assumed that colle-

giality and professionalism would win out over racism. This view holds that racism in the workplace is unprofessional.

Four months into his tenure here, a faculty member told him that "People like you don't stay long in Eugene."

Shocked, Okolie asked, "What do you mean, black people?"

"Oh, no," he was told, "Very intelligent people. You're too smart for Eugene. You'll be a vice-president somewhere."

Good recovery.

One faculty evaluation from Social Science said "Okolie spends too much time with his kinsmen." His kinsmen, hmmm. Would that be referring to his trip to see his ailing mother in Nigeria? There was only one other African on campus at the time, and he was not a Nigerian.

Unless, of course, the speaker is referring to "kinsmen" in the sense of black people in general.

Another Social Science faculty member reported a disturbing conversation in the Social Science lounge this past spring term: "Have you heard they hired an African in Math? Won't they ever learn?"

Actually we have learned our lessons quite well. One of those lessons is that the numbers of

those willing to make such comments are dwindling. Some of us are willing to recognize excellence in any package it comes in. Our numbers are growing. It doesn't matter if they're a white woman from New York (actual comment made in a hir-

commentary

an African by way of the Southwest, a Fulbright place is scholar biologist-addictions counselor with an accent, or yes, even white men who communicate the fact daily in their lesson

plans, that the world is a diverse

ing committee as a

disadvantage),

and wonderful place and here's how you fit in it.

Unfortunately, all of the above except the Filipino Fulbright scholar biologist found steady employment at LCC. With two master's degree's, he was used as a tutor. A faculty member in the Science department informed me that his accent was "difficult" to understand. That opinion was apparently shared by another potential Eugene employer. So he was forced to take a job at Evergreen State College in Washington, settling for substantially more money than either LCC or Looking Glass would have paid him. I presume Evergreen's hiring committee, students, or staff had or will have no problems with his accent. (Laugh all the way to the bank, Chito!)

I want you to understand I believe racists have the right to believe that I and my "kinsmen" are inferior in the privacy of their own minds, or in private conversation among colleagues of like mind. I have a right to my sincere

but harmless delusion that a genetic lack of tolerance for direct sunlit temperatures above 75 degrees is a handicap. Some of my best friends and colleagues are "Melanin Challenged." (While reserved parking at tanning booths is out of the question, other accomodations can be made).

However, when private comments become part of an institutional process such as a hiring committee, and comments are made about people's accents (i.e., non-American accents), people's age, or race, then those comments become acts of the institution, and therefore perpetrate illegal discrimination. They continue to make comments like this even after going through a mandatory hiring training which informs them that such acts are illegal.

I would submit the opinion that they are not stupid, and it is a tactical error to think racists are stupid.

It is important to point out that Lane Community College reflects the values of the community it is in. Historically, discrimination was legal in this county, and just because discrimination was made illegal did not mean it went away. It would be convenient if discriminatory attitudes were confined to only one department in the college, but they are not. The fact that it is changing is encouraging.

I was accused by a then-faculty member when I objected to the illegalities (accent, age, etc.) I observed in a hiring process, of "hiding behind my race."

I was neither hiding then, nor am I hiding now. The issue is not race but obeying the law, and in particular, acting in a way that benefits students and the community.

Hiring exclusively from the "good ol' boys network" is like soooo mid-20th Century, dude. Strictly Mayberry and Springtucky. We may disagree about what constitutes "best," but at least we can have the dialogue as professionals. Pay attention class: there will be a test later...let's see who becomes president of the college.

Oops! We goofed

Timothy Biggs

Editor in Chief

In the Sept. 21 story entitled "Resignations re-kindle race issues," The Torch stated that former Social Science and Business Administration Department Chair Okolie Uwadibie had won the 400 meter race for Nigeria in the 1976 Summer Olympics Montreal. This was a mistake.

A sharp-eyed reader has pointed out that Alberto Juantorena of Cuba won the gold medal, followed closely by Americans Fred Newhouse and Herman Frazier. While in the tape recorded interview Uwadibie seemed to have said "I won the 400 meters for Nigeria," a careful listening of the tape suggests that he, in fact, said "I run the 400 meters for Nigeria."

The Torch regrets any embarassment this may have caused Uwadibie.

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Student says Gore measures up on tough issues

Heather Edwards

for the Torch

The course of the free world will change in less than a month.

10 to 15 percent of the voting population will decide who will rule the most powerful industrialized nation for the next four years. This undecided group of tie-breakers, as well as the politically apathetic, have until Nov. 7 to tip the scales.

I was torn until the first presidential debate. Though registered independent, I have always leaned toward the right. I am a practicing Catholic, which should make my social politics obvious. However, I have three priorities that the right wing systematically neglects and even abuses: education, campaign finance reform and the environment.

These are the three reasons I am abandoning my conservatism for this election and voting for the Gore/Lieberman ticket. So I implore those of you who either haven't decided or think it doesnot matter to continue reading.

85 percent of those who will vote in this term's presidential election have already decided. Unfortunately, roughly half of the

population doesn't vote. Some people don't care, don't feel they have the time or they only tune in to the debates. The debates, however informative, are last-minute gentrified soap box sessions where the two wealthiest and best known candidates verbally duke it out. These debates prove who has the better advisers, the better memory and the least performance anxiety, not necessarily who is the better leader.

Because of this inadequate format, I will outline the primary differences I see between Texas Gov. George W. Bush and Vice President Al Gore for those of you who think there are none. I issue two disclaimers first:

1. Both candidates are proclaiming, not guaranteeing. Executive policies, short of issuing executive orders and appointing Supreme Court justices and Cabinet secretaries, usually requires two-thirds approval from Congress (currently controlled by the Republicans).

