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## No cuts to LCC with or without Measure 30

*Although the money could be used to partially restore under-funded programs.*

**Jason Nelson**  
Staff Writer

Measure 30 has perhaps been the most mysterious measure in Oregon's ballot history. Little campaigning has been seen yet the measure produces heated debates statewide.

But from what we know, if Measure 30 fails, it will trigger budget cuts totaling \$544.6 million to education, health-care and senior services statewide. So what does that mean for Lane Community College? Tuition increases? Dropped Courses? Lost jobs?

LCC President Mary Spilde said no, at least not this year. "We developed our 2003-2004 budget from the Governor's projected budget that did not include the money from the tax increase, she said."

"But if Measure 30 fails, it's \$900,000 a year LCC won't have access to," she added.

That is what Spilde said could be the problem because Measure 30 is a temporary tax increase that will increase taxes for three years. The outcome of the measure could have lasting effects in Oregon.

Just last December the budget was projected at stable but a deficit was forecasted in 2007 and Spilde said with no state funding it could get even worse.

Spilde said, "Loss of that \$900,000 this

year, given our projections would be fine but were looking two years out, and that money makes a difference in 2007."

"We already had to cut \$5 million out of the budget and last year we cut \$3 million and we had to increase tuition," she said, "That \$900,000 could be put to good use. Although we built our budget without the money this year, we had to make some tough choices, to not be affected. Failure of Measure 30 will cause some more budget shortfalls in the future."

If Oregon voters pass Measure 30, the money received will go into the budget for the 2004-2005 school year.

Spilde said, "If the measure passes, the budget committee will look at college programs and what we need to do to better serve the community."

Current students shouldn't have any worries about the outcome of Measure 30 and its effects on their education this year and the next. The budget has been set and is projected clear, however, an extra \$900,000 would allow the college to increase programs and services.

But, the failure of the measure will effect education and services in the 2006-2007 year and thereafter because the school will not have any state funding. This will cause college programs and services to be reduced if not eliminated.

One program that is preparing for the future at LCC is the Student Health



Photos by Travis D. Roderick

ASLCC President Rebecca Hill holds up ballots at a rally on Wednesday to remind students of the importance of voting, particularly on Measure 30. Other speakers at the rally included Oregon state senators Floyd Prozanski and Vicki Walker, LCC President Mary Spilde and LCC Board of Education Chair Mike Rose. ASLCC staffers were on hand to accept voter registration forms.

Center.

Interim Director, Mona Arbuckle said, "It's hard to project into the future without knowing. One half of our funding comes from the general fund and the other half comes from the student fee that all students pay."

If Measure 30 fails the Health Center will be faced with some tough choices, not serving faculty anymore and only

serving students and not being allowed to expand their staff which is something Arbuckle was looking forward to doing.

"There is always that possibility of increasing students fee but that's something that we don't want to do," she said.

Through all the uncertainties in the

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## Culinary arts program cooking up big changes

*Department working on regional competition, national accreditation.*

**Aidan Keuter**  
Staff Writer

Lane Community College will hold its own 'super bowl' on Feb. 1. That afternoon The LCC Culinary Arts program will host the Junior State Championship Culinary Competition.

Teams from across the state will be showcasing their skills in two categories: knife practicals and contemporary hot foods. In lay terms that means that each chef in training is required to chop vegetables to meet exact specifications, debone a chicken, and fillet a fish in 75 minutes. In another 75 minutes they are required to prepare a four-course meal for the judges.

This year's competition has some added pressure for the LCC team, however. The program is in the last stage of a five-year process to get accredited by the American Culinary Federation (ACF) and since the Junior Culinary Competition is an ACF event, it wouldn't hurt to win.

Last year LCC finished second in the state on their first ever entry into the competition. This year's team has five competing members, two alternates, and a coach and all have been working in hopes of winning the title this year.

The team works on their own time and the students



Photo by Megan Wilson

Culinary team member Eiji Sato debones a chicken as part of his Knife Practical practice. Sato and his team members have been busy preparing for the upcoming Junior State Championship Culinary Competition.

earn no credit for participating. When asked why she wanted to compete, team member Nina Comiskey noted that it "looks good on a resume" also mentioning experience and pride.

What's the hardest part? "Probably the massive amounts of time," said Comiskey.

Coach Tif Rockett, also a LCC student, says that she's feeling confident about the team's chances this year, describing the team as "awesome."

Later this year, on May 1, representatives from the home office of the American Culinary Federation are coming to Eugene to visit LCC for two days of final reviews and walkthroughs before they make a decision on the school's admittance to the national program. Executive chefs Clive Wanstall and John Onstenk both say they feel "very confident" that LCC will be awarded the accreditation.

An ACF certification means a lot for the Culinary Arts program and LCC. The ACF is the only organization recognized by the United States Labor Board to certify chefs and cooks. "Lawyers have to pass the bar, doctors have the ADA, chefs have the ACF," said Onstenk.

