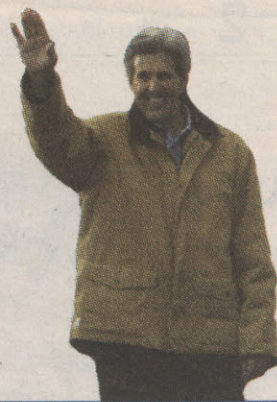




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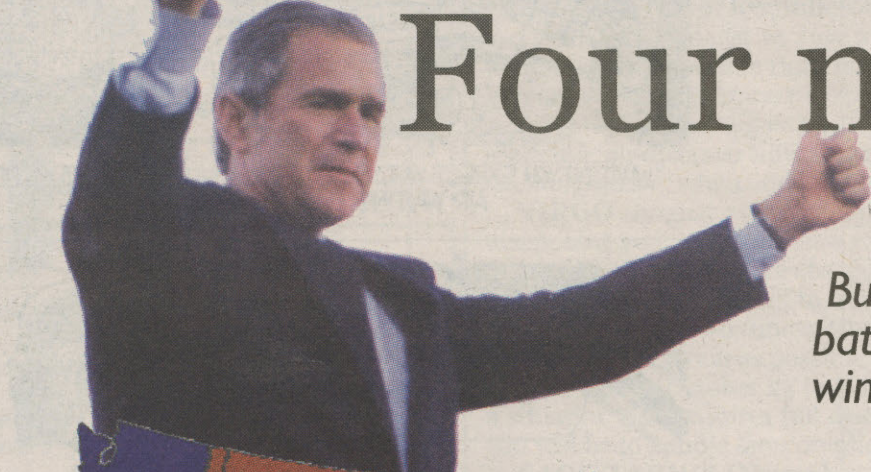
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# Four more years



*Bush pulls through in battleground states to win the election*

#### President:

George W. Bush

#### U.S. Senator:

Ron Wyden

#### Representative in Congress:

Peter DeFazio

#### Secretary of State:

Bill Bradbury

#### State Treasurer:

Randall Edwards

#### City of Eugene Mayor:

Kitty Piercy

#### Measures:

**31** – Authorizes postponing election when a nominee dies:  
*Passed*

**32** – Removes DMV fees and taxes from motor homes:  
*Passed*

**33** – Requires the government to supply marijuana to eligible patients: *Failed*

**34** – Requires balanced timber production, protection and preservation: *Failed*

**35** – Limits non-economic damage receivable for patient injury: *Failed*

**36** – Defines marriage as one man and one woman: *Passed*

**37** – Requires the government to compensate land-owners for any loss in property values they may cause: *Passed*

**38** – Abolishes SAIF: *Failed*

**20-87** – *Failed*

**20-88** – *Failed*

**20-90** – *Passed*

**20-91** – *Passed*

**20-100** – *Failed*

#### Registered Voters in Oregon:

2,145,683

#### Ballots Cast in Oregon:

1,730,090

#### Voter Turnout:

80.63%

#### Registered Voters in Lane County:

206,394

#### Ballots Cast in Lane County:

172,116

#### Voter Turnout:

83.39%

**SUSAN WAHLBERG &  
ELIZABETH KAHL**  
MANAGING EDITOR/  
ASST. PHOTO EDITOR

The nation spent last Tuesday night on the edge of its collective seat.

It was a race to be remembered. The battleground state of Pennsylvania ceded its electoral votes somewhat early to Kerry, and hopes were high for the Democrats until Bush picked up Florida – sans lawsuits – and went on to turn much of the rest of the nation red. All eyes turned to Ohio and its 20 electoral votes in the final hours. Only FOX News was certain enough of the outcome to call the state one way or the other.

Here in Oregon the race was close, and though it'd be hard to tell from the map at CNN.com which party won, in the end the Kerry beat out Bush with a

narrow three percent lead. The voter turnout in the state was a massive 80 percent, higher than any other recent election.

The scene at Election Central, held at the Lane County Fairgrounds, was one of frenzied electricity. Two televisions were on the entire night, one broadcasting CNN's presidential election coverage, the other displaying Lane County's own results. Every update on electoral wins was punctuated with mottled cheers or sighs of disappointment.

Many of LCC's "get out the vote" campaigners were on hand, cheering along with the crowd. ASLCC senator Jeremy Riel and director of State Affairs Adam Davis were glued to the coverage, waiting for any new information that the cable network might want to supply.

"I'm amazed by the turnout

here and not just in Lane county, but in the state as well," said Davis, adding that he was impressed with the level of awareness of the issues he had seen in students this year.

Riel, for his part, was leery of predictions coming too early in the evening. "I just hope that they don't start mis-predicting things like they did last time," he said.

To the joy of many around the country, there was little evidence of the massive errors in judgment by the media seen in the 2000 election. By Wednesday morning the analysts had largely agreed that the outcome was obvious. Bush swept the Midwest and Florida, and Ohio held a press conference stating that their electoral votes were, indeed, going for the Republicans.

At 11:02 a.m. Eastern time, John Kerry called President Bush to concede the race.

#### Sources:

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## Carpooling on the information highway

*LCC student creates a virtual rideshare that runs nationwide*

**HEATHER SERAFIN**  
STAFF WRITER

LCC student Joshua Kielas, dismayed by the lack of resources for students at the college who would like to participate in a carpool, or "rideshare" program, has designed an internet site in the hopes of alleviating congestion problems not only here, but nationwide.

