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Grand opening set for Health Center

After a six-week delay, the new Student Health Center plans to open on Nov. 9

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MANAGING EDITOR

The sound of drills and other such electric tools have become very familiar in the neighborhood of Building 18. Next Wednesday, however, the Student Health Center will be up and running at its new location.

It was originally scheduled to open to staff and students before Fall term, but unexpected hang ups and a short deadline has caused an almost six-week delay in its opening.

"It was a larger project than could be accomplished in such a small amount of time," said construction coordinator Mike Ruiz. "We just underestimated the complexity of the project."

Despite the tardiness of the health center's opening, director Duke Vandervort is excited for its opening.

"This will be a high quality facility," Vandervort said. "People are going to feel like they're coming to a first class facility. It will be on par with any private health clinic in the community."

Construction crews faced many unexpected delays, mostly in shipping, which caused the open date to continually be pushed back. For instance, since the glass used for the windows was

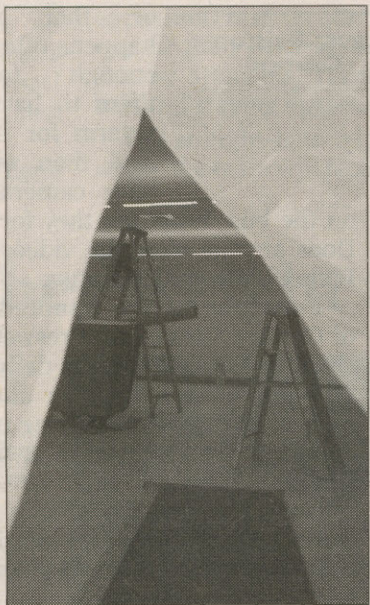


PHOTO BY NAOMI REICHMAN

Peeking inside a plastic drop rag, the new Student Health Center looks nearly done. It should be unveiled next week.

shipped from the east coast, Hurricane Katrina was a factor in the tardiness of its arrival, Ruiz said.

This was also the first job of its kind for Ruiz and his crew.

"Some of the design detail was different than what we're typically used to," he said.

One of the biggest factors was the difficulty Ruiz found in trying to enlist labor.

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PHOTO BY JAMES HOLK

Detectives recovered a body south of LCC on Halloween after a hunter called and reported the incident to the Lane County Sheriff's office late Sunday, Oct 30.

Decomposed body found one mile south of main campus

Investigators are still trying to identify the remains of an adult female

SKYE HARVEY
NEWS EDITOR

A hunter discovered the remains of what sheriffs believe to be an adult female just a mile south of the LCC campus on Sunday, Oct. 30. The sheriff's department was able to locate the body the following day.

After the Medical Examiners Office and Lane County Search and Rescue recovered the body, the remains were taken to Sacred Heart Hospital for further examination.

At this point, there is no evidence of trauma.

"We recovered the body and items around her that could have belonged to her," Deputy

medical examiner Frank Ratti said. "And we sent Search and Rescue to do a [100 ft.] perimeter check."

The body was so badly decomposed that sheriffs believe it was in the heavily wooded area for a number of months, possibly longer.

Because the body is decomposed, medical examiners are having a difficult time identifying the woman.

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Crime on campus: Tools aid thieves in recent break-ins

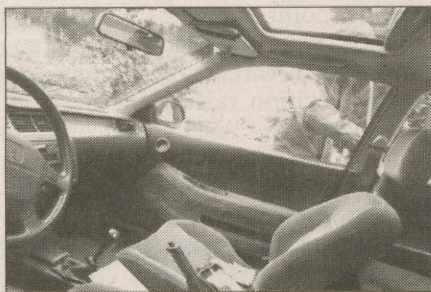


PHOTO BY JAMES HOLK

This hypothetical scenario illustrates one of many methods used to break into a car as the thief utilizes a crowbar. Vehicle break-ins are a continuing problem at LCC with a recent round of reports including one vehicle which was moved from one campus location to another.