Getting this far has not been easy, though. The staff has worked to update training procedures and revamping parts of the curriculum.

The completion of Building 19 was also essential in being considered for accreditation. The building includes a kitchen, designed in part by Wanstall, and an expanded classroom space dedicated to the Culinary and Hospitality programs.

Getting the accreditation would make LCC the only public accredited school in the state.

This would make the LCC culinary program more prestigious and guarantee more students, says Wanstall, since getting a good job after graduation is easier coming from an ACF certified school.

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### WEEKEND WEATHER

Mostly Cloudy  
chance of  
showers  
47/35



Mostly Cloudy  
chance of  
showers  
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### Coming next week:

Measure 30 results  
and follow-up



# OPINION

## I'm hopping mad and I'm not quite sure what to do about it!

I really could have gone either way on this election. I can see both sides and I wouldn't blame anyone for whichever way they voted on this one. But in the end, I had to side with the heartless bastards who think the state should get its priorities straight before we turn on the money hose.

Why do education, health and human services always end up on the chopping block while PERS reform and auditing SAIF are put on the back burner? It's nothing short of extortion. But the bottom line is that sometimes you need to pay the ransom.

Last year, I voted yes on Measure 28 and I felt like a gutless weasel for voting my fears instead of my principles.

This time, I voted no on the tax increase and I feel like an unfeeling monster. Next time (in the all-too-near future), when we're asked for more money, I'll probably end up voting yes — just to keep things even.

But then again ... maybe I won't.

Immediately after Measure 28 went down last year, the Oregon House of Representatives passed House Bill 2001, which was supposed to be the first step towards PERS reform.

It may be time for a belt-tightening contest with the state government. They're going to keep cutting from the

programs that matter most to us until they've cut all there is to cut. Maybe we need to let them keep cutting until we, their constituents, finally get mad enough at the situation to

vote in new representatives rather than new tax surcharges.

We need a long-term solution. We need

a budget plan that will not self-destruct if the economy happens to be bad. People need access to education, medicine, law enforcement and social services regardless of how the economy is doing.

For crying out loud, the economy always goes up and

down. As the saying goes, "The bull comes up the stairs but the bear goes out the window." In other words, the financial markets generally tend to rise slowly and fall quickly. This is true of other economic indicators as well.

Since we know that the economy can head south in a jiffy and since it's obvious that our past attempts to be ready for a rainy day have failed — it's clear that we need a new, long-term plan.

Such a plan is not far-fetched. Though I am wary of making such comparisons, many businesses and families have budget plans that provide for rainy days.

But as long as the taxpayers of this state are good for a few

more bucks, the legislature has no compelling reason to make a long-term plan. If we want to see a long-term plan from the state government, we're going to have to force its hand. Otherwise our representatives will continue to hold our state for ransom.

I like the way local radio talk show host, independent Dan Carlin, puts it. "These people are telling us we need to vote yes on Measure 30 in order to keep our heads above water but these same people are standing in line to dump more water on our heads."

Maybe it's time to take a stand. Or maybe it's time to give in again. Either way is a rough road and people will be hurt no matter what. That's the shame.



### MIDDLE OF THE ROAD-KILL

Gabe Bradley  
Columnist

## Letters to the Editor

### Bush is a space case

As a great grandmother, presidents come and go, but never have I heard so much inaccuracy in any State of the Union speech. Is "the" President already on Mars? Becoming unemployed in 2005, perhaps his physical and abstract worlds might somehow unite. "Our economy is strong," he said. Right, 1,000 jobs in Dec. 2003? Eight million unemployed middle-class Americans aren't believing his propaganda. And no mention of gifts to his cronies, the no-bid, billion dollar contracts.

The media tries to convince the masses that black is white and a strong economy equals mass unemployment. Association in mass media: FDR had a Scottie and JFK promised the moon-landing. What photo-opportunistic copy-cat idea will this no-thinking, unoriginal, former outstanding military man come up with next? It's a foolish idea to steal from social security to gamble, is it not?

It's insane to spend billions (debt of deficit spending for your grandkids) to explore Mars, when 99 percent know the money is better spent here in this world. Perhaps when one is in a separate "Mars world" already, it does sound like a good project.

Sally Gandy  
Eugene resident

### Vote on February 3

Currently in my third year of the "two year" AAOT program here at LCC, I have noticed drastic changes from the fall of 2001. The most obvious change is tuition, which has increased every year. The most time consuming changes are the dreadful lines. To get just about any financial issue taken care of (aid, credit-line, non-credit-card payments), it takes a minimum of one hour standing and waiting in line just to talk to a real person at "Students First." By the time I actually am able to talk to someone, the few minutes of "help" I receive from tired and over-worked staff doesn't feel like it even begins to justify my hours of waiting.

