



Math instructor wins FIPSE grant

*\$398,484 was awarded
for the pilot of Flexible
Sequence Algebra*

Liz Mayfield
Managing Editor

A FIPSE (Fund For the Improvement of Post Secondary Education) grant for \$398,484 was awarded to Math Instructor David Shellabarger in mid-September for piloting Flexible Sequence Algebra.

FSA is an innovative new format for teaching the developmental Algebra courses. It breaks down the material into five two-week-long minicourses called modules. Shellabarger hopes to minimize the failure and dropout rate by creating a flexible program of learning math that is still instructor-led.

"I got an idea about how we could serve out students better," said Shellabarger.

At the end of each module, students are tested on the new material along with review from past modules. If they pass, they simply move on to the next module. If they fail, all they have to do is repeat the two-week course rather than repeating the entire term.

Students earn credit for each module they pass and pay for all the modules they take, just like the current term-by-term system. It is just broken down into smaller sections. It is also possible for a student to "test in" and go directly to the module for which they qualify.

Letting students work at their own pace is just one of the benefits of FSA. In past years, an attempt was made at independent study, but it failed because most students aren't

self-disciplined enough to pass. FSA gives the flexibility of independent study with the structure of instructor-led classes.

"We're trying to have a higher success rate than we do now," said Shellabarger. "Overall, of the people who got a grade in Math 95, 81 percent passed. For Math 70, 74 percent passed."

Those statistics don't include dropouts. According to Shellabarger, those are good numbers compared to other colleges, but he hopes FSA will raise passing percentages by 10 percent.

Shellabarger completed his draft of the grant proposal before the February 2003 preliminary reading. After being approved in the preliminaries, Shellabarger and other faculty involved selected projects for the complete submission in May 2003.

"We didn't hear until a week before school started," said Shellabarger about winning the grant.

The grant provides funding for three years, from Sept. 1, 2003 to Aug. 31, 2006. The first year is set aside for the planning stage of the program and the second two years are for implementation and evaluation.

Shellabarger gives a lot of credit to his colleagues who are helping him with the project and those who lend support.

"It doesn't just depend on me. There are a lot of other people in this," said Shellabarger.

There are some difficulties that will have to be worked out before the implementation of FSA. Scheduling procedures and financial aid issues are just two concerns Shellabarger has.

For more information about FSA, contact Shellabarger at 463-5123.

KILLER RAT ATTACKS!



Photo by Megan Wilson

Not really. There are no killer rats (that the Torch is aware of) on campus. But this gruesome rodent is just one of the many monsters lurking about in this terrifying Halloween issue of the Torch.

Mid-Willamette college fair hits LCC campus

Jason Nelson
Staff Writer

Each year colleges and universities around the country from Hawaii to Georgia to right here in Eugene host college fairs for high school students and parents.

The fairs give college-bound students a chance to learn about educational programs, admissions, entrance requirements, financial aid, scholarships and housing from prospective colleges and universities.

This year, LCC will be hosting the annual Mid-Willamette College Fair

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Annual flu-clinic offers cheap vaccination

*Organizers say
the clinic has
plenty of vaccine.*

Aidan Keuter
Staff Writer

It's time to get another flu shot.

The Health Center will continue its annual walk-in flu clinic on Oct. 30 at the Downtown Center and Nov. 6 and 7 on the Main Campus.

The flu vaccine shots are open to every student and staff member at LCC. People wanting to get vaccinated must have their L numbers and read and fill out a consent form.

The clinic is being held later than it has been in past years because there was a delay in receiving the vaccine from the manufacturer this year.

However, administrative specialist for the Health Center, Roxanne Atter, who is in charge of ordering the vaccine, said there is no shortage this year. Although the nation faced an overall shortage last year, LCC ended the flu season with a surplus of the vaccine.

According to Atter, the Health Center ordered 350 doses and can order more if needed.

The Health Center is able to offer the shot at a reduced

price of \$10 because it bought its supply in partnership with other state supported institutions and agencies. Atter said that other organizations around Eugene are offering the shots at around \$15.

This year the clinic is arranged as a walk-in, first-come-first-served basis. People who can't make it in during set times can call after Nov. 7 to make an appointment.

The Center for Disease Control (CDC) encourages everybody to get vaccinated if possible but strongly recommends it for people over 50, women who are pregnant and people with weakened immune systems.

Affecting 10 to 20 percent of the nation annually, the Influenza virus can easily turn into a serious health concern. The CDC estimates that about 114,000 persons are hospitalized for flu-related complications and on average 36,000 Americans die per year from the virus.

The Student Health Center is located in the Center Building in Room 126 on the south end of the cafeteria. Office hours are Monday-Thursday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Friday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. To make an appointment, or for questions about the flu vaccine or other health issues, contact the Health Center at 463-5665.

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\$5,000 Staton
scholarships**

OPINION

OSPIRG finds Lane students averaged \$247 on textbooks this fall

The problem of rising educational costs is inarguable. Every year the costs of housing, tuition and textbooks rise to the dismay of college students. This financial burden is broad and proves to be a universal issue, affecting all facets of higher education.

The staggering price of textbooks has caused alarm in students preparing for their term. What is causing this dramatic increase? Marketing tactics practiced by the publishing companies that manufacture this cornerstone of educa-

tion are causing this dramatic increase

Finding used books for a course becomes difficult when a new edition of the book is released every year or two. Often, the new release is not prompted by any significant change in the content of the book, such as a new scientific discovery or when the information becomes out of date. More frequently, the change is merely a cosmetic altera-

tion such as a new cover or different pictures within the text. This practice of "planned obsolescence" creates profit for publishing companies and drains students' pockets. Teachers are also affected, as creating a new syllabus for each new edition becomes a daunting task.

Another popular technique used by these companies to create unexpected and unnecessary costs is "bundling" items

with the required text including but not limited to workbooks, dictionaries and a CD-ROM. In most occasions, the items cannot be sold back to the bookstore.

LCC's answer to this problem takes shape in a campaign conducted by the LCC chapter of OSPIRG (Oregon Students Public Interest Research Group).

By issuing and collecting data through surveys, compiling a research report of new and old textbook editions and working with the bookstore,

faculty and students, we are working to pressure publishers to stop their unfair practices.