Kielas spent the summer designing a web site called

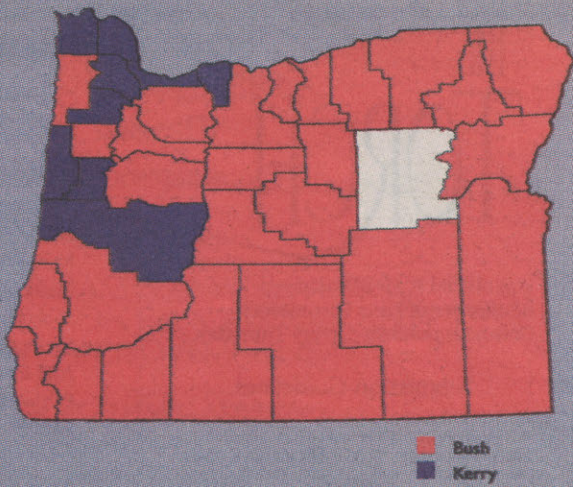
The RideShare Alliance, found at [www.rideshare.us](http://www.rideshare.us). It is an independently run site that allows users to coordinate carpools to school, work, festivals, demonstrations, concerts or any kind of assembly.

As a bicycle rider, Kielas is always interested in alternative modes of transportation. He believes that ridesharing is a great opportunity for people to make a difference by addressing many of the growing issues of today.

"We are going to have to begin thinking differently about

see **RIDESHARE** page3

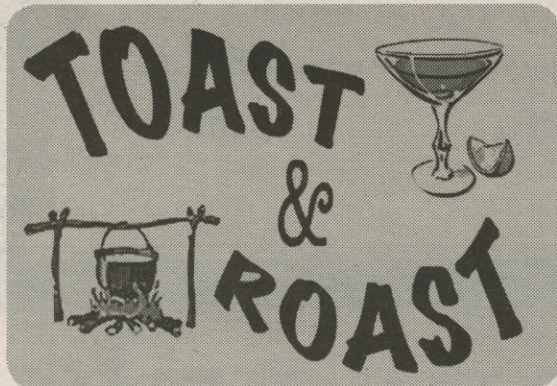
#### Voting by County



Nine out of thirty-six counties managed to give Kerry the win in Oregon, though it wasn't enough to carry him nationally.



## COMMENTARY &amp; LETTERS

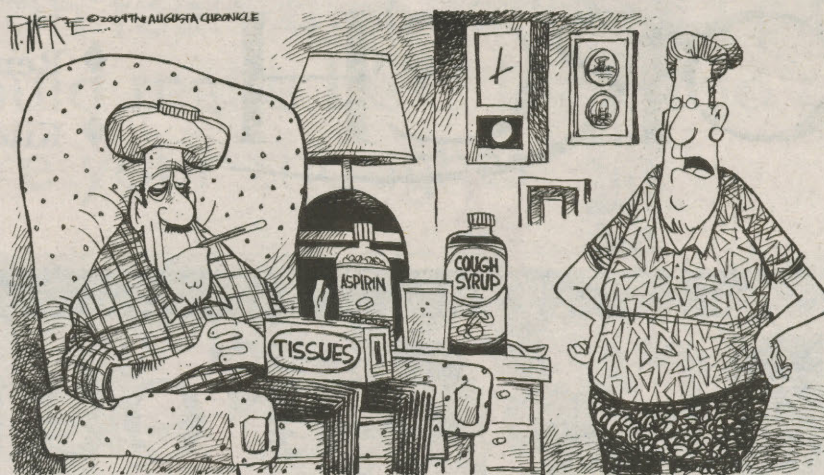


**Roast** to the states of Arkansas, Georgia, Kentucky, Michigan, Mississippi, Montana, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon and Utah for their votes banning same-sex marriage. Purposefully writing discrimination into state constitutions not only paves the way for a similar move on the national level, it also acts as an indicator that our once-progressive nation is coming to a standstill, if not backsliding altogether. When countries trade innovation and notions of equality for rhetoric on holding onto some imaginary concept of "tradition," thus begins their downfall. Bid a fond farewell to the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, America, for the 21<sup>st</sup> shall not be yours.

**Toast** to the United States voting population for showing up in numbers not seen since 1968, another bitterly divisive year in politics. Roughly 20 million people cast a ballot in this year's election, just shy of 60 percent of those eligible; this is up five percent from four years ago and ten percent from eight years ago. Double congratulations are in order for Lane County, where the total topped 83 percent. Reports from around the country of voters waiting up to nine hours for the opportunity to make their voice heard speak well to the US claim to "leaders of the free world," though perhaps not as well to our ability to plan ahead or keep our polling machines working properly.

**Toast** to the networks, George Bush and John Kerry for waiting as long as possible before officially calling most states for either candidate. After the 2000 fallout over premature tabulation left the media holding their limp polls trying to rationalize to the public, it was refreshing to see even a modicum of restraint, particularly involving the holdout of Ohio. (Of course FOX was the first to call Ohio for President Bush, a full 12 hours before responsible news teams would even take a stab at it.) As late as Wednesday morning, no final decision had been made, and when Kerry officially conceded it at least felt final, as opposed to the meandering and backtracking of four years ago.

**Roast** to the state of Kentucky for sending Jim Bunning to a second term in the Senate. In a very heated election campaign, Bunning's behavior became so erratic that a local newspaper questioned his mental health. According to the Associated Press, Bunning once compared his opponent's appearance to one of Saddam Hussein's sons and also "made an unsubstantiated claim that opposition staffers beat his wife 'black and blue' at a political picnic." When questioned about recent events in Iraq, Bunning confessed that he hadn't read a newspaper in six weeks. Kentucky of course has the freedom to elect anyone it wants, but a candidate who spins outrageous fabrications and seems completely out of touch with current events is hardly someone the American people should embrace as a leader. Of course, when the entire country just elected such a candidate on the national level, why question a single state?



"WHAT DO YOU EXPECT WHEN YOU SPEND FIVE HOURS in the COLD, DAMP AIR WAITING for a FLU SHOT?"



## Letters to the Editor

## Give blood at LCC

If you're 16 years of age or older, in good health, weigh at least 110 pounds, and have not donated blood within the last eight weeks, you're eligible to save a life. You can give your blood to total strangers – accident victims, women and babies in distress during childbirth, surgery and chemotherapy patients.