I know that I am not the only one feeling such

resentment, but it definitely is not productive to direct that energy toward the administration on campus. What can be productive is educating ourselves on Measure 30 and actively participating in the Feb. 3 election. Ballots have already been sent out. If you didn't receive one but have ever registered to vote in the state of Oregon, there still is time to get a ballot and vote. If you live in Lane County, go to the Lane County Elections Office (135 E. 6th Avenue in downtown) or call 682-4234 (Monday through Fridays, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.).

For more information on Measure 30, stop by the ASLCC Office in Building 1, Room 206.

Lila Bichel  
ASLCC-OSA Intern

### Still flapping

In response to the Letter to the Editor, "Reader offers tone on big flap" (Torch, Jan. 15), I found the attitude of the letter a typical excuse for oppression by the status quo. Perhaps we should reflect on the "nation of whiners that have nothing to do but spend our lives writing petitions and sniveling about how everyone thinks whomever at the time is so mistreated or misaligned?" This nation began because of whiners (our founding fathers) refusing to allow further oppression of colonists. Some famous snivelers include: Martin Luther King, Margaret Sanger, Sitting Bull, Harvey Milk, and Susan B. Anthony.

Every group of oppressed people knows the humiliation and the defacing of "Just stick your tongue in your cheek and enjoy the ride." Queers and others have endured the emotional and physical rape by the status quo; the ride is devastating. When someone stands up against hurtful actions demanding equal rights we are then "whiners." In all the attempts to tone down the "big flap" quite the opposite has been accomplished. I sigh, although the Queer community has come a long way since Stonewall, there still exists archaic attitudes to be confronted.

Kala Worley

Former President of Queer Straight Alliance, LCC

## Try the Bugs Bunny diet on your next birthday

It always feels good to have a big cake every year or a hot drink of coffee every day. I hope I know the good things to do.

I go to science class and learn about men and women. I love new classical music.

Students First reminds me of the bank. There's a lot of paper and they're always busy all the time. People advance in line with their L numbers for advance registration, to pay up on time, or to cancel classes and put the money in your own bank.

The cartoon says, "What's up, Doc?" I drop carrot stew in my dinner tonight. In the cartoons they eat hot chili powder and drink lots of water. I got milk at the grocery shop. It's very good for you and healthy.

Eat a lot more carrot salad with 0 percent cholesterol. What's up, Doc? Go buy your own produce stand bag.

On Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2004, vote yes on Measure 30.

Editor's note: John Mackwood is a G.E.D. student at Goodwill in Springfield. John writes his column with the help of a Torch editor.



### MACK WORLD

John Mackwood  
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# News

## CHERYL ROBERTS SAYS GOODBYE



Photo by Sean Hoffman

Cheryl Roberts greets well wishers at a reception in her honor Tuesday, Jan. 27. The outgoing Vice President of Instruction and Student Services will be leaving LCC to take a job as Vice President at Seattle Community College. Roberts will receive an award from the Black Student Union on Jan. 29 at a reception held from 4 to 6 p.m. in Building 19, Room 104.

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future, Arbuckle said one this is certain, "We all love it here and we are going to do whatever we have to do to stay."

With Oregon's common voting trend of rejecting tax increases some are nervous about the outcome of Measure 30, but many students feel worrying is not necessary.

"I have a strong feeling it's going to pass," said second year student Natashaia Roose. "Yeah Oregon always rejects taxes but this one really effects all of Oregon and I just don't see Oregonians basically killing our

education system."

Daniel Banks, a Political Science major said, "That is great news. It really looks like Lane is headed in the right direction."

"The administration seems to be taking students best interests in need. It's refreshing to know that they care," Banks said.

"It's good they got it all figured out," said Emily Normanson. "I hope someday the budget will be balanced and students can actually go to school and not have to worry so much about how expensive

it is, she added."

Student Troy Alden said, "Education is so important. And if Oregon voters truly feel that education is number one, I don't see a failure in Measure 30's future, but we're in Oregon so you never know."

Registered voters should have received their ballots via mail and all ballots must be dropped off at official ballot boxes by Feb. 3.

For more information on Measure 30 you can contact the Lane County Election Office at, 682-4243 or 682-4320.

## News Briefs

Compiled by Travis Roderick

**LCC will be hosting the Bloodmobile** on Thursday, Jan. 29 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Donors must be 16 years of age or older, in good health, weigh at least 110 pounds and not have given blood for at least eight weeks prior to their appointment. The entire process takes about 45 minutes. To make an appointment contact Judy Ann Fuller at 463-5564. For questions about eligibility requirements contact the Lane Memorial Blood Bank at 434-9111.

**There will be an Americans with Disabilities Act** forum on Jan. 29, from 11 a.m. to 12-noon in Building 5 (PE), Room 206. This is an opportunity to voice any concerns, complaints or needs about access issues on campus. Contact Disability Services at 463-5150 if disability accommodations are needed.

**An unofficial drop box for the Feb. 3** special election (Ballot Measure 30, see page 1) will be available outside of Student Life and Leadership, Building 1, Room 206. The last pickup will be Feb. 3 at 5:15 p.m. Stamps are not necessary, but the voter's signature on the ballot envelope is required.