In a survey issued to 287 LCC students at the beginning of the term, the average student spent \$247.13 on textbooks for the fall term. This figure doesn't even factor in the abundance of part-time students that probably only purchased a book or two, thus driving down the results of the study. Of those surveyed, more than 30 percent said that they

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Letters to the Editor

More coverage needed

Kudos to the Springfield News for its front-page coverage of LCC's latest Board of Education meeting. The Board went on record opposing the initiative petition endorsed by Kevin Mannix, Chairman of the Oregon Republican Party, to overturn the proposed income tax surcharge. Although the issue has yet to be decided, I believe the board majority acted in the best interests of the college. It's interesting to note that board member Jay Bozievich made a concerted effort to prevent a vote on the resolution using procedural rules and filibuster. Wiser heads prevailed, however, and the resolution passed with Bozievich and Paul Holman voting in opposition. Unfortunately, the Register-Guard and the LCC Torch failed to report the Board's decision. Absent comprehensive media coverage, taxpayers are left uninformed.

Pat Reilly
Eugene resident

Sports are valuable

I read "Sports reinforce wrong-thinking" and I was really offended. As an athlete at LCC, I feel Noah was being very closed-minded — not only about his opinion, but also about his facts.

First of all, the tuition was not raised because of athletics; it was raised because LCC is on a \$7 million dollar deficit. That is a fact. For his opinion, people all over the world are being taught to be different. How can the school be diverse without all athletes, artists and scholars present?

Furthermore, one could say, "Cut art because it uses paper. Save the trees!" However, students and faculty feel art is important enough in our society to exchange resources for beauty. Maybe that is because a lot of people enjoy art. It is the same for athletics.

Most people feel that it is important enough or it wouldn't be such a thriving pastime in the United States.

Lastly, Noah, a note to you: I hope you have spent at least one season on

a sports team before making such a strong decision about sports. Especially if sports are something you didn't know about. For me, in athletics if nothing else, I have learned a lot about myself. I have made a lot of wonderful long-lasting relationships and sports have really molded my life the way I would like it to be. Just as your decisions have made your life the way you want it to be.

MacKenzie Rae-Winkle
Student athlete

Why is it so hard to ride a bicycle to LCC?

I started taking classes at LCC this fall. I like to commute everywhere on my bicycle. It's good exercise, environmentally friendly and has a pace I enjoy. So how do I get to LCC on a bicycle?

Option one is to take the bus. That kind of defeats the purpose of riding a bike but there is another problem. The bus can only handle two bicycles on the rack. Based on my experience so far this term, I miss the bus about twice a week because the bike rack is full.

Option two is to come over 30th Ave. from Eugene. Besides being a very long commute for me, it involves a major hill.

Option three is to follow the riverbank trail to Island Park in Springfield and then follow Bus Route 85 over the bridge into Glenwood, down Franklin and then either over I-5 at McVay Highway or down to the next crossing at 30th. This route has no bike lane. But the worst problem is the gravel and logging trucks that speed past at 40-plus miles per hour.

After realizing the situation, I contacted LCC and ODOT officials and described the problem I was having. I learned that several times over the past years, LCC staff members have put forth major efforts to get the political jurisdictions along our access routes to start a bike path and so far these efforts have not been successful. I learned from

ODOT that a community goal for some years has been to connect Mt. Pisgah with Fern Ridge Lake via the riverbank trails and the Fern Ridge Path. I also learned that getting LCC connected to the riverbank trail begins with the ODOT TransPlan (the metropolitan areas transportation planning document). It seems a shame not to utilize this nice flat stretch between the riverbank trail and LCC for a decent bicycle route.

Please urge ODOT and LCC staff to work together on connecting LCC to the riverbank trails.

David McLurg
LCC student

Take responsibility for your own education

I'd like to encourage fellow students to expand their horizons and look outside the box to the often-bigger picture of this complex world we live in. Take pride in yourself and don't rely solely on the established school system for your education. Knowledge is a beautiful thing, and so is independent thinking. Self-study and research are also useful tools in forming our own thoughts and opinions of the complex issues of our day.

Educated minds both in and out of school is what it will take to cure cancer, house the homeless, feed the hungry, clean up the environment, improve race relations and promote global peace and stability. While our educational system is good and necessary, it often operates much like an assembly line that moves students through the ranks at a fast pace.

This why some university students believe the capital of the United States is Nebraska, the nation to the north of us is California and Iraq is located somewhere between Florida and Georgia.

However, the future can be as bright as we want it; it can be ours for the taking. But we must step up to the plate, educate ourselves, accept the challenge for the betterment of our world and

show the perseverance, talent, courage, tolerance, intelligence and adaptability we are all certainly capable of.

Tom Bush
LCC student

Street name deserves more thought

As a very proud native Oregonian senior I feel very insulted and hurt by capricious city councilors' infamously politically correct decision to rename a lousy piece of concrete to honor the late Martin Luther King Jr. Surely he deserves better! Even I, in my senior years, know that renaming a huge new, fancy multi-million, plainly-named Eugene Public Library in honor of this famous role model would be a more suitable tribute by far.

This sad redundancy of being number 661 or 662 in the nation is like childish thinking — or lack of thinking and originality. Or is it ingenuity and creativity at its worst? In the late 1950s, the city fathers thought it just, wise and worthwhile to have a huge celebration with the naming of Centennial Boulevard. This was to honor our forefathers, who actually came to Oregon, worked deathly hard and sacrificed everything to make this state what it is today.

I am very hurt, insulted and shamed by the questionable actions of city councilors who need very high-backed chairs, who voted to rip me off, take away from the honor given and bestowed upon my, yes, my forefathers who actually came to Oregon in the 1850s. I hope that the city councilors now realize that with so many upset, insulted and hurt native-born citizens, this issue should be put to a vote to all of us who continue to love, respect and give honor to our forefathers.

Sally J. Gandy
Eugene resident



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OPINION

Loose LIPS censorships

Hi, my name is Travis, and I'm a liberal. Each of you may hold a different impression of the definition of that word, but I'll spell out what it means to me: I believe in the power of the government to safeguard its citizens against the greed of corporate interests. I believe in socialized health care for every single one of America's citizens. I be-



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Travis D. Roderick
Columnist

lieve America has much to answer for, both internally and to other nations, before it can begin to call itself the "good guy" or "defender of freedom" with any sense of sincerity. And currently, I don't find it too far fetched to consider the possibility that George W. Bush is a reptilian alien from Alpha Dracolis, whose mission is to convert Earth into a hot ball of greenhouse gases so that his people may arrive en masse and force humans into slavery. That would explain much of his environmental policy.