2. Neither candidate is fit to represent any constituency in its entirety — no individual is. But we're voting for a president, not a guardian angel.

EDUCATION

First of all, if you are reading this you are probably a student. Most students have expenses they cannot afford without federal aid. The issue of education is being glossed over because only 6 percent of people between the ages of 18 and 35 do vote. This age group has the highest number of children in school and/or are in school themselves. Yet they have the lowest voter turnout

Our own ASLCC executives and their team of senators, interns and volunteers are laboring tirelessly to do LCC's part of the Oregon Student Association's statewide goal of registering 27,500 students to vote. LCC's contribution is a projected 1300 students registered by Oct. 17. In these first three weeks of the fall

term, they have registered 1140. ASLCC Vice President Arne McLean believes that it is a student's civic duty to participate in our democracy. "When students don't vote, students aren't represented," McLean says

Students should be drawn to Gore's annual tax deduction proposal for up to \$10,000 of college tuition, a reduction of class sizes

and voluntary national testing (in addition to existing mandatory

assessment testing).

Bush, not at all influenced by soft money contributions from the Christian Coalition, has taken the helm of the Republican destroyer fleet seeking to abolish the education department. So long as public schools are teaching evolution rather than creation, they shouldn't be federally funded nor regulated. And those that are will be subject to mandatory national testing, enabling the federal government to "quit subsidizing failure."

CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM

In effect, teachers will have to teach students how to take tests. And as Bush declared at the first debate, those at-risk youth who 'can't learn" and are "mostly Hispanic" definitely do not need to waste the taxpayers' money on education. Broader-based than the education issue is the song that never ends - campaign finance reform.

In short, Gore supports full public financing for campaigns, Bush "completely disagrees with the government financing of con-

Translation: "I don't want to have to work for my money when I can hold political 'dinners' (fundraisers) and charge \$5000 a plate." This is not to say that Gore hasn't accepted big bucks the easy way. After accepting campaign contributions from tobacco companies and environmental groups, he now asserts that the first bill he and vice-presidential candidate Joe Lieberman will send to Hill is McCain/Feingold Campaign Finance Reform bill. This bill will curb the influence of special interest groups, lobbyist and political action committees.

THE ENVIRONMENT

Environmental issues have polarized these two as much as the vertigo of Medicare and Social Security. Gore has offered tax credits and incentives for environmentally friendly and energy saving machines and transportation. Bush wants to drill for oil in the Alaskan wilderness, even though that would only yield enough oil to supply American consumption for less than a year. Both candidates have millions invested in oil stock.

Commentary: 'User of the Loser-Cruiser' touts LTD

Kinsey Kaylor

For the Torch

The bus may be regular transportation for some, or just a ride home after the ducttape holding the muffler on the car finally gets loose and leaves them stranded.

We've all done it. Most people look forward to a bus ride like they enjoy watching burn-victim footage.

As if walking to the bus stop, waiting in the cold rain, and sitting next to a person who giggles and mumbles like they're getting a massage isn't bad enough, there is an embarrassment to it all.

It seems that we're always the butt of jokes. My friends refer to it as, "riding the shame train," or the more sophisticated, "user of the loser cruiser." I, myself, have fallen victim to taunts while waiting for the

Luckily, bus drivers are a kind breed.

They have been able to assure me that those "verbal assaults" are made from jealousy. But soon we will get the recognition we deserve. As gas prices rise and government air pollution standards tighten, public transportation will become more popular and the less expensive way to go. We're ahead of the fad, and soon we will be respected for the pioneers we are.

As a proud LTD user, I feel it is my duty to convert "drivers" into "riders" by helping people realize how fun and inexpensive public transportation can be. Here are examples of the benefits:

 If the walk to the bus is getting repetitive and your dance moves no longer have their "Jiggy-ness;" you can brush up on your "Cabbage-patch" or "Sprinkler" and make the time just fly by. If you are late, try the "Running Man." Bonus: Keep practicing when the bus pulls up, and you're guaranteed a seat by yourself.

· Practice your public speaking skills. Most riders are just as bored as you. A joke will always win over a crowd. Note: keep away from dirty jokes, or even worse, one that starts with, "A bus driver..." That will have you standing back on the curb before you can say, "Did I get a transfer?"

· If all these ways to make your trip more enjoyable aren't enough to make you ride LTD, maybe money will. If you look at the basic economics, it pays to ride LTD, unless you make lots of cash, i.e. you're a doctor or topless server.

Bus pass: \$25 a month.

Car: \$150 payment, insurance \$80, gas \$40, maintenance \$20, skipping maintenance \$1,879.99, antacids to relieve ulcer from a \$2000 credit card bill \$5.

Note: this is what a car costs me. Yours may vary if you're a luckier owner. The basics (not including breakdowns) cost \$290 a month!

Now here's the part. Let's say you drive about a half-hour every day, or 15 hours per month, so divide that by the monthly cost of a car, \$290 (15/290= 19.33.)

Whoa! you're paying 19 bucks every hour to drive, plus you can't study and drive, unlike on the bus.

So, next time, when you're on the bus, and cars are whizzing by, don't

be discouraged because you can read, therefore cutting 45 minutes

off your study time. And you're getting paid virtually 20 bucks an

So it's okay to sit at home and using new-found free time, maybe

watching re-runs of Gilligans's Island, (or whichever quality TV

show that is on at 2 p.m.) and using your extra cash, paying your

roommate 20 smackers an hour to rub your feet.