**Free tax help** for those making less than \$30,000 a year will be available on campus beginning Wednesday, Feb. 4. The service will run Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays 9:30 a.m. 2:30 p.m. and will be located on the second floor in the breezeway of Building 1 (Student Services). The service will be available until 'Tax Day' April 15. Required for assistance are: all W2s, financial aid printouts and, if received, 2003 child tax credit amount. This tax service is provided by volunteers through AARP.

**Early registration for Spring term** is now underway. Early registration is available to students who have consulted with and received approval from their advisers. Students who are approved may register through ExpressLane, the college's Internet-based registration system. ExpressLane and the Spring term schedule of classes can be found on LCC's website, <http://www.lanecce.edu>.

**A Spanish-only table is held Tuesdays at 1 p.m.** in the back cafeteria near Student Health. The table provides Spanish-speaking students of all skill levels an opportunity to practice and refine their skills. Native speakers and novice learners alike are welcome. Contact Judy McKenzie at [mckenziej@lanecce.edu](mailto:mckenziej@lanecce.edu) with questions.

### Free Tax Help

Once again the tax season is upon us and the TAX-AIDE Program will be available to help assist low and moderate income taxpayers of all ages prepare their Federal and State income tax returns. TAX-AIDE is sponsored by AARP, in conjunction with the IRS, and is in its 35<sup>th</sup> year. Last year, 5000 tax returns were completed by the 100 Lane County TAX-AIDE volunteers. This service is free and is offered at 17 locations around Lane County. Free electronic filing is also available at nine of the sites.

This service will be available from the first week in February thru April 15. All volunteers are IRS trained and certified. For a complete list of locations, dates and hours, either call the toll-free number 1-888-AARPNOW (1-888-227-7669) or visit our website at [www.aarp.org/taxaide](http://www.aarp.org/taxaide).

Clients need to bring their W2's, 1099's, and all other pertinent information for completing their taxes. If they want to file electronically, they must bring their last years tax returns with them.

## OSCC starts new chapter at LCC

Students launch organization with first meeting.

Wayce Saluskin  
Staff Writer

A new addition to the LCC Student Government is on its way to campus, with the addition of the Oregon Students of Color Coalition (OSCC). Students of color will have the opportunity to voice their opinions with their peers on issues that concern their campus life and communities.

OSCC is a student-led organization that tackles issues ranging from local and state issues, as well as a focus on national campaigns. The levels of organization vary from the grassroots to national efforts concerning students of color.

According Huy Ong, field organizer for OSCC, students established the organization for other students.

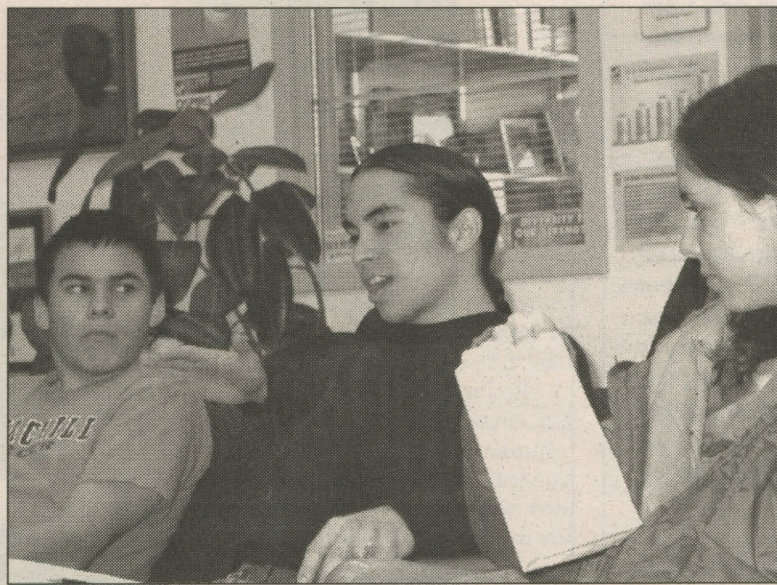


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Sandin Riddle, left and ASLCC Senator Kellyn Gross, right, listen as Morgan Caughey, center, discusses campus diversity at the first LCC meeting of Oregon Students of Color Coalition which was held in the Multicultural Center Thursday, Jan. 22. Over 25 students showed up to check out the group.

"Student union leaders around the state wanted to enlighten students on what campus life was like all over the

state," he said.

OSCC has made an impact here in Oregon since it was established in 1997. The focus

at the time was to bring a resurgence of student power to the state.

"I'm really excited that the OSCC chapter at LCC is being revitalized," said co-chairman Jasmin Thana at the group's general interest meeting on Jan. 22. "The student leaders here have been working really hard to make it a reality."

Once the new chapter is established, OSCC will organize with other student-led unions on campus that concern all students. The organization serves as a window of opportunity for students of color to take on issues of concern in the local, state and national levels.