No, this is not a 12-step seminar. Nor is it an excuse, nor an apology. I am simply presenting my credentials, so to speak, before I begin to ruffle some feathers and call people to task. In the past few weeks, the Torch has received a number of letters calling for the ousting of our managing editor, Liz Mayfield. These letters are in response to Liz's comments in the Opinion section of our paper, in which she espouses just that: her opinion. Her crime, of course, is holding beliefs different from those of some of the readers. The audacity. Apparently, these letter writers feel that since Liz is quite the conservative (I won't argue that point), she is thus unfit to read reporters' stories and fix grammatical errors. Or, being conservative in her outlook, she is perhaps forbidden from letting others know how she feels. Or maybe she just isn't allowed to have an opinion at all unless she double checks to insure that it's offensive to less than 5 percent of the people who might be exposed to it. Lord knows that's how the Democrats form policy these days.

Of course, what truly irks me

in this matter is that these letters undoubtedly come from my "fellow" liberals. Again, not that my short manifesto above in any way represents values the majority of liberals should hold to be self-evident, but I'm willing to bet you'd be hard pressed to find more than a handful who abhorrently disagree with it. And so it is with confusion that I read these letters as

they drip with censorship. After all, most liberals I know believe in the First Amendment and its guaranteed rights of freedom of speech and the press. I'm pretty sure that, despite the Democrats' hastily-given stamp of approval, the USA Patriot Act and its attempts at stifling the Bill of Rights were the wet dreams-turned-problem child of conservative think tanks, not liberals.

Most left-leaners would balk at the firing of a newspaper editor were she deemed too liberal by the powers that be. But make her a conservative, and apparently we've got a whole new set of rules to play by. I guess that old familiar adage has been subverted into "If you can't say something I agree with, you don't have the right to say anything at all." I really think some of these hypocrites need to follow the Bush administration's example of homogeny through intimidation and form their own version of the TIPS program, calling it LIPS: Liberals Insisting on Personality Suppression.

I know we liberals have been indoctrinated in the past couple decades to believe that if you give a conservative an inch, he (or she) will take Kunta Kinte's foot. The incredible proliferation of conservative-based radio talk shows, and even stations, has managed to turn "liberal" into a four-letter word amongst a great many moderates who struggle under the duality of wanting more social programs but lower taxes. I know this. But is the answer to become an equal and opposite reaction? Should we, as liberals, seek to build our own propaganda machine, lie by brick-

ish lie, name-calling and mud-slinging our way to dominance? Or do we instead opt to enlighten the middle class through leading by example, proving our ideas to be more than ideals and offering hope instead of reprisals?

Look, I'm not saying I want you to agree with Liz. Quite the opposite, I want you to disagree with her. I sure do. I think Rush Limbaugh is an arrogant dunderhead who deserves to be handed the same punishment he desires other junkies receive. I think the Pledge of Allegiance needs to be recognized as unnecessary in today's polyreligious schoolhouses, and not entirely because of the "under God" clause (pledging lifelong acquiescence to a star-spangled cloth seems odd to me). And while my thoughts are divided on the issue of partial-birth abortion, I certainly do not think it is the government's role to make a decision of bureaucracy on such a personal decision.

What I am saying is, Liz has a right to her opinion. There is no need to fear that the paper, under her editorial watch, will become a bastion of right-wing thinking. Were that the case, trust me, I wouldn't be here. What Liz offers instead is a commitment to making the paper the best it can be, utilizing her time and talents for the sole benefit of the paper itself, not any ideology. However, as an employee of the paper, she certainly has the right to offer up her thoughts from time to time, and more likely than not there will certainly be someone who disagrees with her (myself included). To those who call for her termination based on this, I say you are more of a threat to the freedom of speech than she is.

And more personally, by saying that she needs to be removed from the paper because her conservative bias repels the liberals from the paper, you are also telling me that my own liberal bias similarly pushes away the conservatives on campus. And I take that very seriously. This paper is aimed at the entire LCC campus, not one political bent or another. If that's how you see journalism, all I can say is, I'm glad you're not my editor.

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spent more money this term than last on their required books. In all subjects, less than half of students were successful in finding a used book. In this group, the lowest success rate occurred regarding Economics, History and Language texts.

OSPIRG is not alone in recognizing this issue. Recent articles in Eugene's Register-Guard and the New York Times have brought more attention to an attempt by students to avoid America's ridiculous textbook costs. Apparently, students have discovered that buying their book outside of the United States, and finding them overseas, will cost them half the price of purchasing the book within the US. Even bookstores at major American universities have looked for their books online through the United Kingdom's Amazon web site, in one example.

Currently, OSPIRG's textbook camp is issuing a faculty survey. We hope to better understand the instructors' view, feeling and influence on textbook costs and production practices.

By the end of the winter term of 2004, we will have compiled a comprehensive report outlining the differences between a newly issued textbook and its older edition. The results of this report will be released to various media outlets and used statewide by all five chapters of the OSPIRG organization. The main goal is to use the report to pressure publishing companies to change the frequency of new edition releases.

The most important aspect of OSPIRG's campaign is the support of faculty and fellow students. With this necessary coalition, we can make significant change in the unfair practices of textbook publishing companies. With the support of our student body, bookstore and faculty, OSPIRG's goals are attainable. We can improve the quality of our education by making it more affordable.



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Commentary underestimates value of sports

Noah Rademacher wrote an article claiming that "Athletics is a waste of time and money". (Torch, Oct.23) While I tried to read this with some objectivity and grant some credence to his argument, his facts and even his opinions were not in order and I felt I should respond. Hopefully this will shed some light on some of Noah's other claims.

First off, an athlete's main principle is not too "crush its opponent in order to be the victor." In fact, participation in athletics is more about learning to lose than it is to win. Sports teach us how to appropriately handle failure within ourselves, within a team structure, and to treat our opponents with the respect and dignity they deserve. Let's face it, we all have good times and bad times, but the measure of one's self is how we come through the bad.

As far as "being subservient to a coach," we all have someone to answer to throughout our whole lives. Knowing how to handle that effectively and dis-

covering your role within a structure is a needed skill for anyone. Furthermore, I work very closely with these athletes and coaches and I see the relationships that develop. Coaches, particularly at LCC, are incredibly concerned with

the wellbeing of each and every one of their athletes. The coach has the unenviable duty of ensuring that the ath-

letes' grades are in order, that everything is going well away from school and to see that they are representing themselves and their teammates properly within the community. The athletes realize all this and respond accordingly. As this relationship grows, it becomes something more than just a player-coach interaction. Many players rely on their previous coaches as mentors long after they're gone. Some come back and work for that coach later on, in turn becoming a positive mentor for the athletes in the program at the time. Everyone finds it hard to manage their skills without a coach these skills may well be

abused and the individual might never reach their full potential as an athlete, a student and a valuable member of society.