It's simple, relatively painless, and takes only about 45 minutes. You don't have to leave campus because the Lane Memorial Blood Bank's Bloodmobile will come to Lane next Wednesday, Nov. 10, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. outside the Center Building, near the Deli and Espresso Bar entrance.

Call 463-5216 to schedule the time you prefer.

You won't get a thank-you note from the stranger you've helped – just some cookies, juice, and a deep sense of well-being for helping other people.

PETE PETERSON  
FORMER LCC INSTRUCTOR

## Kudos to the Torch

To the hard working Torch staff - I just wanted to let all of you know that your efforts have been noticed. The Torch's content and layout this term is interesting, informative, entertaining and relevant. I have to admit I rarely read the Torch before, and now I read it cover to cover. Keep up the good work!

DEVIN ROBEL  
STUDENTS FIRST

## Triumph of evil only temporary

OK, so the forces of evil and idiocy have won a couple more rounds. The barbarian hate-mongers have solidified their power in the palace and in the hinterlands. Where do we go from here? Is this a clear sign of the end of America as a viable, positive, social experiment? What happens as the Anti-Christ and his sycophants further secure their position?

It ain't gonna be pretty, folks.

But do the rest of us have

to give up? We teach, we work, we think, we pray, we study, we try to be nice – we try to "keep the faith" – but it gets kind of hard as we watch the cackling million-armed monster balloon over us.

My students sometimes ask me, when we've read together some particularly ugly images of reality, where to find hope, and the best I can do is talk with them, hear their stories, tell them mine – get to know one another.

Maybe that's what we need to do: pay attention to each other. Listen. Find ways to love.

That's not really what our system expects of us – so it seems hard, unnatural, when it should be our most human job. I guess we need to gear up for "hard," if we haven't already. Many folks have been facing "hard" a long time, and finding ways to make it. So let's help each other out, and keep waiting – actively – for the sun.

JEFF HARRISON  
LCC ENGLISH INSTRUCTOR

THE  
TORCH

The official student-managed newspaper of Lane Community College is published every Thursday.

## Submission Guidelines

Letters to the editor should be limited to 250 words. Commentaries should be limited to 750 words. Please include the author's name, phone number and address (address and phone number are for verification purposes only and are not for publication.) The editor in chief reserves the right to edit letters and commentaries for length, grammar, spelling, libel, invasion of privacy and appropriate language.

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# Health Clinic receives some flu vaccine

Immunizations available only for those at high risk

SUSAN WAHLBERG  
MANAGING EDITOR

The flu vaccine shortage appears to be getting better, at least here at Lane. Through the efforts of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the LCC Health Clinic has received a small amount of flu vaccine to immunize high-risk students and staff.

Because the Health Center received less than 25 percent of their original order, however, it is important that only those who meet the high-risk criteria as defined by the CDC should call the Health Clinic and reserve immunizations.

The vaccines themselves were only marginally more expensive than similar flu vaccines in the past.

Due to the national shortage of flu vaccinations, it is vital that only those who are at high risk schedule a vaccination with the Health Clinic. "We would appreciate if people that aren't high-risk don't call us, don't come in. We're subject to a \$500 fine if we give it to somebody who's not high-risk," said Duke Vandervort, director of the Health Clinic.

The Health Center withheld announcing the arrival of the vaccination in both the Torch and the Daily, the official staff and faculty newsletter of LCC, until Thursday so that both students and staff would have an equal opportunity to get a vaccination.

"We're very sensitive to wanting students to have appropriate access

for those who need it. So, rather than put the message out in the Daily, not having students get that, we're [having it] released in the Torch on Thursday and the Daily on Thursday," said Vandervort.

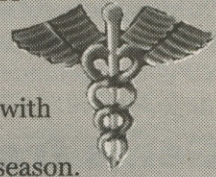
In an effort to maximize accessibility, the Health Center will be administering the vaccine at two different times: Monday, Nov. 8 from 2-3 p.m. and Tuesday, Nov. 9 from 9-10:30 a.m. The immunizations will cost \$15 and must be paid by cash or check only. It will not be possible to charge the immunization to a Lane L-number account or credit card.

The Health Center can be reached at 463-5665. They will be reserving vaccinations by phone only.

## THOSE CONSIDERED AT HIGH RISK FOR CONTRACTING THE FLU ARE:

- Children ages 6 months to 23 months.
- Adults older than 65 years.
- People between 2 years and 64 years old with chronic health problems.
- Women who will be pregnant during flu season.
- Nursing home or long-term care facility residents.
- Children 6 months to 18 years old on chronic aspirin therapy.
- Health-care workers in direct contact with patients.
- People who have or take care of children younger than 6 months old.

Source: Centers for Disease Control



## FYI...

**ALL LANE COMMUNITY COLLEGE LOCATIONS** will be closed Thursday, Nov. 11, for the Veterans Day holiday. No services will be available and no classes will be held.

The **ASLCC SENATE** ratified Theya McCown and Adam Davis for the roles of Communications Director and Director of State Affairs, respectively, at their weekly meeting on Monday, Nov. 1. McCown and Davis were appointed as interim directors of the same positions over the summer, but due to ASLCC rules had to be officially ratified after a formal search was conducted. The votes for both were unanimous. The senate also ratified two additional senators, Jeremy Riel and Eric Magalhais, thereby filling the seats that had been vacant since last spring's ASLCC general election.

**LANE MEMORIAL BLOOD BANKS BLOODMOBILE** will visit the LCC main campus on Wednesday, Nov. 10, from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. If you're eligible to donate (16 years of age or older, in good health, weigh at least 110 pounds, and have not donated within the last eight weeks), please contact Robin Geyer at 463-5216 or geyerr@lanecc.edu and schedule the time you prefer. The entire process takes only 45 minutes.