Public Safety officer responds to break-ins with education in crime prevention

KAYLEE CAMPBELL
REPORTER

Crime on the LCC campus escalated over the past couple of weeks.

Last week several cars were broken into and one vehicle was actually moved.

Thursday, Oct. 27, was the most recent theft.

Someone left his debit card in the men's locker room; the debit card was already in use by the time the victim reported it missing.

The last car break-in

occurred just a week before, on Thursday, Oct. 20.

Unique to the recent break-ins, is the fact that vehicles were actually locked. Public Safety officer Jim Harris explained that Hondas and Toyotas are easy to get into, because shaved keys can trick the tumblers to open.

Thieves are also using "Slim Jims." Locksmiths use Slim Jims to get into vehicles when people misplace their keys. Thieves slip the tool down between the window and the door to reach the

lock area.

Despite evidence about the nature of the crimes, officers are still lacking suspect information.

"It is unclear [as] to who is committing these crimes, they could be students or people traveling Interstate 5," Harris said.

In response, officers at LCC plan to increase visibility but due to budget constraints there are only two officers on campus per shift. Harris therefore encourages students and staff to help watch for suspicious activity.

"Give people a chance to rethink stealing things," he

said.

Punishment of thefts is based on individual circumstances, and thus divided into three categories. Unlawful entry of a vehicle, depending on what was stolen can either be a Class A or a Class B misdemeanor. Fifty dollars of stolen goods leads to a Class B misdemeanor, but up to \$750 results in a Class A misdemeanor. Anything over \$750 is classified as a Class C felony.

For staff and students who aim to deter potential thieves, Harris offers a number of preventative measures.

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Words to live by

The winter is coming and the power may go out, you never know. I am always busy studying all day long. Or I stay up until 2 a.m..



Mackworld

John Mackwood
Columnist

Never eat soup and bread alone in the dark for dinner.

Stay in during the winter. Party out after independent study, it can take all day, but you can drive your car and do it in the classroom.

The federation believes that new Colgate Toothpaste strengthens and whitens enamel with a fluoride mineral formula. It is a luminous enamel strengthening paradise with a stay fresh cap. Twist off the cap, remove the foil seal and say hi to the future.

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

Crowded LTD falls under fire, again

I am still on my soapbox about the bus. Not only have we exceeded 30 people standing on our bus, the riders are beginning to get edgy. No, not edgy, downright rude! I have a physical handicap and cannot under any circumstances stand on the bus. I would fall right over. So, I purposely arrive at the bus stop 10 minutes early and take my place in line before anyone else, even in the rain, so I can get a place to sit down. Until this last week, my system has worked and I get a seat for the ride home.

As the number of people standing has increased, people are getting more creative in their methods to nab a seat. As I stood, the third person in line, I watched six young girls push past the first person in line and rush on the bus.

I loudly proclaimed "how rude!" but it didn't faze them. They plopped their butts in the first few seats they could find and ignored those of us who filed on after. I had to sit on the floor because as I said, I cannot stand on the bus.

It gets better, or should I say worse. People are not giving up the front seats to handicapped riders when they get on and the drivers are not asking anyone to give up their seat.

What is the purpose of the sign that says we are to give the front seats to the elderly

and handicapped? A woman with crutches should not be standing on the bus. An elderly woman with a cane should not be standing on the bus. Thirty people should not be standing on the bus. Why does everyone have to stand on the bus?

After the recent Katrina mess and the melee that followed, I am concerned about what is next for us. I watched desperate people take desperate measures after the hurricane. Here we are in our own storm and people are getting desperate. Maybe we won't have to capsize the bus; someone is bound to burn it.

Now, I realize you must think we are just whining. But I'm not talking about the bus around town; I'm talking about standing on the bus as it flies down the freeway at 65 mph all the way to Cottage Grove.

If memory serves me correctly, the bus comes to Cottage Grove and Creswell because employers there pay a tax. If the agreement was to provide service to us, then they should be providing it. I'm reasonably sure that the agreement was for a RIDE and not a STAND. I think someone

needs to reassess the plan and make some adjustments.