I had to chuckle when I read that "sports undermine the basic principles that our society was founded on." The last I checked, we were still a western civilization in the model of the ancient Greeks. The Greeks regarded athletics and competition on a level equal or perhaps even greater than their advances in education and government. Remember, the Olympics started in Greece.

Everyone is not created equal. It's a wonderful ideal, but it's simply not the case. Some have greater attributes than others and this is another fact of life that we must learn to deal with. Again, athletes gain special recognition of this as they move to higher levels and discover they no longer hold the dominance they once did.

It is hard to imagine fans paying top-dollar for nosebleed seats at Titan Court, seeing as how it only seats slightly over 2,000 and the price of admission is no

greater than \$5 for the general public and free to students. In the case of basketball, that's not even for a single game, but a doubleheader featuring our very successful men's and women's programs. Many of these athletes are in fact politically active as well. There are multiple athletes serving on the Athletics Committee and some even had to be turned away because the committee was just too large. Does this mean that they turned their backs and stalked off? No, like true athletes, they swallowed the loss and make efforts to help the committee in any way possible.

When did LCC jack tuition to support athletics? Last I knew, tuition was going up and teams were being cut. A real education is more than just bookwork. It's learning social skills, teamwork and leadership, among other qualities.

I respect Noah's right to an opinion, but I don't respect shamelessly blasting a very positive opportunity for all LCC students with little or no factual support. Boo to you Noah Rademacher, boo to you for not doing your homework.

GUEST COMMENTARY

Ryan Hague
LCC student

HALLOWEEN

Your guide to Halloween terror in town

Check out this listing of ferociously fun haunts for you and your loved ones to enjoy this year.

Campus Haunts

Halloween Party including costume contest and pumpkin carving contest, refreshments, games and face painting for all. Located in Building 1, room 201 from noon to 3:30 p.m. Hosted by ASLCC, BSU, ISCP, LSU, MCL, NASA and QSA. For more information, contact ASLCC at 463-5332.

Dia de Los Muertos hosted by the LCC Multicultural Center continues today and tomorrow. Remember loved ones who have passed on with offerings of their favorite foods that are prepared and placed on an altar with their photographs. This traditional Mexican holiday welcomes the dead to return and play with us; we'll share stories of our loved ones and be glad for the times we spent together. The Multicultural Center is Located in Building 1 upstairs. For more information, contact Susan Matthews at 463-3245 or Connie Mesquita at 463-5144.

All Day Costume party hosted by Phi Theta Kappa, Student Life, and Leadership Development. The party is open to all students and their children and will include trick or treating, activities for kids, not very spooky movies, and food and drinks. The event goes from noon to 5 p.m. and will be held in the Student Life and Leadership lounge, Building 1, Room. 206. For more information contact Tina at 463-5336 or Phi Theta Kappa at 463-3238.

The Women's Center will be celebrating Halloween with an open house on from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Come join us for treats and cheer. Costumes are welcome. For more information contact Paula Sena at 463-5352.

For assorted creatures of the night

House of Funkinstein featuring Satin Love Orchestra will be held at the Eugene Hilton Ballroom at 9:30 p.m. Tickets are available from Ticketwest at Safeway, Eugene Hilton, the Wild Duck, by phone at (800) 992-8499 or at www.ticketwest.com. 21 and over. The Hilton is located at 66 E. 16th Ave. For more information, contact the Hilton at 342-2000.

Scary (Cherry) Poppin Daddies and Vagient UK will play at the McDonald theatre. Doors open at 8 p.m., show starts at 9 p.m. and is open to all ages, however, seating is limited. Tickets are \$13 and may be purchased in advance at all Ticketwest outlets,

or on the day of show at the McDonald theatre box office. The McDonald theatre is located at 1010 Wilamette St. in Eugene. For more information, contact the theatre at 345-4442.

Haunted House at the WOW Hall featuring the "psychedelic bluegrass" of the sugar Beets and the "seismic Gypsy hypno jazz" of Taarka. Each band will perform an acoustic set. Costumes encouraged. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. Doors open at 8 p.m., show starts at 8:30 p.m. All ages. The WOW Hall is located at 291 west 8th Ave. in Eugene. For more information, contact the WOW Hall at 687-2746.

Rocky Horror Picture Show in the EMU Gumwood Room. The annual screening includes a live show as well as a free party afterwards and features a costume contest, "Rocky Horror" trivia, prizes, food and drinks. 9 p.m. The cost is \$6. The EMU is located at 1222 13th Ave. in Eugene on the UO campus. For more information contact Nicole Matthys at 346-0633.

Halloween Party at the Campbell Club. Live music from Some Cheap Christ, Nero, The Corrosive Quartet and more! Goes from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. \$2 with costume, \$3 without. The Campbell Club is located at 1670 Alder St. in Eugene. For more information, contact the club at 683-3453.

For All Ghouls

Halloween Event hosted by FOOD for Lane County, the Fifth Street Public Market and NW Natural, featuring trick-or-treating, live music and a silent auction at the Fifth Street Public Market. Admission is free when bringing three cans or boxes of food. The evening also will include children's Halloween arts and crafts and late evening shopping. Live music will be Metal Detector, Choco Blanco, Hip Pocket, Saltlick, the John Shipe Band and Mood Area 52. For more information, contact Dana Turell at FOOD for Lane County at 343-2822.

Lonepine Farm's Haunted Nights Corn Maze is open from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. and is \$10 per person. The Spider Web corn maze is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and is \$4 for children 6 and under and \$6 for adults. Pumpkin Patch Express rides run from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and are \$2 per person. Lonepine Farm is located at 91909 River Road in Junction City. For more information, contact the farm at 688-4389.

Scream in the Dark Haunted House at the Lane County Fairgrounds Expo Hall. The event, organized by the Eugene Active 20-30 club, goes from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. and is open to anyone 6 and over. Cost is \$6 and goes to support children's charities. For

more information, contact Andrea Brunsvold at anderablackham@msn.com.

For Wee Ghouls

Haunted Barn hosted by the Petersen Barn Community Center for children ages 3 to 11. The event goes from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and will offer a variety of scares, games and goodies. The cost is \$3 per child. Parents also welcome

Haunted Barn Dance From 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Petersen Barn will also host an event for older ghouls ages 11 to 17. The event will include a variety of games, food, music and more. Pre-registration is required due to limited space. The cost is \$5 per person. The Petersen Barn Community Center is located at 870 Berntzen Road in Eugene. For more information on either event, call 682-5521.