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student registered, she told the college not to give any information out about her. Consequently, it didn't. Not

even to her. Why should students have

this option? "LCC has taken strides in working with the many diverse types of people here," she says. 'Lane is a beginning place."

I know just what she means. I see people at Lane who are recently divorced, single moms raising housefuls of kids, dads who've lost jobs and careers due to down-sized companies.

I know students who are still trying to figure out what they want to be when they grow up, and they are in their forties. There are women who've been battered for their entire lives, hiding from husbands and boyfriends, and those who just want to be left alone for awhile.

For them, some information is NOT good to make public.

Let me be the first to say that I find it a very good thing - in certain instances. Their protection should be the top priority, if they ask for it. Keeping the files locked tightly in Fort Knox is a pretty good idea.

But if a student wants his/her phone number made public, why won't LCC follow her/his

First Amendment law scholar Pember points out that there is a propensity for educators to over-react and protect some of this material that doesn't fit under the umbrella. Sometimes, school officials use this law to keep people from information like campus safety records and security statistics, and information about crime on campus.

If the average age of the students on LCC's campus is in the neighborhood of the late teens, protecting privacy would be a good thing. If there were people like John Wayne Gasey or Ted Bundy hanging around the campus, it would definitely be a good thing. If the Boston Strangler or someone of equal determination called up for my number, I'd want the college to

claim "privileged information! I can't divulge that!" That would

But I see things differently at Lane. For one thing, the Hillside Strangler isn't going to call and ask for my phone number, nor will he say, "Hello. I'm the Strangler. I want to kill one of your students."

No, he'd be more apt to head to a bar and pick someone up, take her/him to a secluded area and dispose of the evidence at his leisure to be later found by hapless wandering

But we are NOT 17 to 20, but much older. The average age of the students at Lane is about 36 years of age, according to the LCC 1998-99 "Profile."

We are adults who, in most cases, are parents ourselves, with families of our own. We don't necessarily need a mother hen to teach us that there are things in the world which can hurt us. This we already know. We've learned our lessons well from our enrollment in the College of

Hard Knocks.

And besides, our names and numbers are in the US West White Pages.

But what about the poor student on the weekend who's busy cramming for a final exam and needs to talk to someone badly about a sticky problem he/she's studying? Should the student just gloss over it, and hope for the best?

It would be far better if he/she could contact that star student in math - group studying is definitely worthwhile.

Thank you for watching over us, Mom Lane, but we're big boys and girls now. Please try to remember that when you make decisions for us.

LCC should let the students make the decision for ourselves. Allow us to choose the way we want to be reached.

I suggest that the ASLCC should put the question to the students at Lane. Allow us to vote on this issue.

But do it fast - my math final is coming up.

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turnout is expected to exceed 150. The candidates will debate a wide range of important issues that affect students throughout the state of

The debate will be mediated by ASLCC President Susan Whitmore Key issues will include the environment, civil rights, and student control of student fees.

Other issues will also be raised by the student panel, composed of three students from Lane and two students from the University of Oregon.

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Measures that could affect you

Christopher Stiles

Staff Writer

On the ballot this fall are two measures, 8 and 91, that could affect LCC students if passed.

ballot measures to try to change the direction of government spending.

Measure 91 was proposed by Bill Sizemore, Executive Director of the Oregon Taxpayers United (OTU), a statewide organization. Sizemore and the OTU sponsored and promoted tax cutting Measure 5 in 1990, and a Term Limits Measure 8 was proposed by Don McIntire, a bill for the Oregon legislature in 1992, both of veteran tax activist, attempting to slow legislative which were passed by voters. The goal of spending and cut taxes in Oregon. He is using Sizemore and the OTU is to return control of the government to its citizens, claims the OTU website. (www.otu.org)

Measure 8

Measure 8 would ammend Oregon's constitution to limit all state funding to 15 percent of the total personal income of Oregonians in the two years immediately prior to the budget bienium.

The impact on LCC: would be a budget loss of \$15 million (or 21.6 percent) annually, causing layoffs of 255 full time equivalent (FTE) employees or a \$54 per credit tuition increase, says the Political Action and Government Affairs Team (PAGAT)

Opponents: Committee for Our Oregon, Oregon School Board Association, and Intel

Measure 91

Measure 91 would ammend Oregon's constitution to allow a full deduction of all income tax paid by Oregonianson their federal income tax returns for personal and corporate state filings. Currently only a \$3000 deduction is allowed for personal Oregon tax returns and there are no tax allowances for corporations.

The impact on LCC: would be a budget loss of \$4.6 million dollars (or 6.6 percent) annually, causing layoffs of 75 FTE employees or a require \$15 per credit tuition increase, says PAGAT.

Opponents: Wells Fargo & Co., Oregon State Fire Fighters Council, and

If both measures pass, it would require a raise in tuition by \$69 per credit, in order to maintain existing programs, or force the layoff of 330 FTE employees. "If both measures passed the doors of LCC could feasably be shut," says Steve Candee, social science instructor.

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White Cane HAIRCUTS **Awareness** Day

Judy Sierra

Staff Writer

White Cane Awareness Day will be observed Oct. 14 on the Main Stage at Saturday Market between 1 and 2 p.m.

The event is designed to increase public awareness of the positive power of proper use of white canes and guide

Mary Lee Turner, mobility instructor and rehabilitation teacher employed by the Oregon Commission for the Blind, says, "The disability can be dealt with through

modern technology.

"The biggest handicap comes from the general society and their perception of 'incompetence.'