The annual **OSAA STATE CROSS COUNTRY MEET** will be held on main campus Saturday, Nov. 6, from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. The Eldon Schafer entrance from East 30th Avenue will be closed during meet hours, but the Gonyea Road west entrance will remain open. Lane Transit District bus service will run as scheduled.

**KEZI NEWS 9** (ABC affiliate) will visit some Continuing Education classes the week of Nov. 15. The morning news airs from 5:30-7 a.m. The schedule: Monday, Nov. 15, jewelry and metalcrafting with instructor Marcia McDonald at Lane's lab; Tuesday, Nov. 16, veterinary assistant training with instructor Celeste Moring at Westmoreland Animal Clinic in West Eugene; Wednesday, Nov. 17, gourmet sausage making with instructor Greg Winslow in Lane's Renaissance Room; Thursday, Nov. 18, appliance repair with Lane electronics graduate David Schnell at The Appliance Store in Glenwood; and Friday, Nov. 18, introduction to tile setting with instructor Tim Parker at The Tile Store in West Eugene.

The **LANE MULTICULTURAL CENTER** will celebrate the Birthday of Baha'u'llah, a very important Baha'i holy day, on Friday, Nov. 12, from 2-4 p.m. Dr. Don Addison will talk about "Native American Prophecies and Fulfillment" and include Native American drumming, singing and a prayer in Navajo.

Additionally, on the same day, the MCC will celebrate Diwali, the Hindu festival of lights, starting at 5 p.m. The festival symbolizes the human urge to move toward the light and is traditionally celebrated with gift exchanges, fireworks and festive meals. The event will include traditional Indian music and dancing, followed by a "Bollywood" movie (Hollywood-style movie made in Bombay). Some traditional Indian and Nepalese food will be provided and everyone is asked to bring some vegetarian food to share. The Multicultural Center is located in Building 1, Room 201.

**LANE'S HEALTH CLINIC** received the 2004 Golden Gull Award for Clinical Practice from the Pacific Coast College Health Association last month. The award was presented in recognition of the Strategic Breathing Initiative implemented by the clinic last year, spearheaded by Nadine Wilkes. The initiative improved provider training in treating asthma and related breathing programs, improved equipment for handling breathing emergencies, and fostered a collaboration of Lane respiratory therapy students and local allergists to provide free screening for staff and students. The initiative previously won an Eldon G. Schafer Pat on the Back Award.



PHOTO BY ELIZABETH KAHL

A small graffiti-covered shack is all that remains of LCC's earlier rideshare program. LCC student Joshua Kielas hopes to get the building back in use by implementing his own carpool system through his self-designed internet site.

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transportation and other issues that will be impacted," said Kielas. "The days of cheap oil and ultimate convenience are coming to an end."

According to Kielas, the advantages of rideshare programs are that they are healthier for the environment, cause less pollution and help conserve natural resources like oil.

In addition, "It would have a great advantage to the parking issues at Lane," said Kielas.

Kielas' program begins with a username, password, and a specific event. Here at Lane the event is listed under 'LCC.' Riders list a ride or find one already listed in their area and email the poster. Searches can locate people within their zip code.

The system will not display email addresses. The web site was designed to protect the privacy of its users by handling emails so that personal information is not displayed. This gives others the ability to choose whether to reply to a message.

The site can organize events nationwide. It is currently used as far as Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

Event pages can be addressed directly by a URL from a web site. Kielas believes the strength in this system is that organizations that already have a web presence can link to their RideShare page from their own web site.

"My hope is that the RideShare Alliance Web site will encourage people to carpool, even if they don't necessarily

need to, by making it easy," Kielas said.

LCC had its own non-web rideshare program at one point years ago, but all that seems to remain is the dilapidated brown shack on Gonyea Rd. No one currently at the college seems to know what led to the program's ultimate demise.

For example, Barbara Delansky, director of Student Services, said that the program was pretty much gone when she arrived 14 years ago. Neither academic adviser Tim Blood nor vice president for college operations Marie Matsen can recall details of the program. "I remember a shelter with a 'RideShare' sign," said Blood, but "I don't recall any organized program."

In her search for better transportation options, ASLCC senator Moriah Demers found that the average student or faculty member with a ten mile commute to LCC could save \$1650 per school year by leaving their car at home and finding other modes of transportation.

Demers has focused her efforts on traffic and transportation issues at LCC. She has recently helped pass legislation to support the RideShare Alliance site. She said her ultimate goal on campus is to "reduce single occupancy vehicles."

In an effort to find other methods and help students, Demers plans to have a spring commuter challenge to reward those who commute. She also plans to continue promoting the bus and is working to have a bike path connecting LCC with the University of Oregon.





Do sitcoms make you stand up and walk out? Reality TV got you looking for an escape? Hit your local video store and pick up the following:

## Gems from the Old Continent

### "Vagabond" (1985, France)

A young woman is found frozen in a snowy ditch. Who was she? Sad story of an independence-bent wanderer trying to survive a harsh winter in France and the varied strangers who cross paths with her. -NS



### "Fitzcarraldo" (1982, Germany)

A driven Irishman's improbable quest to build an opera house at a point of perfect beauty on the Amazon. The final third of the film concerns hauling a steamboat over a mountain and was actually executed, on location in Peru, using no special effects. A unique and ingenious tragicomic epic by German master Werner Herzog and his favorite actor, the eccentric Klaus Kinski. -NS



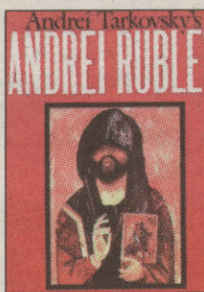
### "La Notte" (1961, Italy)

A couple's marriage dissolves over the course of a party. The husband, a writer, is a big flirt – an indiscreet one – and his beautiful wife is finally fed up and unforgiving. Dark, quiet, and hypnotic. -NS



### "Andrei Rublev" (1969, Russia)

Grand life story of the icon painter/monk and valuable as a portrait of turbulent 15th-century Russia, gorgeously photographed in black and white. A stunning example of film as art. Definitely only for the patient. -NS



## Season's Student Showcase scheduled

Applications open for one November performance

JACKIE MOLEN  
STAFF WRITER

The future stars of Lane Community College will climb out of obscurity and into the spotlight on Nov. 18, when the college will hold its fall Student Showcase in the Performance Hall on the main campus.