Halloween Carnival hosted by Riviera Baptist Church featuring games, candy, crafts and prizes from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Kids up to age 11 are invited to the free carnival. Riviera Baptist Church is located at 3071 River Road. For more information, contact Beth Counts at 463-7653.

Freaky Friday Fun Fest hosted by the Springfield Free Methodist Church. The event features a haunted house, pumpkin bowling and other games and will run from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. with free snacks! The Springfield Free Methodist Church is located at 1020 Janus St. in Springfield. For more information, contact the church at 726-9324.

Children's Harvest Carnival hosted by Crossfire Outreach Ministries featuring costumes, storytelling and games beginning at 7 p.m. Admission is free. The church is located at 90890 Coburg Road in Eugene. For more information, contact Crossfire at 686-5433.

Harvest Carnival hosted by LIFE! Lutheran School includes games, food and prizes from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The school is located at the corner of 18th Avenue and Hilyard Street in Eugene. Admission is free. For more information, contact the school at 342-5433.

Spooky, Kooky Safari hosted by Wildlife Safari from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. The event will feature activities, candy and more. Admission is free. Costumes are encouraged. Wildlife Safari is in Winston, near Roseburg. For more information, contact Wildlife Safari at 679-6761, Ext. 231.

Living Sacrifice hosted by Westside Youth. A teenage Halloween party with Fear Factor challenges, capture the flag and tons of candy and soda. The event will run from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. For more information, contact Andy Mahoney at 968-7897.

MUUUUUUHAAAAHA- Movie Guide

Good tips for
ghastly movie rentals.

Melissa Vandever
A&E editor

Staying home or throwing a party? These spooky movies are sure to cause screams... or laughter.

The Never-Ending Series: These include the Halloween, Friday the 13th and Nightmare on Elm St. movies. By watching one series from the first to last movie, you can see how special effects have gotten better and plot originality has gotten worse. Laugh or scream at the bad special effects in the first movies.

And Then There Was the Remake: Watch some spooky classics and their modern remakes, including Psycho, Carrie, The Exorcist and Dracula.

Childishly Evil: Something innocent gone horrifyingly awry: It, the Child's Play movies and Pet Cemetery.

Horror/Comedy: Includes Scream movies from which we learn that if you say, "I'll be right back," you are going to die.

Sleepy Hollow: oh what fun it is to count severed heads...and find out how many times Johnny Depp faints. (The answer is 5).

Scary movie(s): don't try to count the "Waszzzups".

Any Steven King or Was Craven movie.

And Movies about: Zombies, werewolves, vampires, witches, warlocks, evil, demons, ghosts, or undead anythings... unless the title begins with "The attack of," or "House of".

Find the Titan Logo

Hidden somewhere in this weeks Torch is another Titan logo, (like this one). Find it and receive a FREE can of pop from your SRC.

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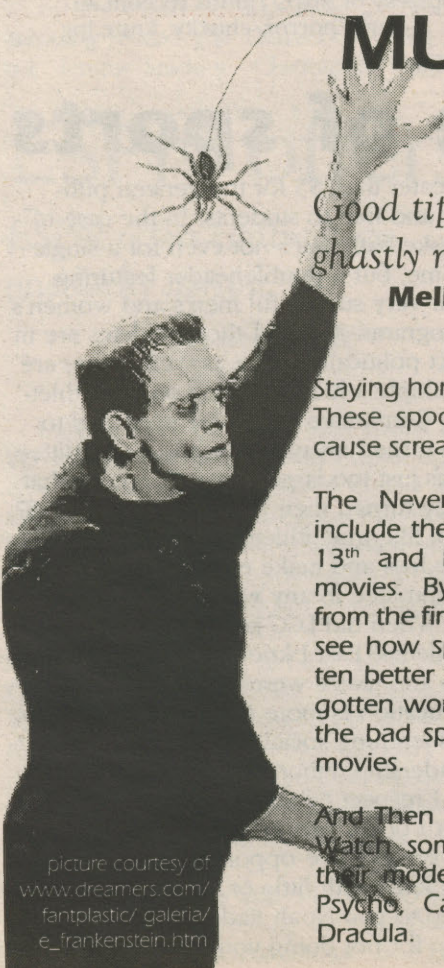
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Register to vote at your SRC's today!



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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Mexican holiday honors dearly departed with celebration of life

Day of the Dead is absent the terror of Halloween.

Melissa Vandever
A&E Editor

Death. It seems to be everywhere this time of year, from the leaves falling with the change of season to the theme of upcoming holidays. Although there will be plenty of ghouls and goblins out to scare on Halloween, there is another holiday devoted to death that has a less morbid perspective.

The Mexican holiday Dia de los Muertos Day of the Dead is a time when families come together to honor and celebrate the lives of loved ones who have passed away. Instead of being feared, death is embraced and accepted through this holiday's festivities.

"For Dia de los Muertos, families make Ofrendas — remembrance tables — with pictures of their loved ones and things they enjoyed in life," said Multicultural center coordinator Connie Mesquita, "They invite loved ones to come and enjoy family life again."

Mesquita describes Ofrendas as tiered tables covered with a white tablecloth. On the top tier is a picture of the person being remembered and on the lower levels are candles, incense, holy pictures or religious things, some of their favorite things in life and water to keep evil spirits away.

The families also commonly make sugar skulls to place on the Ofrendas.

Traditionally, Dia de los Muertos was celebrated in the rural cemeteries on Nov. 1 and 2.

"It was a time for people to clean the cemeteries, decorate the graves, pray and sing songs," said Mesquita. "The first day offerings were made remembering angelitos — little children — and the next day those remembering adults."

People usually spent the night in these cemeteries and stayed there for both days. Because in many places this is no longer allowed, Dia de los Muertos is now celebrated with Ofrendas.

"Dia de los Muertos comes from the mixing of the Catholic All Saints day and a traditional Aztec holiday," said Mesquita.

The original holiday was cel-



Photo by Travis D. Roderick

Personal mementos decorate two celebratory altars, or 'ofrendas,' in the Multicultural Center in observance of the Hispanic holiday, Dia de los Muertos. The ofrendas will be in a constant state of flux this week, since anyone is welcome to participate and bring their own remembrances of deceased loved ones to line the altars.

brated on the ninth month of the Aztec solar calendar (sometime around the beginning of August) but was moved to November because of the Catholic influence of the Spaniards.

The Multicultural center is celebrating Dia de los Muertos this week and next week by making Ofrendas and having a Day of the Dead celebration on Nov. 7. The celebration goes

from noon to 2 p.m. in Building 1, Room 201. The event includes storytelling, snacks and a video about Dia de los Muertos. Students and staff are invited to attend and participate.