Turner invites the community to celebrate the Awareness Day and learn more about people in the community with disabilities who "do real things just like any-body else—they just can't see who is watching."

Driver Tip #752

If you hit the brakes before you use the turn signal, you have failed to communicate.

Driver Tip #753 Immediately call your insurance company.

Heineken brews up solution for underage drinking

Paul Felgentraeger

Staff Writer

Under-age college students around the nation are participating in illegal and dangerous drinking habits, acknowledges Heineken USA, the nation's largest beer importer.

The problem has been around for a long time, and organized intervention has been dormant, until now. Heineken USA has announced a partnership specifically designed to combat under-

age drinking on college campuses. Heineken USA has teamed up with Training for Interprevention Procedures (TIPS), analcohol server-training program, and created what they call the first responsible consumption plan of its kind, "SAFE CALL." However, an LCC expert says he has his doubts about the plan.

The plan targets college fraternities and social organizations, and educates young adults about the effects of alcohol and the responsibilites young students need to deal with.

In the program's first year, Heineken USA will donate \$10,000 to participating colleges for education training.

Currently, there are two fraternities under the SAFE CALL banner, Phi Gamma Delta and Delta Upsilon, and one more is preparing to start, says Suanne Cosgrove of the TIPS Program in Arlington, Va.

Those in the program will learn about the effects of alcohol, and intervention techniques to prevent abuse. All future funding will be made through annual grants and the purchase of TIPS

training materials by universities and colleges that participate in SAFE CALL.

Dan Tearno, vice president of Corporate Affairs for Heineken USA, says, "We believe education is the key to responsibility. Heineken has endorsed the TIPS concept and is the first alcohol beverage supplier to have all employees become certified in the program, says Tearno.

But Mark Harris, LCC substance abuse coordinator is not impressed with what the big corporations are doing.

"Alcohol is a drug that has been made legal and kills more of our population than illegal drugs do," he says.

In fact, says Harris, threequarters of a million people die from drinking compared to 14,000 from illegal drug use.

If you're interested in starting this intervention program in the community, contact Suzanne Cosgrove of the TIPS Program at 1-(800)-438-8477, or by email

at university@gettips.com.

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the fourth floor of the Center Building, to register.

ASLCC representatives can provide students with voting tools such as:

The voter registration card that allows an 18-year-old, Oregon resident who is a U.S. citizen to become a registered voter. It also allows for updating voter registration, changing name or address, and choosing

or changing political parties.

• A "Rock the Vote" pamphlet that explains the power of voting, how changes can be made, and how to contact a number of "special interest" groups.

A "They Represent You" leaflet presented by the League of Women Voters of Lane County, Inc, that contains the names of officials from the national and state levels through the county and local, right down to the utility and school officials. It also gives telephone numbers, addresses, and e-mail addresses contacting

(www.efn.org/~lwvlc/)
• The "Voter's Defense Manual" produced by Project Vote Smart gives information on the views of presidential nominees and state representatives, as well as campaign finance information and performance evaluations on state representatives. It describes ways to communicate with pubofficials. (www.vote-

Some important dates for students to know are Oct. 17, the last day for voter registration cards to be turned in to Lane county; Oct. 14, the day of the Young Adult Voting Summit, and the Youth Debate is to be held in the cafeteria on the main campus from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Nov. 7, voting ballots are

The ASLCC has a secondary cause for its registration drive. It plans on actively lobbying the Oregon Congress this year. The larger number of registered voters at LCC increases the level of influence on the legislatures decision-making, say student

Because voting in Oregon is currently done by mail-in-ballot only, the ASLCC plans on providing a drop box located on campus, so that students do not have to deal with mailing in their

Kilgore also wants students to be aware of the three senate seats up for grabs in the ASLCC pro-

Requirements for interested candidates: they must attend three consecutive meetings, gather 100 signatures supporting the candidate's application, be enrolled in a minimum of six credits at the LCC main campus and be available to attend meetings held every Wednesday from-3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

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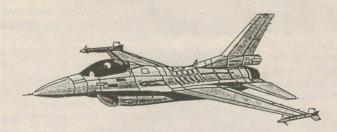
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Coming soon: Dual enrollment between LCC and

For the Torch

A program of dual enrollment is under consideration as a working partnership between the UO and LCC. This partnership would be characterized by a student enrolling one time for both institutions and could save wear and tear on the student and the college system.

It is a sign of the times.

"Many colleges are switching over to dual enrollment programs," says Helen Garrett, director of enrollment services at

For instance, "a dual enrollment program has been working very well at Linn-Benton Community College in conjunction with Oregon State University since 1998," says Bruce Clemetson of the Dual Enrollment program at LBCC.

The students fill out one application and OSU makes the decision of whether or not to accept them into the program," says Clemetson. For this program, OSU has relaxed the GPA requirements. Previously, it demanded a 3.0 GPA to get in. Now, this program requires a 2.5 GPA and for transfer students it is 2.25 GPA. Only 25 credits are required for transfer students instead of the previous 36 credits.

Financial aid is based on combined term credits and tuition rates at both schools.

"The financial figuring has to be done manually and is very time consuming,"

The colleges are trying to expedite the people with good grades. The current

process with more automation. Students currently receive separate bills from OSU and LBCC. These students have voiced the preference for a single bill that could be paid once. This problem has yet to be worked out.

In 1998, the program started with 40 enrollees, and in the current term it now stands at 800.

'For the first time this year, the program is open to out of state, international, and grad students," says Clemetson.