Last week as 31 people stood in the aisle zooming down the freeway, several riders used their cell phones to call LTD and complain. Imagine what a feat that was, hanging on with one hand and dialing with the other.

Here is where it gets more interesting. LTD has a term for a bus as full as ours; it's called "whiteline." Now, I'm not sure what disturbs me more; that we are overcrowded on the bus or that it happens often enough for them to have a term for it. And then we have cameras

on the bus. What are they for? Does anyone view the videos? It should be quite a feature.

I am one of the hundreds of Cottage Grove and Creswell citizens that use the bus daily. It saves money, the car and lessens the stress of driving in commuter traffic. At least it used to.

Now I worry about how I can get to an emergency exit if necessary or who will end up on top of me if we roll over.

Both our fair cities had to fight to get LTD services. Employers pay a tax that adds

up to quite a lot of money to ensure service for the town. If we are paying for it, I believe we should get it. Right now we are being cheated out of rides. LTD is getting a huge share of revenue.

If they don't know how to spend it properly or know nothing about customer service then maybe they should take a few business courses or the ever-popular Human Relations At Work course. Something needs to be done and I would just as soon it happened before we have a disaster.

I have decided that if an accident does occur and the ensuing disaster makes the news, I will have done my part by writing these few articles and bringing to the public's attention that we have a serious problem.

LTD is aware of the problem. I am sure of this because more than a dozen riders of bus 98 have called and complained. The replies range from "sorry" to "I feel for you" to "I can't do anything about it. Call the board." Hmm. Anybody notice that LTD has several openings on their board? I think one of us should apply for the position and get our concerns heard. Instead of looking to the powers that be maybe we should just be the power!

Power to the people! Ride on!

Commentary



Laura Ralston
Columnist

Letters to the Editor

The rest of the story

The Torch article regarding LTD's free bus token program fails to note critical information about a program that has helped thousands in our community.

While it's true that the program was modified in January 2005, and that 300 tokens per month would no longer be provided to Catholic Community Services (CCS), it failed to note that nearly all the agencies receiving free tokens from CCS purchased discount tokens for their clients through the LTD non-profit program.

Catholic Community Services provides vital services in our community and for many years was the clearinghouse for those who needed transportation services.

This changed as more non-profit agencies began offering services to meet the needs of individuals who fell through the cracks of government sponsored programs.

LTD created a program in 1991 to assist non-profits in their efforts and I am unaware of another transit district that offers a program like this one.

As demand grew LTD modified the program to meet growing needs. An

annual cap of \$12,000 was originally established, but at no time has the cap been enforced. The reason for the 2005 change was related to the dramatic growth in the number of agencies and their programs.

Over 100 agency programs now participate, which means LTD could provide discounts totaling \$243,000 annually. In 2005 it is estimated that over \$70,000 in discounts will be granted.

When LTD met with agencies during the summer of 2004, there was valuable discussion about how agency coordination could be used to ensure needs would be met.

It's true CCS is now asked to participate in the same manner as other non-profit agencies, however through agency coordination there are enough resources to meet needs.

Andy Vobora
Director of Marketing and Communications
Lane Transit District

Getting to know ASLCC

Jeremy Riel ASLCC President believes in the importance of addressing issues, which affect the quality of student

campus life; "Our job here is to be a voice and advocate for important issues to students and student rights..." The students of LCC have a voice, and it is distinguished through the ASLCC.

The ASLCC is a student government decision-making body for the students on campus. They present a fair and objective voice to administration for the students, speaking out on issues that directly affect the everyday life of students on campus.

Currently addressed are the high costs in food prices, developing student organizations and clubs as well as researching the inflation of book prices.

This fall the ASLCC is heading the development of a student union space for students to gather, relax and assist with the creation of more internet resources for student use.

The student government looks to these problems with a tangible unbiased view on how to make issues better for the students and enhance the quality of their time spent at LCC. Since the members of the ASLCC are students themselves, we understand how problems affect you because we are affected as well.