RE-PULSE

For this week's special Halloween Pulse, we asked some well-known monsters:

What's the scariest part of living in Oregon these days?



Creature from the Black Lagoon
Marine Biology

"The Willamette River. It's disgusting!"



The Wolfman
Veterinary Medicine

"The fact that I look just like everyone else in Eugene."



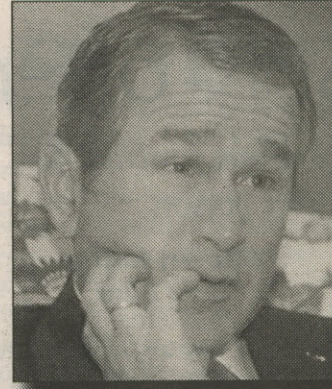
Frankenstein's Monster
General Science

"[B&B] Fire bad!"



Dracula
Phlebotomy

"All those mosquitoes with the West Nile virus. Gives bloodsuckers a bad name."



George W. Bush
Undecided

"All the poor people. Oh, and the outrageous \$10 tax most corporations in the state have to pay. It just ain't fair."

SPORTS

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LCC's top runners compete for All-American status

Cross-country teams head to Spokane, Wash. for final meet.

Shawn Miller
Sports Editor

Cross-country, a sport determined by a lengthy off-road course, is growing at LCC. Last season, the Titans bounced from good to bad and struggled to find consistency. This season, LCC has gotten better after each competition and now as the season comes to an end, the Titans have created excitement with their winning ways.

In their most recent meet, both the LCC men and women finished third at the Southern Region Championships held at LCC on Saturday, Oct. 25. On the men's side, sophomores Rowdy Sargeson (26:13) and Cody Loy (26:42) finished third and sixth, respectively. Sargeson finished 41 seconds behind the winner.

Sophomore Josh Byerly placed sixteenth with a time of 28:46. Sophomore Sean Torossa and freshman Lee Ordonez finished twenty-second and

twenty-third. Freshman Doug McCallum ended the scoring for the Titans at twenty-seventh with a time of 30:56. LCC totaled 65 points, eight behind second-place Clark Community College.

"With only four teams there it was really a small meet. It was important, but we were preparing for the NWAACC championships. As a team, our finish was a little disappointing because we could have finished second, but we are using it for motivation at the league championships," said Head Coach Grady O'Conner.

For the women, sophomore Stephanie Carter led the way with a fourth-place finish in 19:52. Sophomore Erin Gerhardt, freshman Mary Chelone and sophomore Katie Nusbaum finished ninth, eleventh and twelfth, respectively. Freshman Kristina Hrabal and sophomore Megan Confer placed eighteenth and nineteenth. Sophomore Teresa Miller rounded out the meet for the Titans with a thirtieth-place finish.

"I really like our chances for both teams [at NWAACC championship meet]. We run a lot better with more schools. The Southern Regions was more of

a workout feel than a race. We now know what to do," said O'Conner.

Last year, the men finished seventh and the women fifth at the NWAACC championship. "We are hoping to improve on last year's performance," said O'Conner. "We will give it our all. We have a good 1-2 punch with Sargeson and Loy and I will emphasize with our younger guys to pack up and hopefully surprise some teams."

O'Conner sees the women finishing anywhere from first to fifth. "Every single lady has to show up and compete their hardest. We will be resting up and getting our legs back after a hard season of training."

Instead of bussing to Spokane, Wash. for the championship meet, the team is flying the day before. A decision that the athletes would have to pay half of the cost was voted for and the total costs remain "pretty much the same" according to O'Conner.

Several Titans have a realistic chance at All-American honors, which is placing in the top seven at the NWAACC championship meet. The meet will be held Nov. 8.



Photo by Travis D. Roderick

Cross-country member Lee Ordonez fights an uphill battle against his Mt. Hood competition at the Southern Region Championships on Saturday, Oct. 25. The LCC team placed third in the event.

Volleyball closing out season on pace for playoffs

The LCC volleyball loses heartbreaker, but rallies back.

Shawn Miller
Sports Editor

Fighters. Scrappers. Goal seekers. However they are classified, the LCC volleyball team won't give up. In the final season before the sport is cut, the Titans have a winning record and continue on pace to achieve a birth in the playoffs at this season's end.

In an effort to maintain a winning record, the Titans hosted league-leading Clackamas

Community College. Clackamas has lost only one league match this season and defeated LCC solidly in the first meeting this season.

The first game went back and forth between each team before Clackamas won 30-28. In the second game, the outcome was exactly the same with the Titans losing 28-30. Unbelievably, the third game was another repeat, except this time LCC lost 27-30, losing the match in straight sets.

"They were really ready and out for blood. We played well, but they weren't letting us in. They were definitely ready for us and knew that we were a different team than before," said

sophomore MacKenzie Rae-Winkle.

"It would have been a great win. I told the kids that this was the first time this season they were put out in straight sets. However, in all three games we were really close and if we could have gotten that match, it would have put us in the driver's seat," said Head Coach Dale Weigandt.

The Titans seemed to learn from their battle with Clackamas when they hosted Redwoods Community College on Saturday, Oct. 25. The first two games were won solidly, both ending 30-13. In the third game, the Titans shifted the line-up

and fell behind early. LCC battled back, but eventually, lost 24-30. That was the only defeat. The fourth game finished much like the first two, with the Titans winning 30-14 to improve to a 9-7 record this season.

"I threw in the match with Redwoods for a play date because we had no other match for a week and a half," said Weigandt. Freshman Brianna McLeod had 21 kills and nine digs and freshman Kristen Diehl added 28 assists and seven aces for the Titans.

"With the exception of the third game, the kids did well to stay together. Anytime you beat

a team by 10 points or more, you're pretty solid in rally scoring," said Weigandt.

With only five matches left, the season's end is creeping near. The reality of a playoff spot is becoming clearer for the Titans.

"SWOCC and Linn-Benton are must win games. If we hold serve and everybody in the league takes care of business, we should go [to the playoffs]," said Weigandt.

The next match for the Titans is a road trip to Vancouver Oct. 31 and Nov. 1 to play twice. LCC returns home on Wednesday, Nov. 5, when they host SWOCC at 7 p.m.

ESPN offers opportunity of a lifetime

ESPN offers contract for one lucky person.