The program has promoted closer relations between the college and the university. The faculty on both sides need to know of changes, innovations and improvements that would affect the students at either end of this program. "It has given the two faculties incentive to work closer together," says Clemetson.

The program has enabled more LBCC students to go on to a four-year college and get a four-year degree because of the smooth transition from one school to the other. Their program heading for the fouryear college starts the moment they begin their studies at LBCC. If they are not accepted in the dual enrollment program, they can still go to LBCC and join the program at a later date when they become

OSU residence halls are open to dual enrollment students even if the student is only taking classes at LBCC, says Clemetson.

One of the problems has been to honor

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honor roll is open to only full-time students. If a student goes to two institutions half-time, with full credit hours, and gets straight A's, that person is not eligible to be on the honor roll because she/he is not a full-time student at either college. This problem still has to be addressed, says Clemetson.

Another difficulty is that students with poor grades are sometimes not noticed because they are also part-time. "A way needs to be devised to catch these students and help them," says Clemetson.

Under the advisement of the two college presidents, Dave Frohnmeyer and Jerry Moskus, the UO and LCC have put together a consortium to get the two institutions together to discuss how best to serve the crossover populations between the two institutions, says Donna Koechig, director of counseling at LCC

'Dual enrollment is a fast growing thing," says Garrett.

Frohnmeyer and Moskus would like the committee to make recommendations on how to create a dual enrollment program by December.

Koechig is the coordinator of this project for LCC and Jim Buch, associate VP for Student Academic Affairs is her counter-

"Oregon students are leaving the state to go to college," states Koechig, "and dual enrollment might be one way to better serve them.

For instance, students could take advantage of the smaller classes at LCC

while enjoying living in UO housing.

"Now that we are in the deficit years," says Koechig, "dual enrollment may be a way to make better use of taxpayer dollar and student dollars.

A student would be able to enjoy LCC's weekend and evening classes of which the UO has very few, and take advantage of the UO classes in the daytime. It would create a greater variety of options for students of both campuses.

The colleges will have to explore whether to start with a small pilot group or open up the program full-blast and deal with the problems as they arise, says Koechig.

There is already a class to help the transition between the two institutions called Transition to UO" on the LCC campus. Part of the class is taught at LCC and part at UO to introduce students to the new campus before they arrive to take classes.

Student dual enrollment is a new trend in modern education and will be beneficial to both students and learning institutions. "With all going well," says Koechig, "LCC may have a program in place by as early as

LCC has always had a "great working relationship with the UO," states Koechig, and with dual enrollment it will become even stronger.

Both Koechig and Garrett would like to hear from students. Please ask questions or give comments to Koechig at ext. 2321 and Garrett at ext. 2686.

You don't have to quit your day job to attend college

Judy L. Sierra

Staff Reporter

Ruby Larson is taking a class to develop specialized skills for his business. Steve Nohrenberg sends his employees to LCC to sharpen their vocational expertise. Dawn McNairy was triggered to seek a new career by a family tragedy.

And they're all attending night school at Lane.

The reasons for taking evening courses are as varied as the students themselves.

Larson, owner of Avant Carb, an auto repair shop on Garfield Street in Eugene, is taking a single "Automotive night class, and Electrical Electronic Systems.'

"The whole art of technology is changing fast, and I need to keep up," he admits. "I'm not trying to get a degree. I just need updated information.

'I checked out LCC a few years ago, but they didn't offer anything I could use, so I just decided to try again and was surprised to find the class I need."

Along with his 40-50 hour work week, he is also busy with his family and operates two side businesses

Nohrenberg, the manager of Midas Auto Experts in Eugene, sends his employees to night school to "help them become more skilled, more proficient on the job."

He says Midas is changing its focus from auto exhaust systems to air-conditioning and mainte-

"This is the first year Midas has worked on air-conditioning, so eight or nine of us took the airconditioning course two nights a week last spring at LCC.

He says it helped them all gain valuable information, which is why he continues to send employees to night school. McNairy a 32-year-old mother

returning to school to add direc-

tion to her life explains how life

brought her to Lane.

After graduating from high school in 1986, McNairy had dreams of acting, but was disillusioned by her drama classes at college.

Through the 66 McNairy years, says she worked several jobs includ- the one they waitressing, working as a receptionist and even modeling.

Then last June a family tragedy achieved her life achieved her Her completely. mother was murdered by her second husband in South Carolina.

"It was a horrible, hideous way to die and I still can't believe

McNairy says her mother always put things off. "She thought she had plenty of time she was healthy and full of life.

"That triggered something in me. I realized I don't want to be that person who everyone says, 'Well, she always said she was going to accomplish this or that.'

"I want to be the one they say, 'Wow, Dawn went out and achieved her goals.'

Once McNairy realized she couldn't put things off any longer, she visited the Counseling Department and the Women's Awareness Center.

"I'm still not sure exactly what I want to - Dawn McNairy do. I've thought about becoming an elementary school

> teacher since I was a kid. I want to be a nurturer - to help kids learn and grow. But I haven't decided yet, so that's why I'm taking 'Women in Transitions" classes."

> McNairy says she loves being a mom - any time spent away

from her daughter is difficult.

"If I didn't have my daughter, I would have given up on life. But I'm moving on because of her. I don't want to put life off."

Dr. Linda Simmons, executive assistant to the LCC president, says that not all people in the community are taking advantage of night school.

"It will take awhile for people to realize they can accomplish their goals at night. The college is hearing loud and clear that people need to have good options available at night.

Simmons says the college is planning incremental changes over the next three years.

"The college is committed to these changes and additions. We would not have engaged in this project if we weren't in it for the long haul.'