The group is open to all students who want to take on these issues.

OSCC offers internships to students for up to four credits per term.

Students interested in joining OSCC can find out more information by contacting [oscc\\_lcc@hotmail.com](mailto:oscc_lcc@hotmail.com).



## ARTS &amp; ENTERTAINMENT

## A&amp;E Calendar

January 30

**"In Whose Honor?":** A video including discussion of American Indian mascots in sports and their effects on Native Americans will be shown in the Women's Center at noon. For more information contact Paula Sena at 463-5349.

February 2

**Head to Head Film Duel:** Award-winning national filmmakers Roger Beebe and Tony Gault show their experimental film documentaries. The event begins at 8 p.m. at DIVA, 110 West Broadway, \$3 cover. For more information contact Carole Zoom at 541-954-8373.

February 4

**Rosa Parks' Birthday:** The Multicultural Center will have a celebration from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. followed by the video "Mighty Times: The Legacy of Rosa Parks" at 5 p.m. Building 1, Room 201. For more information contact Susan Matthews at 463-5276 or 453-3245.

**"UNCOVERED: the Whole Truth About the Iraq War":** A public showing of the documentary will run from 7-9 p.m. at the EWEB Training Room, 500 E. 4th Ave. in Eugene. For more information contact CALC- Progressive Responses at 485-1755.

February 6

**Bob Marley's Birthday:** The Multicultural Center event includes a video and runs from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Building 1, Room 201. For more information contact Susan Matthews at 463-5276 or 453-3245.

**Six Degrees of Separation:** The comedy written by John Guare and directed by Patrick Torelle opens next Saturday in the Blue Door Theatre. Other performance dates are Feb. 7, 13, 14, 15, 20 and 21. All shows begin at 8 p.m. Admission is \$10 for adults and \$8 for students and seniors. For more information contact Myrria Seifert at 463-5161.

Ongoing

**Woodcuts Exhibit:** Susan Lowdermilk, LCC art instructor, is showing her woodcuts and artist's books with printmakers Tallmadge Doyle and Ken Paul at the Jacob's Gallery at the Hult Center for the Performing Arts from now until Feb. 28. The show is on the schedule for the First Friday Art Walk on Feb. 6 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. For more information contact Susan Lowdermilk at 463-5413.

**Poster Exhibition:** The LCC Art Gallery will be exhibiting selected posters from the recent Colorado International Invitational Poster Exhibition through Jan. 29. Posters include work by artists from the Northwest and around the world. The LCC Art Gallery is located downstairs in Building 11. Hours are 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday and Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information contact Susan Lowdermilk at 463-5413.

**Photography:** Art by Daniel Moret of Marketing and Public Relations will be exhibited during the month of January at the Eugene Wine Cellars winery at 255 Madison Street in Eugene. The exhibit displays photography of Europe and is available for purchase. The winery's tasting room and exhibit space are open from 5-10 p.m. on Wednesdays and noon to 6 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. For more information contact Eugene Wine Cellar at 342-2600.

## Cash prize awarded to LCC English instructor to finish nonfiction work in progress

Alison Cadbury joins the 394 Oregonians who have received OLF awards since 1983.

Melissa Vandever  
A&E Editor

A part-time English, Foreign Language and Speech instructor here at LCC has been awarded a 2003 Oregon Literary Fellowship (OLF) for a non-fiction piece in progress. Alison Cadbury was awarded the \$1,000 Leslie Bradshaw Fellowship for "Panegyria," a chapter from her developing work about festivals on the Greek island of Paros.

According to the OLF website, the purpose of the fellowships are to "help writers in need of funds to initiate, develop, or complete a project in the genres of poetry, fiction, literary nonfiction, drama and young readers literature."

OLF's are also awarded to "presses and magazines that demonstrate a commitment to literary publishing" in the same genres.

OLF entries are judged based on literary merit by a panel of judges usually made up of librarians and university creative writing teachers. The judges review the entries in their genre plus the top picks of other judges. Near the end of the several-month evaluation process, the judges have a conference call discussion of their final choices. To ensure unbiased results, the judges are chosen from out of state and their identities



Photo by Sean Hoffman

LCC English, Foreign Language and Speech instructor Alison Cadbury was recently awarded a 2003 Oregon Literary Fellowship for "Panegyria," a chapter from her developing work about festivals on the Greek island of Paros.

withheld until the OLF recipients are announced. The judges for the 2003 OLF are David Haward Bain, John Berkeland, Catherine Liu, Tom Padgett and Karin Taylor.

In 2003, OLF's were awarded to 18 writers and five publishers in amounts ranging from \$675 to \$1900. A reception will be held in February honoring the 2003 recipients.

Cadbury joins the 394 Oregon authors and publishers who have received an OLF since 1983. Since then, more than \$475,000 in fellowships and awards have been given, with \$25,000 in fellowships awarded last year.

OLF's are open to all Oregon writers except those who have been awarded an OLF in the last four years.