The Student Showcase was created by the Music department in 1998 as a way for students taking private lessons through the school to perform what they had been working on in front of an audience. Over the years it has evolved into a talent venue for all arts, including dance and acting. Now, it's open for everyone to apply.

Students interested in performing need only pick up an application from Jim Greenwood in the Performing Arts building. Potential performers have a faculty member sign their application stating that they have seen the act and think it is worthy of involvement.

Applications are due Nov. 16.

For those feeling they need more practice, there will be another showcase in December.

## A "Ray" of hope this year in movies

Everything you didn't know about the man behind the music

NOAH STEPHENS  
A & E EDITOR

Ray Charles Robinson, better known by his first two names, had an amazing life and an apparently amazing ability to overcome.

As the titular subject of "Ray," which opened this weekend, Jamie Foxx overcomes a poor childhood in dusty rural Georgia, the death of his kid brother, sudden blindness at age seven, discrimination and heroin addiction.

Going into the film, I knew none of this, but that is one of the good things about "Ray." It is the story of a man who many are familiar with but may know little about. And as much as it's a story of an original and indomitable spirit, it's a story of trials and tribulations, of torment and talent – the old story of misery breeding genius.

Like "Amadeus," this is one of those films in which music plays an integral part (it's all actually Ray Charles on the soundtrack, though Foxx is a classically trained pianist) and raises the film to a new level. Here that level is near greatness.

Director Tyler Hackford also understands that a blind person must learn to rely on and be hypersensitive to the world of sound. He makes that world alive for us.

In one of the many flashbacks to Charles' childhood, Ray falls coming into the house and begins screaming for his mother to help him. His tough-skinned mom (Sharon Warren) is there to aid him, but knows that her son has to get accustomed to helping himself, to cope with his infirmity in an unsympathetic world.



Universal Pictures

Jamie Foxx gives an extraordinary portrayal of Ray Charles in "Ray," which opened in theaters Oct. 29.

She watches silently, torn emotionally but unyielding. Slowly, he picks himself up and, for the first time, begins to tune in to the sounds around him. The wind outside, a grasshopper walking across the floor, and finally the breathing of his mother, whose presence she cannot hide, to whose eyes he's brought tears.

This is just one example of the many scenes that put saltwater in our own eyes; another is the death of his brother, which Ray watches in shocked confusion. His mother scolds him for doing nothing to help – and this moment haunts him all his life – but he was just five, and paralyzed by the sight the same way a boy that age might be by an unseen monster crawling under the bed. Regardless, haunted he becomes, and as a man (it seems we're intended to believe) he is quite an escapist because of the experience.

He escapes via the aforementioned heroin and through compulsive womanizing. The latter leads to hurt feelings, but the drugs lead to physical tells, trouble with the law and almost divorce.

When he finally knows he

must kick the habit, realizes that it has turned him into the cripple his mother told him never to be, he does so without the aid of methadone or some other substitute, and the way that pain is portrayed is almost painful to watch.

Indeed I was frequently moved by this biopic, which is often saddening (without being manipulative or comprising), but so is it uplifting.

The film also looks good. With marquee billings flashing across the screen and sepia-toned splices of busy American cities, there is the quality to it of a vintage collage.

The best of the many good things about "Ray," though, is Foxx's performance. While always conveying appropriate depth, he gets the mannerisms of the man just right, and in doing so, truly and infallibly embodies him. He will certainly be nominated for a Best Actor Oscar and may win it.

That's right. Jamie Foxx is officially a good actor, and this – the perfect tribute to Charles, who died earlier this year, the musician who mixed gospel and R&B and took a stand against segregation – is one of the best films of 2004.

## Denali deadline fast approaching

The literary arts magazine sends out one last call for submissions

TRAVIS BACHMEIER  
FOR THE TORCH

Lane Community College offers a student medium for people who would like to showcase their artistic and literary talents. Denali, the student-run literary arts journal, could be the first opportunity for many students to enter the publishing world.

The magazine, published once each term, prints works of poetry, fiction, creative nonfiction, photographs, drawings, paintings and photos of three-dimensional art.

All residents of Lane County are welcome to submit their work at any time. Submissions will be evaluated by the Denali editorial board for style, sensibility, voice and artistic merit. Submissions are limited to ten pieces per person, per term.

The roughly 40-page journal is funded by LCC student fees and is independent and uncensored.

Each term the editorial board reviews approximately 100 literary and 40 art entries from 60-80 individuals.

Copies of the current issue of Denali can be found in distribution

boxes around campus. The magazine has also formed strategic alliances with various area retailers, including Club Tsunami and Borders Books, making it available at these locations as well.

Anyone interested in submitting work can pick up a submission form in Building 18, Room 213 or visit the Denali website at [www.lanecollege.edu/denali](http://www.lanecollege.edu/denali). The deadline to submit work for fall term is Friday, Nov. 5.







PHOTO COURTESY OF GRADY O'CONNOR

The Titan women dash toward a second-place finish at Southern Regions on Oct. 30. The next event for the LCC team will be the NWAACC Championship in Seattle, Wash. on Nov. 13.

## Cross-country captures second at Southern Regions warm-up

SHAWN MILLER  
SPORTS EDITOR

Two second-place trophies were earned last Saturday as the Lane cross-country teams placed at Southern Regions, a warm-up for the NWAACC Championships in Seattle, Wash., on Nov. 13.