Shawn Miller
Sports Editor

I sign up for way too many sports activities online. Everyday, when I open up my email account, there are new emails from various sport outlets filling up my inbox. For once, one of these emails paid off by offering an amazing opportunity: to get a one-year contract with ESPN as a sports-caster.

The contest ran from Sept. 16 through Oct. 26 and spanned over 29 cities. In New York, 1,008 people showed up. However, the average per city is approximately 350 people. ESPN came to Portland on Oct. 22, where I waited in line for approximately two hours before my turn to impress the judges.

Once inside, the first-step was to take a 30-question test finding out my sports knowledge, with a five-minute time limit.

After two judges graded the test, the order of the line was determined by who got the most correct answers. Then we were taken to a round-table discussion.

At the discussion, two judges told all contestants to announce the play-by-play of our favorite play from any sport. While this was a little embarrassing, I chose the play of the University of Oregon's Joey Harrington throwing an 80-yard touchdown pass to Samie Parker in the 2002 Fiesta Bowl. I tried to come up with some enthusiasm on the spot.

After listening to the other seven contestants in my group embarrass themselves, the judges asked several questions regarding different sports. We were supposed to give our opinion and try to do so in a SportsCenteresque way.

The first question asked was, "Should high school athletes be allowed to go straight to the NBA without a stop in college?" I decided to go for the shock answer and argued that a mandate should be put in place requiring athletes to have a minimum one-year stay in a college before

entering the NBA draft. This answer was immediately met with negative response in opposition. As I argued my point, seven others argued the opposing viewpoint and all I could think was, "Just argue respectfully and the judges might like that."

Other questions asked were, "Who will win the Stanley Cup?" and "Will the Marlins win the World Series this year?" The discussion ended with the judges asking each one of us our favorite sports movie, which I answered "Rudy" confidently.

After the judges end each five-minute discussion, they discuss whether anyone would be chosen for an additional interview. One person from every city is picked to attend one of five different regionals in November. From there, two people from each region are chosen to head to the national final which involves living in a house together in Bristol, Conn. where they compete for the contract with ESPN.

"We are still formatting the creative aspects of the show as we film them [contestants] compete for the contract," said

See **ESPN** page 6

ROAD CLOSURES

On Saturday, Nov. 1, the OSAA high school state cross-country meet will cause the closure of main campus' east entrance, Eldon Schafer Drive, from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. The west entrance, Gonyea Road, will remain open. If you are working or attending classes that day, be prepared for heavy traffic. Thanks for your patience and cooperation. For more information contact Sharon Foster at 463-5599.

TILT

Love of eBay turns to ban from eBay

I hate garage sales. Not so much garage sales as the garage sale regulars. "50 cents, huh? I'll give you a quarter..." I guess I thought fifty cents was a good price for a VCR!

Recently, I stumbled upon a garage sale bigger than Texas. It's called eBay. (Yes, I have been living in a cave.)

Here, at one convenient location, is all the junk you could ever buy - a worldwide block sale open 24 hours a day, without the hassle of the aforementioned hounds.



TRISH SAYS...

Trish Lewis
Columnist

My head reeled the way it does when I stand on the roof wondering if the neighbors can hear me singing.

It started with a simple search for Nintendo games. I had saved every

princess in sight and needed some fresh meat. I typed the words "Nintendo Mario Games" and voila - 342 matches. I felt like a brat beneath the tree on Christmas morning: presents for miles and every one of them calling my name.

Four dollars for Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles? I'm in there!

I registered a username, created a password, and proceeded to bid my brains out.

After rounding out my Nintendo collection, I decided to do some birthday shopping, a little something for the people who have to put up with my BS full-time.

For my best friend, I found a brand new Care Bears watch for \$5 dollars! Man, it was a good day. I cranked the volume on my Napster Loot Player and bid \$7.75 just to be safe.

The auction would end in 26 minutes, so I broke for lunch.

When I returned 25 minutes later, my bid stood strong. Funshine was all mine. As I daydreamed about the hero I would become in presenting this gift, I had mail. I checked the inbox and found a message from eBay. Someone had outbid me for the watch.

You're kidding! What kind of person would do that to a girl on her birthday?

I stormed back to raise my bid at eBay, where I found the following message: This auction is closed. Winning bidder is a-hole@hotmail.com.

My jaw dropped. My knuckles whitened. My eyes puffed out the way they do when the Ducks lose in overtime. Could he do that? Can he just wait until the last second and outbid me? I contacted eBay, and they said that bidders were permitted to do that.

At that point I lost my mind. I scoured eBay for new and better presents. I tracked down Care Bear blankets, Care Bear calendars, Care Bear underwear. I bid on everything with a "beat this" and a "take that." I bid on items I didn't even want just so other people couldn't have them.

Recovering from my fugue, I felt compensated, as if my ego had finished a seven-course meal. I outbid the whole world.

Then something curious happened: you've got mail, you've got mail, you've got, you've got, you've got mail...

I was winning bids left and right. I won lunch pails and back scratchers, a shot glass signed by Satan, a pair of used panties. The calculator said that I owed more money than I would earn this year, plus self-storage.

Invoices poured in telling me where to send my checks. Some offered PayPal. Others demanded money orders. I was comatose. There was only one thing to do: I pretended it was all a bad dream, the way my dad did the night I was conceived.

A month later, 162 messages waited for me. They began as introductions and friendly reminders, and then worked themselves into threats about my reputation and ultimately to attacks on my lineage.

Then came the notice from eBay. It was flagged not with an exclamation point but with a skull-and-crossbones.

"The following people have reported that you won their auction but failed to pay. Because you have not responded to our repeated letters, we have labeled you a Non-Paying Bidder (NPB) and cancelled your membership to eBay."

That was that. I was an NPB. I was banned from eBay. They posted my face on the register with a sign reading, "Do not take bids from this woman."

I didn't mean it. It's just that there were so many other bidders. And no matter how early I woke up, the sun was already rising elsewhere.

I'd tell you about the phone call I received and the curse placed on my firstborn child, but I'm busy right now. In three minutes I'll be the proud new owner of a camcorder at Ubid.

off the mark

by Mark Parisi

www.offthemark.com



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Other

Need ride to Southern California at end of term. Can pay half the gas and do half the driving. (541) 607-0001.

Services

Pam's Daycare, safe & loving, Springfield, Close to LCC, 744-7078 or 514-4151.

For Rent

House for rent. 1295 E. 29th Place. Near Laurelwood golf course. 5 bedrooms, 3 bath, 2 car garage, 2 fireplaces, separate shop. All appliances and yard care included. \$1,750 /mo. Call David or Bonkana 349-0230.