## SIX DEGREES: COMING SOON



Photo by Sean Hoffman

Chris Carwithen and Jef A. Robertson, actors in the upcoming production of Six Degrees of Separation, rehearse for the play which will be performed in the Blue Door Theatre Feb. 6, 7, 13, 14, 20 and 21.



# SPORTS

## Hot start cools during losing week

**Titans carry losing streak into second half of league play.**

**Shawn Miller**  
Sports Editor

With a 2-4 record and the first-half of the league season coming to a close, the Titans look for a spark to start the second-half of league play against Portland Community College on Saturday, Jan. 31. The game is scheduled for a 6 p.m. start at Titan Court.

### Men's Basketball

**Chemeketa C.C. Jan. 17**

An undefeated Titan team traveled to Salem to face one of the top tier programs in the South Region of the NWAACC.

"We wanted to try to go out and keep it [the game] close for the first 20 minutes and see what happens after halftime," said Men's Basketball Head Coach Ryan Orton.

The first-half turned out to be the battle Orton looked for, with

the Titans trailing by three. However, in the second-half Chemeketa pushed the lead to double-digits and rolled to a 72-54. The difference turned out to be nine more rebounds and 17 more free throws attempted by Chemeketa.

"They [Chemeketa] were just bigger inside," said Orton. "They pound it inside and had too many offensive rebounds and second-chance points."

"Also, one of the keys was transition defense. In the second-half, they got up the floor quicker than we did."

Freshman Justin Glover led the Titans with 14 points, while freshman Blake Krieg added 11 points and seven rebounds.

**Mt. Hood C.C. Jan. 20**

Following their first league-loss of the season, the Titans traveled North once again to face Mt. Hood, another of the top teams in the region.

"We played the worst half of the season those first 20 minutes," said Orton. "This was the first time all year that I felt we weren't really focused."

Despite the poor play resulting in turnovers and missed opportuni-

ties, the Titans only trailed by five at the half. Early in the second-half, LCC fell behind by 10+ and weren't able to cut into the lead before losing, 66-53.

"We needed to chip at it [the lead], instead we had guys who wanted to be the hero and take tough shots," said Orton. "It was out of character."

Free throw shooting (3-12) and turnovers (25) hurt the Titans, who were led in scoring by Glover with 16. Krieg added 10 points.

**Southwestern Oregon C.C. Jan. 21**

All of a sudden, the Titans were 2-2 in league play and facing back-to-back games for the first time since the Dale Bates Tournament in mid-December. However, with a return home, LCC looked for an advantage against SWOCC.

Early the game turned into a defensive contest, with each team focusing on preventing a successful half-court offense.

"I knew that would be a low scoring affair," said Orton. "They [SWOCC] really get after it and I knew it would be a game of possessions."

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Photo by Sean Hoffman

Guard Trevor Cross jukes past a SWOCC defender for an easy trot to the bucket Wednesday Jan. 21. Cross finished the game with 10 points and 4 rebounds.

## Titans still in title contention at midpoint of season



Photo by Sean Hoffman

Elbows flew in the Lady Titan's latest match up with SWOCC, as Jennifer Bell, left, and LeeAnn Genovese are treated by Athletic Trainer Pam Twardzic. Both suffered smashed noses in separate collisions.

**The Titans battle for league victories on road.**

**Shawn Miller**  
Sports Editor

The Titans, 4-2 in league (13-5 overall) return home and kick off the second-half of the league season against Portland Community College on Saturday, Jan. 31. at 4 p.m.

### Women's Basketball

**Chemeketa C.C. Jan. 17**

This game turned into somewhat of a rivalry game for the Titans. Earlier this season, Chemeketa defeated LCC by single-digits, an occurrence that has plagued the Titans the last two seasons, winning only one of seven meetings against Chemeketa.

A solid start looked to turn things around for the Titans as they held a six-point lead with the ball in the final minute of the first-half. However, missed opportunities and quick strikes by Chemeketa cut the lead to two points as both teams headed into halftime.

The slow play continued for the Titans to start the second-half, as Chemeketa went on a 14-2 run to gain a captivating lead just four minutes later.

"This was a game where we struggled in the last minute of the first-half and the first four minutes of the second," said Women's Basketball Head Coach Greg Sheley. "We squandered a lead and had about five minutes of bad basketball."

From that point, down by 10, the Titans cut into the lead and with 45 seconds remaining, trailed 60-63. However, LCC had to foul, allowing Chemeketa to up the lead with every made free throw. The Titans were unable to get any closer and lost 71-62.

"I think it was a very rival-type of game," said Sheley. "We had the lead and they made a run at us and when they had the lead, we did the same."

Freshman Domonique King and sophomore Chelsea Brock paced the Titans with 14 points apiece. Freshman Kellie Griner added 11, while freshman Ashley Sequeira had 10 points, 10 rebounds and three blocks.