The men ended close to winning the Southern Region title, trailing Clackamas 35-32.

"Doug [McCallum], our fifth runner, slipped and fell," director of cross-country Grady O'Connor said. "Whether that made a 15 second difference, that's hard to say."

Matt Barnhart placed second (26:38) in the 8,000M event with fellow-Titan Zach Done in third (26:59). John Barreto ended in fifth (27:09) and Anthony Monteleone in eleventh (29:19).

"The front three (Barnhart, Done and Barreto) have very different running styles," Titans

head coach Ross Krempley said. "For some reason, they always end up at the end together."

Mt. Hood finished third with 53 points.

Katie Gilbert helped the Titans secure second place on the women's side with a third-place finish (19:49). Teammates Tiffany Gibson placed seventh (20:35), Megan Confer eleventh (21:17), Andrea Nelson fourteenth (21:33) and Mary Chelone fifteenth (21:34).

"The girls are definitely a tight squad," said Krempley, who was named Southern Region women's Coach of the Year. "They never cease to amaze me. They are starting to realize the potential they knew they had coming into the season."

Clackamas won the title with 36 points and Clark finished third, three points behind the Titans.

Southern Regions was a nice event to prepare for

the upcoming NWAACC Championships, where 12 schools will compete.

"There is definitely a different feel to the race," O'Connor said referring to the NWAACCs. "There are more packs of runners."

"It's not like baseball or basketball where divisions matter," O'Connor said. "Southern Regions is like an Oregon championship. It's fun to do well, but we are trying to win the NWAACCs."

Northern schools Highline and Spokane are expected to finish at the top, but O'Connor doesn't count out the Titans.

"We have two weeks to tune up. I think if we put it together, we can sneak into the trophy ceremony," O'Connor said.

The event is scheduled to start at 11 a.m. for the women and noon for the men. It is being held at Lincoln Park in Seattle, Wash. on Nov. 13.

## Darkness covers Sunshine State

During a week when streaks have been discussed more often than steroid use thanks to Boston's World Series title, another important streak was snapped last Saturday.

For the first time in over 26 years, Florida, Florida State and Miami all lost college football games on the same day. Should fans salute the broken streak or cheer for the newer state of college football?

That is debatable. The head coaches at each respective university described the snapped streak due to parity and that couldn't be more correct.

"I think teams are catching up from the standpoint of recruiting," Miami head coach Larry Coker said. "There is a lot of parity. If you're not on top of your game and make a play here and there when you need to, it can be a tough day."

Florida State head coach

Bobby Bowden agreed.

"It goes back to parity. There's much more evidence of that than there was five years ago or 10 years ago," Bowden said. "Our conference is getting pretty balanced."

It is not just the Athletic Coast Conference but every major conference that is getting balanced from top to bottom. There are no certain wins, as proven by Baylor (3-5) knocking off No. 16 Texas A&M Saturday. The same teams played a year ago with the outcome in favor of Texas A&M, 73-10.

Over the course of the past 10 years, universities are collecting more money from boosters, bowl games and the rising cost of tickets, concessions and the other amenities fans pay for at games. The increase has helped the teams' recruiting budget and enabled them to travel out of state for prospects.

Oregon, a football program that has recruited in the state of California for many years, has now started landing top prospects, including four players from last year's top high school in the nation, De La Salle.

Slowly but surely, universities are becoming more equal and it is good for the sport of college football. The cliché 'anybody can beat anybody on any given day' has never been truer.

I enjoy the close games and have fought for the idea that the Pac-10 is one of the best conferences due to the parity it holds. There are upsets each season, but none are shocking. Unfortunately, that means the programs beat up on each other during conference play and, aside from the University of Southern California over the past two seasons, none of the Pac-10 schools have had unbeatable records.

That is what I love about college football. Significant records are broken regularly and on any given Saturday, any team can win any game.

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## Creating a diverse community

ANGELINA MILLER  
FEATURES EDITOR

The Reading Together Program is in its second year at LCC. If you haven't been involved in it yourself, it's likely that you will be or know someone who is. What you might have not known is how the books are impacting people around campus, particularly the English as a Second Language students.

Jane King, a Eugene resident who has been instrumental in making the program a reality at LCC, first visualized ESL. Her goal was to build a better sense of community on campus and to provide students with "culturally enhancing activities" according to Reading Together coordinator Ellen Cantor.

The Reading Together Program achieves this in several ways. First, novels are selected that can be incorporated into several departments at LCC. Departments ranging from Art to English, Social Sciences and ESL are incorporating the books into classes.

Secondly, several activities, including guest speakers and discussion groups relating to the books, are held on campus.

"Students can get plugged in in a variety of ways," said Cantor. The books are really "integrated into campus," and the shared experience helps to "bring the campus together," she said.

This year, "House on Mango Street" by Sandra Cisneros and "A Larger Memory: A History of Our Diversity with Voices" by Ronald Takaki have been selected as the Reading Together books. Each book tells the tales of several immigrant groups and their lives in the U.S.

"House on Mango Street" is a coming of age story of a young Mexican-American girl named Esperanza. The tale is set on Mango Street, a fictional location in a predominately Hispanic area of Chicago. Esperanza tells of the hardships her family and others face on Mango Street. Eventually she leaves Mango Street behind in order to pursue higher education.

The books are told from individual accounts, which helps students relate on a more personal level, said Cantor. Tracy Henninger, ESL teacher, noted that the books help American students become "more sensitive and aware of how others might feel who are different from them."

Incidentally, the ESL program has relocated day classes from the downtown center to LCC's main campus. The move has brought approximately 350-375 students, many of them born outside the U.S., to campus.