For Sale

'86 Subaru- 2 door hatchback. White. Manual. In decent shape. Needs work on head gasket. \$450 OBO. Please call 510-1274.

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Events

The soul on campus. Bible Study every Wednesday at noon. Bldg. 1, Room 212.

Help Wanted

Reliable couple to deliver papers week-ends. \$65 for 5-hours work. Must have dependable car. 485-8961.

Wanted To Buy

Free Weight set with bench. Looking to spend under \$50. Contact Dina at 461-3885 leave message/number.

Opportunities

ASLCC, Your student government is looking for a motivated professionally minded representative to serve as a student Senator. Applications are due Wednesday, Nov. 3 at Noon and can be picked up in Room 210m Student's First! Bldg. #1.

Free classified ads

For all LCC Students and Staff — Deadline for submissions is 5 p.m. on Monday, prior to Thursday publication.

ESPN from page 7

Dream Job's casting producer Jason Blake. "It is not like any reality show because in the end the winner gets a real job."

Keen sports knowledge, great personality, charisma and a different, unique style are the characteristics or "total package" that ESPN is looking.

"Knowledge of sports is very important, but we aren't just taking a person with only that characteristic," said Blake. "We got people from all walks of life. We've had a lot of college students, even a bra specialist, a nuclear power plant control room operator and a port-a-potty pickup and delivery driver."

The experience for me was once in a lifetime. I have seen the different views of many sports fans and although I wasn't called back, I am proud I took my shot when this opportunity arose. From this experience, I am even more reinforced that sports journalism is the career path I will take. I hope and I will work to get to the point when another ESPN opportunity arise. I will improve and I will be good enough to be added to the staff.



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BACK PAGE

The Pulse

The Sci-Fi Channel recently announced plans to sue the Federal Government over an alleged UFO coverup in the 1970s. What do you think will be uncovered?



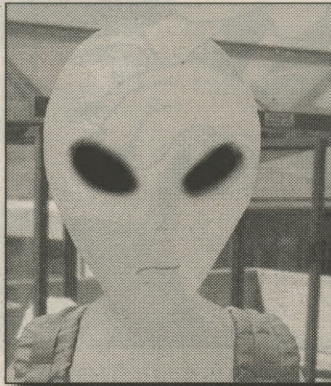
Katie McLean
Multimedia

If the government has documents proving aliens exist, they should release them. I'd like to know.



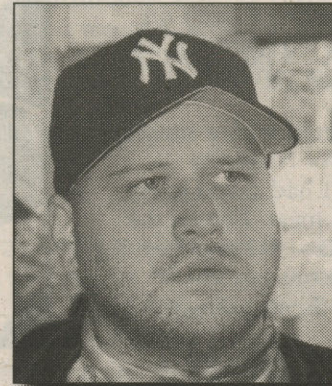
Molly Kate Campbell

They won't get the documents. With all the attention on elections and Iraq, this issue isn't gonna take the public spotlight.



Xswr
Science Major

The government knows nothing. You have seen nothing.



Ryan Scarlett
Nursing

I don't believe in aliens; there's not enough evidence to prove they exist. The solar system has no other life besides Earth.



Angela Jaster
Art

The UFOs have planned this from the beginning. It's all part of their comprehensive plan to slowly make humans aware of their presence.

Compiled by Sean Hoffman

Lunchtime videos focus on diversity

Friday afternoon flicks offer various perspectives.

Aidan Keuter
Staff Writer

The Women's Center video series is returning this year after a successful first term last spring with a showing every Friday at noon through Dec. 12.

Jill Bradley, The Women's Center program director, said that the overall theme of the series is endorsing diversity. The videos cover a range of subjects including the "Ellen" show, racism, Kwanzaa and a video of a stand up act by comedian Margaret Cho scheduled for finals week.

"A good way to end the week," Bradley describes the videos as an "informal learning experience for Lane students and staff as well as the community."

Bradley says she had the Reading Together program in mind when selecting the videos for this term.

The video series program started spring term and reaction was so strong that plans have been made to continue the videos throughout the year with special emphasis on March, which is women's history month. Some instructors are offering extra credit to their students that watch a video that is relevant their classes.

For more information call the Women's Center at 463-5353 or drop in at Building 1, Room 202.

Video Schedule

Nov. 7 -	Writing Women's Lives
Nov. 14 -	Without Reservations: notes on racism in Montana
Nov. 21 -	The Real Ellen Story
Dec. 5 -	Margaret Cho stand up comedy concert
Dec. 12 -	The Celebration of Kwanzaa: Echoes of Africa

FAIR from page 1

on Nov. 1, from noon to 3 p.m. in the cafeteria.

LCC high school and community coordinator Karen Edmonds says the fair is a great even for high school students getting ready for college.

"It's for high school students to come and 'college shop.' The college fair attracts representatives from about 115 colleges from all around the nation. We have a great mix of colleges," Edmonds said.

Each year, the Mid-Willamette fair attracts about 1,000 attendees, says Edmonds.

And there is much more for students to do than just browse

booths. The fair also hosts two workshops during the one-day event.

At noon, the college planning workshop is scheduled to begin. Here students will learn how to choose which college best fits their needs and how plan for that big leap into adulthood.

The second workshop is scheduled at 1:30 p.m. to teach students the basics of the financial aid process.

Colleges and universities slated to attend include Oregon State, The College of the Atlantic in Maine and Minnesota's St. Olaf College just to name a few.

High school seniors who at-

tend the fair are also eligible to enter their name into a scholarship drawing.

High School senior, Edgar Morton said, "I just heard about it in our school's Career Center and it sounds really interesting."

Morton is looking for a school in Oregon.

"My sister was just telling me that they didn't have anything like that when she was going off to college," said Morton. "It sounds like something that can really make the transition easier."

For more information on the Mid-Willamette College Fair contact coordinator Karen Edmonds at 463-5688.

ROOM AVAILABLE FOR RAMADAN

For the month of Ramadan, the computer room in the Multicultural Center is available for prayers. All Muslims who wish to pray are invited to join us. We have three prayer rugs for your use. Hours are from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. every day through Nov. 27. For more information contact Susan Matthews at 463-3245



\$25 for a logo

LCC is hosting the Northwest Career Educators and Employers Association Conference (NCEEA) and we are looking for a logo. Diversity is the central theme of the conference and the logo should be a simple, but creative, representation of this theme. Please send entries to or drop them off at the Cooperative Education office (Bldg. 19, Room 231). All entries must be submitted by 4 p.m. Nov. 13, 2003. The logo selected will receive a \$25 prize.