**Mt. Hood C.C. Jan. 20**

The Titans focus seemed to be lacking against

their next opponent, Mt. Hood. Offensively, the Titans shot 31 percent from the floor, including 15 percent from beyond the arc. Also, a 62 percent free throw percentage and 26 turnovers added to the Titan woes.

However, Mt. Hood faced the same offensive problems, shooting the same 31 percent from the floor. The only difference was the Titan defense, allowing 25 fewer shots than they attempted and creating whopping 38 turnovers.

"It definitely was not one of our better games," said Sheley. "In the second-half, we came out and separated ourselves early and held a 10-12 point lead most of it."

The lead was maintained as the Titans ran their league-record to 3-1 with a 67-54 victory.

"On a positive note, we got out of there with a win and it was on the road," said Sheley. "You've gotta beat the teams you are supposed to beat, although I think Mt. Hood is definitely improved."

King scored a team-high 18 points and added 12 steals. Brock scored 14 and Sequeira had 11 points and 12 rebounds, including seven offensive boards.

**Southwestern Oregon C.C. Jan. 21**

Upon returning home, the Titans faced SWOCC. The outcome was established early as LCC led 46-22 at halftime.

"We were able to pressure them and get some easy points," said Sheley.

The second-half presented even less of a challenge as the Titans topped their last defensive performance, this time creating 39 turnovers and holding SWOCC to 38 total points. LCC ran away with the game, winning 84-38.

"This was a good game for us because we got better, played harder and got some confidence," said Sheley.

Brock led the Titan scoring with 18 points and added six assists. King scored 14, Sequeira 12 and sophomore LeeAnn Genovese 10 points. Sequeira led the rebounding, grabbing 11 of the Titan rebounds. Also, Griner added seven points, eight steals and three assists.

**Clackamas C.C. Jan. 24**

Both teams tied atop the league standings with 4-1 records, as the Titans visited Clackamas.

"The approach we've been taking is that you've gotta win at home, take care of the teams

See **WOMEN'S** page 6

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# SPORTS

## Bring on the Super Bowl

The Panthers versus the Patriots. Wow! These were definitely not the teams I picked to still be playing at this point in the season.

Nevertheless, both of these defense-oriented teams have defeated several solid franchises on their way to the Super Bowl and deserve to be the representatives of the AFC and NFC conferences.

However, if you are a fan of high-octane, five-touch-down and two field goal performances like I am, don't

Carolina quarterback Jake Delhomme, who wasn't even drafted after college. A young defensive front of

Carolina will play against a solid, don't-care-if-we-score-as-long-as-we-don't-turn-the-ball-over New England

offense.

Not only is there a ring and trip to Disneyworld for the winner, but both teams are playing for something else, which makes this game even more interesting. Carolina, a team that finished two seasons ago with a 1-15 record, is looking to establish themselves as deserving and not just lucky. New England is playing for the label of being a dynasty, winning two Super Bowls in three seasons, an accomplishment worthy of the title "Dynasty Franchise."

If this matchup still isn't intriguing, there are always the commercials. One of my favorites was the Budweiser Clydesdales playing a football game between each other several years ago. Each year I am amazed as companies pay millions of dollars for a 30-second spot on TV, however, I am pleased with the humor most commercials present.

So while both teams try to

establish themselves and win the coveted prize as Super Bowl champions, I look forward to sitting back in my chair and watching a good football game filled with original commercials. I don't think the score will be 45-40, my prediction: New England 26, Carolina 23.

### SUPER STATS:

- Key matchup: #7 ranked rushing offense of Carolina vs #4 ranked rush defense of New England.

- New England has won 14 straight games.

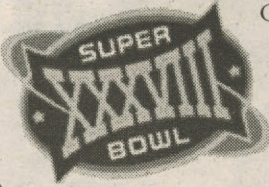
- New England has #7 defense overall and #18 offense overall.

- Carolina has #8 defense overall and #16 offense overall.

### GAME TIME

Sunday, Feb. 1

3:25 p.m. on CBS



### SUPER BOWLIN'

Shawn Miller  
Columnist



be afraid to watch this game. Although it probably won't be high scoring, it will be a close game decided in the final minutes.

Why should I know this? Every game each team has played this season, with the exception of three games for each franchise, has been decided by less than two possessions.

A veteran New England defense will be matched up against a virtual unknown,

## MEN'S from page 5

As each team battled, pressure forced turnovers for SWOCC, creating 23 Titan turnovers. However, that same pressure on defense didn't offer the same opportunities with turnovers for the Titans, as they only picked up 13 turnovers. LCC also missed seven lay-ups, translating to a missed 14 points, which hurt the Titans in the closing minutes. The final score ended with SWOCC on top, 60-57.

"We didn't handle traps real well and couldn't finish plays inside," said Orton.

Krieg scored a team-high 14 points. Sophomore Kyle Richards finished with 12 and freshman Trevor Cross had 10 points.

### Clackamas C.C. Jan. 24

"The model team in our league is Clackamas," said Orton.