The books have been instrumental in the ESL's move to campus. "House on Mango Street" has been used in the ESL College Transition Class. There are "so many cultural references in Mango Street," and as a result a lot is familiar to Spanish-speaking students, said Henninger. ESL student Mario Fandino commented that he could relate to the book because "the author writes the way I think."

Through Reading Together, ESL students have something in common with others who have participated in the program on campus. They could talk to somebody on campus about the book, noted Henninger. Students can also attend guest speaker seminars or some of the other Reading Together events.

Henninger had one ESL student last year, whose name Henninger did not wish to disclose, who read the Reading Together books and attended a play based on one of the novels. The student later informed Henninger, "This is the first thing I was able to go to and understand," because of reading the book that had been used in class.

The books have also helped American students understand and relate to other cultures better. Mango Street is "good for students who may have not been able to experience diversity before," remarked ESL student Braner Dantas. Mango Street "brings a different experience and new culture," to campus, commented Dantas.

The cultural awareness that the reading program has brought to campus is helping to "build a community with greater awareness of contributions of individuals from other cultures," said Cantor. The program is helping to create a more diversely educated student population and passing on knowledge that can be used at LCC and throughout life.



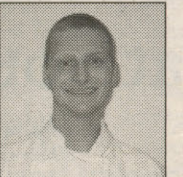
## Green Lentil Salad

Collin Rhoades has a passion for vegetarian food, and after graduation he hopes to start his own vegan-vegetarian restaurant in town the Eugene area.

Most second year Culinary Arts students are counting down the days until graduation but Rhoades is planning a second degree in hospitality and management.

Rhoades enjoys cooking but lists meat dishes as the hardest to prepare because he is vegetarian. "The not wanting to taste it and knowing you have to" makes it particularly difficult, he said.

Rhoades chose this recipe because his family loves it, he said.



Collin Rhoades

### Green Lentils Salad

#### Ingredients:

- 1 cup dried lentils (green)
- 3 cups water
- 1 small sweet onion
- 2 cloves
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 orange zest strip (1 inch wide and 2 inches long)
- (Place the cloves, bay leaf and orange zest inside the onion for added taste)
- 2 T. tarragon white wine vinegar
- 1/8 t. salt and ground pepper
- 1 t. Dijon mustard
- 1/3 cup extra virgin olive oil
- 1 carrot peeled and shredded
- 1/2 green bell pepper (seeded, ribbed and cut into small dice)
- 1 T. minced green onion
- 8 romaine leaves (carefully washed and dried)

Instructions: Bring lentils to a boil on medium high heat along with onion, bay leaf, cloves and orange zest. Reduce to a simmer until lentils are done, approximately 30-35 minutes.

For salad dressing: In separate bowl, combine vinegar and salt, whisking until salt is dissolved. Whisk in pepper and mustard until blended. Pour in olive oil without mixing. Carrot, green bell pepper, green onion and romaine leaves can be tossed in dressing or dressing can be poured on top of mixture. Next combine lentils to mixture, toss and enjoy.

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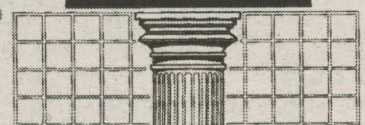
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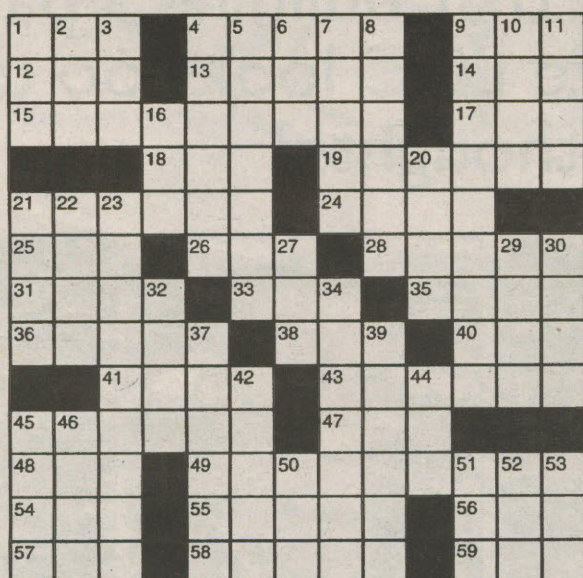
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## SALOME'S STARS



For the Week of November 4, 2004

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Lots of choices could make it difficult to select what is best for your needs. Avoid snap judgments. Take the time to check them all out to find the one that really meets your goals.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) You could once again experience pressure from others who would like to see you move in another direction. But heed your Bovine instincts to stay on your own path.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Taking charge of a project that seems to be about to stall or collapse altogether could be a challenge. But once everyone knows what you expect of him or her, things should go smoothly.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Avoid the pressures of the upcoming holiday period by setting a time right now to discuss how to divide up the responsibility of helping a loved one come through a difficult period.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) It's not too early for all you Leonas and Leos to start making long-distance travel plans. The sooner you stop procrastinating and start deciding where, when and how you're going, the better.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Someone you've known for years might disappoint you, or even make you feel you've been betrayed. But check the facts carefully before you make charges that could backfire on you.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) A holiday plan might need to be revised to accommodate an unexpected complication. Come up with an alternative arrangement as soon as possible to avoid more problems down the line.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Don't accept halfway explanations for a situation that requires full disclosure. The more you know now, the better able you will be to handle any complications that might arise.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) The cooperation you relied upon might not be easy to get. Maybe there's an information gap. See if everyone understands the situation. If not, be sure to offer a full explanation.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Problems caused by that recent workplace distraction should soon be easing, allowing you to resume working at a less frantic pace. That personal matter also begins to ease up.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Changing your mind about a job decision isn't easy for the usually committed Aquarian. But once you check it out, you'll find facts you didn't know before. And facts don't lie.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Your unique way of sizing up a situation gives you an edge in resolving that upsetting workplace problem. Stay on your current course regardless of any attempts to distract you.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You are emotionally attuned to what's going on around you, and you easily pick up on people's needs.