This years fall team of ASLCC members consist of the following...The

executive team: President Jeremy Riel, Vice-President Sara Summer, Campus Events and Multicultural Program Coordinator Steve Babkrik and Treasurer Sam Hediger. The Senate Team: Senate President Pro-tempore Silver Mogart, Senator Happi Matthews, Senator Karen Catlin, Senator Amber Doyle, Senator Scott Brooks and Senator Jet Eccleston. The Staff Team: State Affairs Director Andy Price, Communications Director Michelle Wasner, Student Resource Center Director Marie Hutchens, and Book Consignment Director Roger Gednalske.

It is your education, the pivotal learning point in your life when you enhance your intellect and prepare to take on a career, or reinforce your current position raising the horizon of your mind. The ASLCC welcomes any students interested in volunteering on current projects or bringing attention to issues that are currently affecting their school experience in a negative manner. 'It's your education, take control, get involved'.

The ASLCC is located in Building 1 Room 210.

Michelle Wasner
ASLCC Communications Director

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MicroBusiness makes big local contributions

Oregon Economic and Community Development Department awards grants to Lane County businesses

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COPY EDITOR

Two grants will be awarded to help Lane County's small business owners. Lane MicroBusiness announced that the grants would help fund business training and technical assistance.

Oregon Economic and Community Development Department (OECD) are awarding these grants for those with small businesses.

LMB will be sponsoring an orientation in Spanish at the

LCC Business Development Center on Nov. 17. They will talk about the \$60,000 grant that consists of an 18-month project for business training and income counseling. The grant will aid qualified Spanish speaking entrepreneurs, women entrepreneurs and minority or disabled entrepreneurs for northeast Oregon and Lane County.

A Non-entitlement Community Development Block grant, of \$65,000 will also aid rural Lane County. It would help fund income-qualified

individuals with school or online classes, and one-on-one technical assistance.

Jobs that have the potential to grow will need these grants in order to help themselves start or develop as a business and be able to allow more jobs and pay rises for Lane County's micro entrepreneurs.

All eligible micro entrepreneurs will be offered savings programs by LMB.

For each dollar saved, the program will match with \$3, and will give up to a maximum of \$4,000.

New restrictions don't mean much to creditors

Credit companies pursue college students as fiercely as ever despite new tougher bankruptcy laws

LARRY COONRAD
REPORTER

New bankruptcy laws have not deterred companies from aggressively marketing credit cards to college students.

Discover Card set up shop in the LCC cafeteria during the week of Oct 17. Hot tub rental discounts lured students to the company's table where they were encouraged to fill out a Discover Card application.

According to a recent survey by Smith College, 65 percent of college students have credit card debt averaging \$2,400. Of those surveyed, 20 percent did not know the annual

percentage rate of their credit cards.

Businesses that offer credit cards at LCC are asked to be upfront with students about interest rates according to Tina Lymath, of Student Life Services. Deceiving students would result in the offending business being banned from campus, Lymath said.

On Oct. 17, the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2005 (BAPCPA) took effect. Declaring bankruptcy under the new rules is considerably more difficult than it was before.

Debtors must now pay for

credit counseling before filing for bankruptcy. Means testing, based on income, determines whether an applicant will be allowed to discharge all of their debt or if they must make payments to creditors.

Finance companies bear no responsibilities for their easy credit requirements and aggressive marketing strategies under BAPCPA. Lobbyists for the credit card companies successfully kept restrictions on credit card marketing out of the new law.

LCC has no plans to curb the offering of credit cards to students on campus according to Lymath.

"Students need to be responsible for their own debt. They can run into these credit card offers anywhere," she said.

Energy experts to head panel talk as part of reading program

The Reading Together Project presents 'Energy to Change'

PEGGY GREEN
REPORTER

On Nov. 3 there will be a panel discussion on energy and the larger issue of how we approach our use of it. The discussion will be in Building 19, the Center for Meeting and Learning, Room 104, from 10 a.m. to noon.