With that said, the Titans looked to stop their losing streak against one of their toughest opponents all season. In a low-

scoring first-half, the Titans held close, down 21-26.

"We played a good first-half," said Orton. "We battled and our effort was outstanding. It was as hard as we had played in three weeks."

Unfortunately, the effort wasn't enough as Clackamas exploded for 51 second-half points. Clackamas shot outstanding from the free throw line (22-26 to LCC's 10-

17) and rebounded the Titans 41-26 en route to a 77-53 drubbing of the Titans.

"We fouled too much in the second-half and ran out of gas," said Orton. "We had to go to the bench and their bench was stronger than ours."

Glover led the team with 11 points, as Richards, Krieg and Cross all scored 10 points apiece.

"You want to take care of the home games, especially against close competition," said Orton. "I think at this point, if a team goes .500, they've got a great shot at the playoffs."

### Men's Basketball Standings.

| SOUTH       | League | Overall |
|-------------|--------|---------|
| Mt. Hood    | 6-0    | 11-6    |
| Clackamas   | 4-2    | 13-5    |
| Chemeketa   | 4-2    | 15-4    |
| Umpqua      | 3-3    | 8-8     |
| SW Oregon   | 3-3    | 8-9     |
| Lane        | 2-4    | 5-11    |
| Linn-Benton | 2-4    | 7-10    |
| Portland    | 0-6    | 6-11    |

## WOMEN'S from page 5

you are supposed to beat and sneak one big win on the road," said Sheley.

This game started out looking to be the sneaker, as the Titans led through the first-half and midway through the second. With 12 minutes to play and a 10-point lead, the Titans focused on holding on, but as the time dwindled, so did the lead and with 2:30 remaining, Clackamas jumped on top.

"If we could have gotten a bucket or free throw to help push the lead to five or six points, instead of two or three, I think we would have held on to the lead into the final minute and won the game," said Sheley.

The Titans were forced to

foul and Clackamas made their free throws, including six out of seven in the final minute of play. LCC wasn't able to get close again, falling 57-65.

"You have a chance to get a big one on the road and it would have been a huge boost to get that win," said Sheley. "You have to get that boost to be a championship team."

Genovese led the Titans with 16 points. Sophomore Kailee Short scored 15 points and snagged a team-high nine rebounds. Brock and King each added 10 points, with King dishing out six assists as well.

"We are still thinking we have a shot to be in it [league title chase] at the end of the season," said Sheley.

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by Mark Parisi

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## College Tour 2004



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## The Pulse

### Are you in support of Measure 30? Why or why not?



**Tom Filippelli**  
Business

From what I know, I'm against it. I've heard that it doesn't help too much with the problems in our state; it only temporarily rebuilds what's already been torn up. The taxes won't really effect me or most other college students though. I guess I'm neutral really.



**Dennis Moore**  
Business

I've got an aunt who's a teacher and she advised me to vote yes. Schools will benefit. I don't see much harm in that.



**Michael Levick**  
Computer Services

That means schools get the money and taxes go up right? I'm in support. It seems we have plenty of money for corporate bailouts and military excursions. Education is the last thing we should starve.



**Pamela Marsh**  
English

I've gotta get registered first—the whole president thing is coming up. I'll probably vote yes because it supports education. I should really do more research first though.

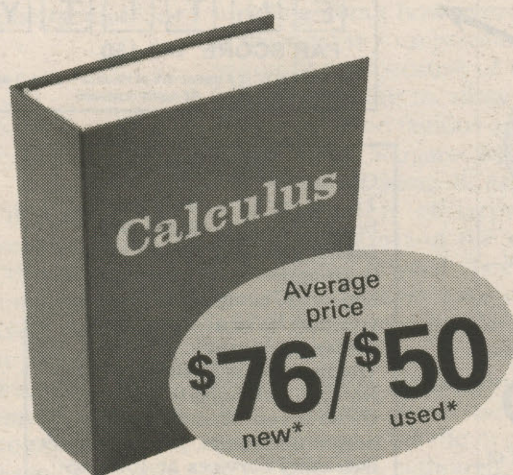


**Virginia Pearce**  
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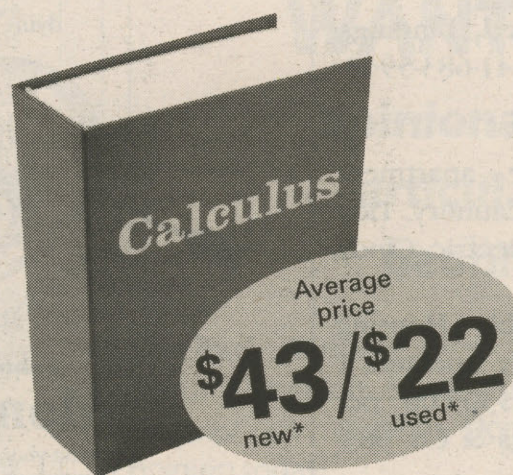
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