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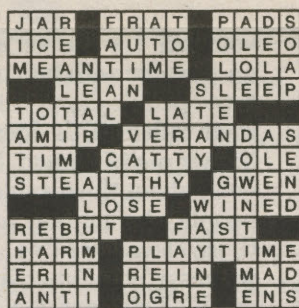
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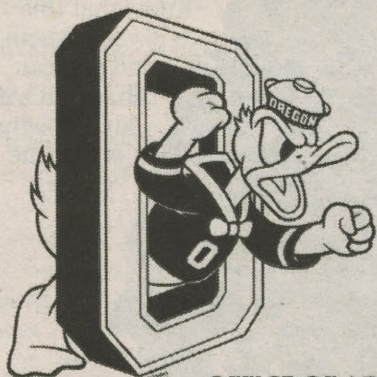
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**Abram Davis**  
AAOT

I think if you have a parking garage that's two levels underground and two levels above ground, it's not taller than any of the buildings out here. So it wouldn't change too much. I think it would be good, because parking is kind of crappy out here.



**Christine Olmstead**  
Undecided

I think it'd be better for parking. In the morning it's really hard to find a parking spot. If you park up there on the hill when it's really muddy, you'll just slide down.



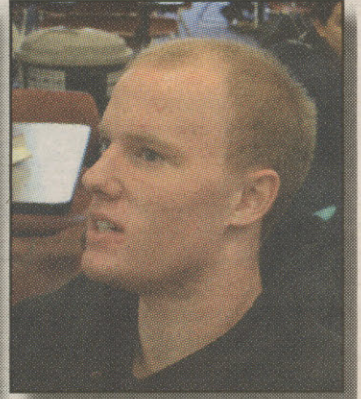
**Diane Zachman**  
MULTIMEDIA

I don't think they should really care about whether it looks urban or not, students need more parking.



**Holly Boleyn**  
FITNESS AND NUTRITION

I think it's a good idea because more parking is always better. At the same time, I don't mind walking. I have no problem parking far away and walking. But I do think more parking is always better and covered is definitely nice.



**Shaun Waggener**  
BUSINESS

It would really be nice to have a parking garage because a lot of times I park in the very far parking lots and I'm walking through the rain. With it raining three quarters of the year here, it'd be really nice to have a parking garage.

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## Rollin' till we die

As a second-year student at Lane, I have begun to notice an epidemic amongst the students. It's neither a

### Heath's Row



**HEATH WEIMER**  
COLUMNIST

disease nor a virus, but rather an incredibly inconsiderate thought process that's slowly becoming accepted, even mainstream. No, I'm not talking about Republicans on campus (although they need to be watched...). I am referring to the students who scoot around those blasted "rolly-backpacks."

You know what I'm talking about: the backpacks with wheels that we all see every single day, taking up the walkways, scaring away squirrels with their tune of rolling doom and, most heinous of all, giving those who are actually physically disabled a harder time.

Now keep in mind that I have nothing against the people who actually need the rolling backpacks. I'm sure that they have legitimate reasoning for their annoying accessories. To those out there who are disabled and using the backpacks, you go for it. It's the rest of you I'm talking to.

Two years ago was the first time I really noticed the backpack/suitcase combo device and I didn't

think much of them. They were far and few between and generally stayed away from me. However, this year the epidemic has reached outrageous proportions.

Recently when I was standing in the Students First line – line mind you, not sitting with a number because that would mean that the number system actually worked (one day we'll nail that DMV technology) – I began to people-watch, a favorite activity of mine. Over the course of standing there for 45 minutes,

I saw 28 students with those rolling backpacks. In all seriousness, these packs are a problem.

So what's wrong with more people having those packs you ask? For one, they have a very snooty way about them. They feel that since they get to slide their backpack along the ground with ease, they must know something that we, the simple folk who haven't discovered the packs, don't.

Secondly, they give those that actually need them a harder time. How,

you ask? Try and get onto an elevator with two or three people along with their rollers. This doesn't bother me too much, but what about the disabled people who actually need those elevators? I've witnessed first hand a disabled student denied access to an elevator because of them.

Notorious areas for elevator misuse are in the

Center building and over by Students First.

So what are we, as concerned students, to do about this?

Maybe we could simply ask those who don't need the packs to give them up and conform, though I doubt the rebels would succumb to someone else's rules. Why don't we get a student organization to do something? Well I'm trying to get the word out right now, but what about OSPIRG? They take some of your student fees and don't really contribute much, so put them to work!

In the end, it comes down to you, the student. Do you want to deal with these rolling menaces everywhere, everyday? No? Then call people out on it! Unless it's obvious that the person

has serious need for the pack, simply ask them, "Do you really need to bring that contraption here?"

Know that this is your school and you can change it. After all, knowing is half the battle.



## Is Bush the employee of the month?

Let's use the toughest glue on Bush – stick him to the wall and make him feel like getting out of office. He should go home back to the state of Texas.

### Mackworld



**JOHN MACKWOOD**  
COLUMNIST

I come from east Washington state. Some people are from the United Kingdom. My art sister might be British – she always talks funny. I'm used to it, but some people don't like it.

Holiday shopping is coming up. Use your cash, but not a credit card. Some stores cannot take money orders. Be more careful – always keep your money order number. Be more careful when using a money order or writing a check because they are just like money.

Let's all drink a lot more herbal tea or eat a lot more garlic bread. They're very good for your health so you won't get the big flu bug.

Make sure to vote John Edward Mackwood for November employee of the month for the Torch newsroom.

The December employee of the month for the newsroom will be the big boss editor, Travis Roderick. Who will be employees of the month in the new year? I've been thinking about it. Maybe Susan Wahlberg or Kristen Murphy. There's a lot more to come at the Torch.

**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.