The public is welcome to drop by, come late, or leave early.

The premise behind this discussion is that individuals, and as a culture tell stories that direct people to keep behaving in ways that deplete our finite resources.

Questions explored by the panel will include: What are these stories? Why do people keep repeating them? If these stories change can people change communities?

The panel discussion is presented by The Reading Together Project in conjunction with the 2005-2006 theme, "Circling Home: Stories

and Sustainable Communities."

Ellen Cantor is the program's director. The stories that are told "in the mainstream culture...reflect our values of an infinite set of resources.

As long as we keep telling ourselves these stories we're never going to change our relationship to our social communities," Cantor said.

The panel will explore what LCC may be doing to change these stories, and what individuals can do.

Included on the panel are: Roger Ebbage: Director of LCC's Energy Management Program; Anna Scott: LCC's newly hired Energy Analyst; Jennifer Hayward: Sustainability Coordinator for LCC; Tammie Stark, MA: Rainwater Utilization and Water Education specialist and owner of Eugene Rainwater, and Jim Maloney: EWEB Energy Resource Project Manager.

For additional information contact Ellen Cantor, 463-3660. To explore the Reading Together's website, go to www.lanecc.edu/readingtogether.

The mother of the Civil Rights Movement Rosa Parks dies at 92

HEATHER SERAFIN
EDITOR IN CHIEF

American icon Rosa Parks, who helped spark the Civil Rights Movement in the 1950's and 1960's, died of natural causes at 92, Monday, Oct. 24.

By refusing to give up her bus seat to a white man in Montgomery, Ala., in 1955, Parks was arrested and convicted of violating the segregation laws. The result was a 13-month boycott of the bus by blacks in Montgomery.

Often referred to as humble, Parks was a reluctant civil rights pioneer though she hoped her experience would encourage people to help others.

She was an active member of the N.A.A.C.P. and with her husband Raymond, took part in voter registration drives.

Parks was most recently in the news for her lawsuit against the hip-hop act Outkast, for their song, "Rosa Parks."

Her husband Raymond died in 1977; Parks had no other immediate family.

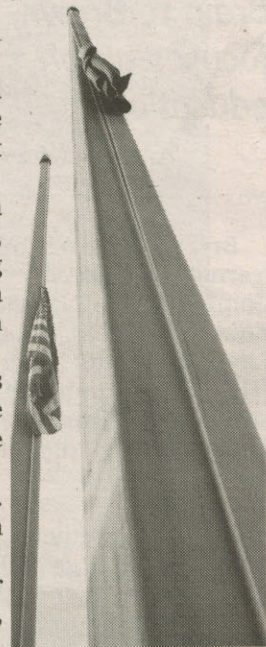


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News Flash

EID-AL-FITR TO BE CELEBRATED

Eid-al-Fitr, celebrating the end of Ramadan, will be observed Thursday, Nov. 3 with traditional snacks and juices in the Multi-Cultural Center, Building 1, Room 201.

FIND THE ENERGY TO CHANGE

A group of energy experts will discuss options for change in a presentation, "Energy to Change," on Thursday, Nov. 3 from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. in the Center for Meeting and Learning, Building 19, Room 104.

Panelists include Roger Ebbage, Energy Management Program director, Anna Scott, energy analyst, and Jennifer Hayward, sustainability coordinator, all from LCC; and Tammie Stark, rainwater utilization and water education specialist and owner of Eugene Rainwater; and Jim Maloney, EWEB energy resource project manager.

PHOTO PLATE FUNDRAISER WILL ASSIST CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

The Child Development Center is having a Photo Plate fundraiser this week. Those interested can bring a favorite photo, 3" to 8" x 10" and receive a 10" melamine plate. The cost is \$15. The photo will be returned along with the plate. The deadline for orders is Nov. 7.