Craig Taylor, director of Institutiona Research, Assessment and Planning, says enrollment for fall term isn't significantly higher than last year.

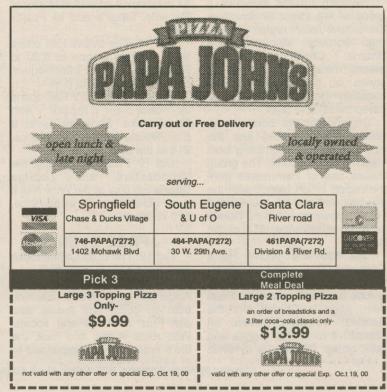
"All the figures aren't in yet, but we realized building up enrollment at night could be a slow process.

He says the college hurt itself around 10 years ago when it decided to build up night school. "They advertised and people responded. They set a good stage, but didn't have enough classes.

Advertising is one way to build enrollment, Taylor says, but claims the best way to engage students is by word of mouth.

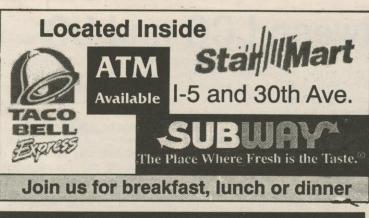
"Once students come out to Lane and find what's being offered, they'll tell family and











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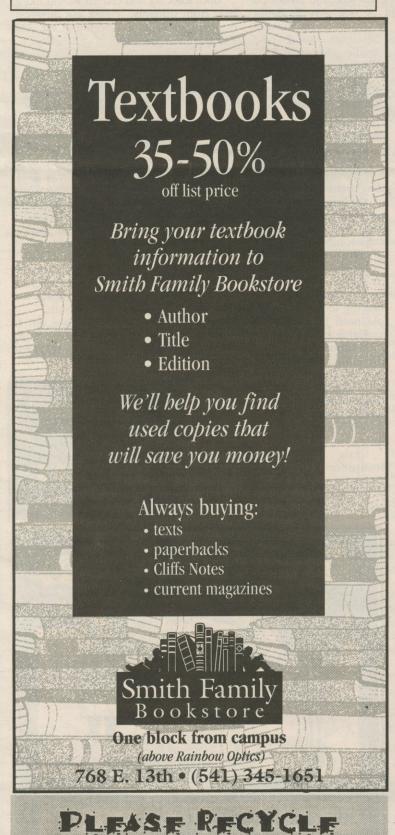


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UO Theatre now sells tickets online

Kawa Kuller

A&E Reporter

UO theatre tickets can now be purchased at the main UO Ticket Office through the performance day, and will be available over the Internet in an effort to help streamline ticket sales for individuals and patrons.

The UO Theatre Box Office, located in the lobby of Robinson Theatre, will now be open only

on performance days.

Hours will be 8:15 p.m. on Wednesday, through Friday performance days; 6-8:15 p.m. on Saturday and noon to 2 p.m. on Sunday matinee days.

UO Theatre Development Director Joseph Gilg says, "We recognize that these changes might be difficult for some of our patrons to adjust to, from a business standpoint, it makes good sense to go this route. Season subscribers will get better service from this centralized ticketing."

The UO Ticket office is located on the main level of the Erb Memorial Union, 1222 E. 13th Ave., with box office hours from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday to Friday, and starting Oct. 14th, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday. Tickets can also be purchased through the mail by sending orders to the UO Ticket Office, P.O. Box 3600, Eugene, OR 97403, or by phone, call 346-4363.

Instructor dances Balinese style

Kawa Kuller

Staff Writer

The LCC Dance Program presents an evening of classical Balinese dance, "Legong," performed by Bonnie Simoa.

Drawing on her personal experiences, Simoa creates dance based on the evolution of the human spirit.

Last year, Simoa traveled to Indonesia to study Legong under Sang Ayu, the last surviving teacher of her generation. Legong is the first dance Indonesian girls learn, and represents the archetype of femininity and grace. The stylized movements of the dance are danced to the complicated rhythm of the gamelan, the Balinese orchestra.

The Legong dance will take place on Oct. 13 and 14 at 8 p.m. in the Blue Door Theatre in the Performance Hall on the LCC campus. To purchase tickets, call 726-2202 between noon and 4 p.m. Ticket price is \$5 for general admission.

A&E Calendar



MUSIC

Oct 12. The WOW Hall introduces a San Francisco band named Trance Mission. The band uses modern instruments to create a fusion of aboriginal, native American, African, and European influences. Band members Stephen Kent, hailed as one of the world's finest non-aboriginal didjeridu players, Eda Maxym (vocals, percussion) and Peter Valsamis combine rhythms and virtuoso musicianship to the performances which pulse with trance filled dance power. "While their studio efforts have always been top notch, the sort of music that Trance Mission produces tends to work much better in a live setting," states Feedback Monitor.

Warming up the crowd is a group of five throat singers from the central Asian region of Tuva that borders Mongolia and Siberia. Chirailchin, which means "mirage," performs all five styles of throat singing: the khoomey (general), the kargyraa (deep tones), the stygt

(hightones), the borbannadyr (staccato-like whistle) and the ezengiler (sound originating from clashing horse spurs). The group makes use of instruments from the region which blends with the deepest regions of the human voice. Showtime is 8 p.m. Tickets are \$12 in advance, \$14 at the door.

Oct 13. The WOW Hall's Costume Ball presents northwest acts Sixteen Second Ham, a rock band influenced by Pearl Jam, Alice in Chains and the Beatles; Double-O-Seven, an alternative rock, ska, reggae and punk group; Dilgnen, a dynamic

rock band that plays "somewhere between emo-core and art rock," according to the Willamette Weekly; and Izanami a visual performance theater troupe combining dance, live music, fire performance and art. The Ball starts at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$6 w/costume, \$8 without.

Oct 15. Big WU, will have a CD release party at the WOW Hall for its second album, "Folktales for the Bloodshot." Big WU, a Minnesota band, has called the road its home for the last few years, resulting in a creation of spirited sound and feel with elements of groove, funk, R&B, hip-hop and pop with tastes of bluegrass, country and jazz all interwoven. Nectar Way has been touring as well, and opens the show with elements of funk, jazz, fusion, and groove which makes for a high energy show. Showtime is 8 p.m. Tickets are \$8 at the

Also, reggae legends the Twinkle Brothers, will be performing at Top of the World, located 3 miles north of Gateway, exit 199, with opening acts Ancient Youth and Papa's Soul Kitchen. Showtime is at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$12 at the door and \$7 in advance on sale at House of Records, Lazar's and all Fasttix outlets.

Oct 16. The WOW Hall offers **West African Dance** at 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., and Intermediate dance at 7:30 to 9:15 p.m.

Oct 18. The WOW Hall opens its door for reggae with Matabaruka. Showtime is at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$12 in advance, \$14 at the door.

Oct 19. Five Iron Frenzy, the Varicoasters and Lounge Debris will play at the Wow Hall 7 p.m. Tickets are \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door.

FREE EVENTS

Oct 12. The Buzz Coffeehouse has **Nichols & Dhymes**, an acoutic trio consisting of David Andersen and Wade Barnett, both on guitar and vocals, and Jim Fritz on bass and vocals. With roots in folk and rock, the trio's repertoire has expanded to

embrace pop standards, swing and jazz, and original compostions. The showtime is from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. Admission is free.

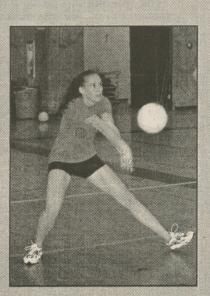
Oct 14. The Buzz Coffeehouse will showcase singer and guitarist Patty McCulla. She and her band will bring her unique, dynamic yet playful combination of folk, blues, rock, jazz, r&b and country in a powerful show starting at 9 p.m. and ending at 11 p.m. Admission is

Also, the City of Eugene Recreation Services Divisions and the Eugene Public Library scheduled a Scarecrow Building Workshop at the Amazon Community Center. Along with making your own scarecrows, participants will learn some scarecrow myths and folklore. Straw, cross-shaped scarecrow structure, clothing and props will be provided while supplies last, but participants are welcome to bring their own supplies. The workshop is held from 1 to 3 p.m. at Amazon Community Center, 2700 Hilyard Street. To register, call Amazon Center at 683-5373. For more information on other events offered, contact The City of Eugene Recreational Division at 682-5333.

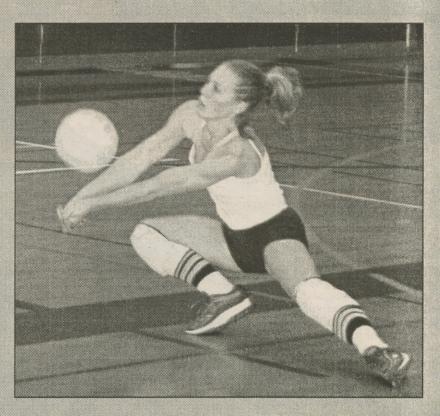
Oct. 15. The Spiritual Growth Center announces an inter-tribal Native American Healing Ceremony as part of its "On Higher Ground" program. program. Guests include Medicine Man Bill Flying Eagle Wilson and Virginia Cornflower Wilson. All are invited and welcome to participate. The cost for this event is a love offering. The ceremony starts at 6 p.m. at the Spiritual Growth Center 390 Vernal St., Eugene, OR. 97401. For more information call 485-0035, or visit www.sceugene.org

Oct. 16-20. A continuing activity of the "On Higher Ground" program is a "We Are the World" Healing Meditation. This silent guided meditation will take place at 12:30 p.m. in the Meditation Room at the Spiritual Growth Center 390 Vernal St., Eugene, Ore. 97401. For more information call 485-0035, or visit www.sceugene.org.

Sports Volley Ball



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Titans, Tricia Gardner and
Bethany Pierce, practices
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Tacoma, Wash. The
ladies next home match
will be on Wednesday the
25 of October at 7 pm
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'American Buffalo' Play exposes raw human themes

*Mack Singleton

A&E Editor

"American Buffalo," is mainly concerned about the communication among three people and what is important in their lives and their real humanness and frailty behind the facade of tough language and posturing.

language and posturing.
On Saturday Oct. 7. the
Buffalo Theatre Company presented the last performance of
David Mamet's play, "American
Buffalo." From the start the actors
gave the impression that they
were people struggling in a real
life situation.

The scenes took place in an audience participation style in

Donny's curio shop, laid out on the floor of the Blue Door Theatre . The actors were so close to the audience that it seemed as if we were all in the room as the drama unfolded.

The plot revolves around an American buffalo head nickel that Donny sells to a customer he later plans to rob, figuring that the customer is a coin collector who must have a large stash of very valuable coins or cash.

When the dialogue between the characters begins, the themes change to allow the audience to see the personalities and motives of each player, but from there the idea of the coin and all it represents seems to disappear.



PHOTO BY DREW LAICHE

Donny tries to impress upon Bobby the importance of eating breakfast.

Besides debates over the value of the coin, or if somebody going to get shot, or was the kid going to die, the play brought out the humanness of three people trying to survive in a world they didn't create by ultimately discovering the friendship and love that was always just below the surface.

The three actors, LCC theater instructor Patrick Torelle as Donny the storekeeper, Chris Pinto as Donny's friend, and LCC student Drew Tydeman as Bobby, a young local boy who hangs around Donny's shop. They wove this complex plot into a story that gave me compassion for the characters and kept me riveted to the action just a few away from me.

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Silent vigil screams out against domestic violence

Lauretta DeForge

News Editor

"For every woman killed [by domestic violence], others are saved and get their lives back," says Margo Schaefer, community outreach director at Womenspace. There is hope.

To get the message out, a vigil will be held on Oct. 17, at the Hult Center, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., to honor women and children who have died at the hands of batterers, and the courageous ones who've left violent relationships. And to offer a message of hope and support for those who are still living with domestic violence, according to the Womenspace newsletter.

Soromundi, Eugene Peace Choir, Synergy, and Young Women's Choir will perform at the vigil. Around 6 p.m., speakers will read short biographies of the 22 witnesses who were killed in Oregon by domestic violence. The bios include birth, who the person was, and how she died. The youngest was 21 and the oldest was 59. The youngest, 21-year-old Amy Hamblin, was killed in June by her husband, wrapped in a mattress and tossed into the McKenzie River.

"Worst of all, left untended by either parent is an (18-month-old) child," says Schaefer, referring to Hamblin's infant.

After the bios are read, there will be speakers from various community service organizations in Eugene, unknown at the time of this writing, that deal with domestic violence.

Domestic violence in Oregon, and elsewhere, is a grim business. "It is the most common crime in the U.S., the leading cause of injury to women, and the least reported crime," says Shaefer.

Why do men do these things to women and children?

"We live in a violent culture and men get the message they can [commit violent acts] from society," says Shaefer. "It is also self-perpetuating, she says. Forty per cent of kids in homes with domestic violence grow up to carry on the tradition of domestic violence."

The idea of using large cutouts to rep-



resent victims of domestic violence began in 1990 in Minnesota by a group of women artists. Now all states use this method to remember victims of violence. In 1997, 1500 witnesses "marched to end the silence" in Washington, DC, says Shaefer.

"Womenspace is a wonderful place to volunteer," says Shaefer. "It is the most rewarding work I have done in my life. Who cannot be touched by a child walking on egg shells at home for fear of domestic violence... A volunteer or other worker has the opportunity to give them their childhood back," she says.

Many varied opportunities to volunteer are offered at Womenspace, from clerical work to public speaking and presentation; from crisis line operator, to actually getting involved in crisis prevention, says Shaefer.

Men are especially valuable because their voices need to be heard on this issue to encourage other men to control their anger.

"The next volunteer training program will be in January," says Shaefer. "This training is very informative. It deals with human service training, domestic violence information, and how to deal with different segments of the population."

Work is done with oppression theory which deals with stereotypes or biases that the volunteer might have. Topics covered are racism, sexism, ageism, homophobia, and dealing with those who have disabilities. If a volunteer needs to cope with

someone in a crisis, the volunteer cannot be dealing with his own prejudices at the same time which might interfere with critical help to the victim.

Some of the skills volunteers learn are communication, listening, paraphrasing skills, not offering advice, and how to be compassionate without being disabled by the volunteer's own emotions.

"The volunteer workshop is very informative to anyone who deals with the public," says Shaefer.

"I would like to tell you of a warning and a pitfall," she says. "To escape and survive domestic abuse, a woman needs to have confidence in herself. If you see someone with a black eye and suggest that she go to Womenspace, it may be taking away her feelings of confidence in herself and may make her more vulnerable. Be careful how you try to help a victim of domestic violence.

"Don't offer your home to a victim of domestic violence unless you plan to be in it for the long haul," says Schaefer. "The average victim will return to the batterer 5 to 7 times before she finally decides to call it quits. She may need to stay at your house 5 to 7 times before she builds up the will to go to Womenspace or take decisive action. Dealing with this problem is not a short term process."

What can be done for the men doing the violence?

"Not much," says Shaefer. "Most of these men believe that they are doing something that is their right. 'I told her to vacuum, she didn't, so I beat her up.'

"They believe that if their wife does not perform to their expectations, they can use violence to solve the problem," says Shaefer. "Very few of these men can even admit that they have a problem."

Students at LCC can get course credit for volunteering at Womenspace. "It is a chance to show that they care about the community, want to make it better, want kids to be less violent, and a chance to make the world less violent," says Shaefer.

If you would like to volunteer for Womenspace, call 485-8232. They need you.

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Portland State university:

Tuesday, October 17th, 12:30 - 3:30, Drop-in Counseling/Advising

Southern Oregon University:

Wednesday, November 15th, Cafeteria, 10:00-1:30

University of Oregon

Wednesday, Oct. 18th, LCC Cafeteria, Time 9:00-2:00 Wednesday, Oct. 25th, Counseling/Advising Center, 9:00-2:00 Wednesday, Nov. 8th, Counseling/Advising Center, 9:00-2:00 Wednesday, Nov. 29th, Counseling/Advising Center, 9:00-2:00

* Set up appointment with Ginger Yamamoto, Counseling/Advising Center

Western Oregon University

Monday, October 23rd & November, 20th, 10:00-11:30 or 1:00-3:00 in Counseling/Advising Center or Drop-in at LCC Cafeteria 11:00-1:00

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