See a sample of the plates at: <http://teach.lanecc.edu/munkvoldj/ece/plates%20001.jpg>, and download the order form at: <http://teach.lanecc.edu/munkvoldj/ece/Plate.pdf>

FACULTY RECOGNITION AWARD NOMINATIONS SOUGHT

Faculty Recognition Awards are conferred every term in response to nominations from students, staff, faculty and alumni. All faculty members (classroom instructors, cooperative education coordinators, librarians and counselors) are eligible. The Spring 2005 nomination is now underway. Nomination forms and ballot boxes are located at the Student Resource Center, LCC Downtown Center, the Library, and the Office of Instruction and Student Services. All nominations must be returned to The Office Instruction and Student Services by 4 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 8.

Visit the website at <http://teach.lanecc.edu/fra>

WOMEN'S CENTER VIDEO SERIES

The Women's Center Friday video series continues with "People Like Us: Social Class in America, Part 2," at noon in the Women's Center, Building 1, Room 202 on Friday, Nov. 4. The video examines social class and its role in the lives of all Americans. Commentators make connections between daily life and larger issues of class in America. The film also addresses how social class has as much influence as race or ethnicity in determining what kind of opportunities a person has in life.

THE HEALTH CLINIC

The Health Clinic will be closed Friday, Nov. 4, from 12-5 p.m. and all day Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 7 and 8. It will re-open Wednesday, Nov. 9 at the remodeled facility in Building 18, Room 101.

Take a break and have some fun
<http://www.yeeguy.com/freerall/georgerag.swf>

PE, health courses make new LCC learning community

Brain to Brawn, focuses on physical education

ALEX JENSEN
REPORTER

Brain to Brawn is the newest learning community at LCC. Combining the classes Fitness Education (PE 100) and Lifetime Health and Fitness (HE 275), Brain to Brawn strives to give students a better understanding of their own health.

Learning Communities utilize what students learn in an individual class and apply it directly to another class.

"It's exciting to be involved in a learning community that involves health lecture classes that apply in their exercise activities," Brain to Brawn instructor Tina Davis said.

Each learning community is a co-requisite required class, meaning students need to be enrolled in both classes in the same term. The communities have the same group of students in each class.

With the same students in each class, instructors strive to promote teamwork and a cooperative learning environment.

By staying in a core group, students depend on one another and learn to work as a group.

The Brain to Brawn program focuses on incorporating a health lecture class with fitness

education. Instructors believe participation in the program is a great way to use academics to benefit student health and daily life.

A healthier lifestyle is not the only advantage; however, each class builds off its counterpart.

For instance, one lecture is spent learning about flexibility, and the next fitness session students will learn to apply the information in real life by stretching their muscles. The fusion of information and hands-on experience helps the student fully comprehend the subject matter and truly learn the course objectives.

Not to mention it makes the homework exceedingly easy.

Brain to Brawn is a different type of class with different goals in mind.

"By better use of their time and support from the same classmates...students learn to apply health concepts in everyday activities," Davis said.

Applying online for the course follows the same steps as most other classes, but when signing up for the community, both Course Registration Numbers must be included. Failure to do so will result in an error and reminder that it is a co-requisite course.

Brain to Brawn is an Associates of Arts Oregon Transfer accepted class.

Learning Communities are offered for various class combinations and more are created each term.

BREAK IN from page 1

First and foremost, cars should always be locked with windows rolled up. Secondly, it is important to leave unnecessary items at home, keeping valuables out of unattended vehicles whenever possible.

A good precaution to ensure the safe return of potentially stolen items is to mark valuable belongings or write down the serial numbers. With textbooks, students should make marks specific to them as individuals, proving the book does not belong to another student. Officer Harris suggests simple marks like a birth date or a certain design on a certain

page.

If all else fails and a crime does occur, Harris offered hints when reporting crimes: Give an idea of where the crime took place. Mentioning a particular parking lot can become confusing because there are seven West parking lots. Landmarks will give the officer a better idea of where the crime occurred.

Also, he suggested to report the occurrence as soon as possible. Haste on the victim's behalf gives the thief less time to get away with the stolen goods. Finally, he said that victims should give identifiers of stolen goods.

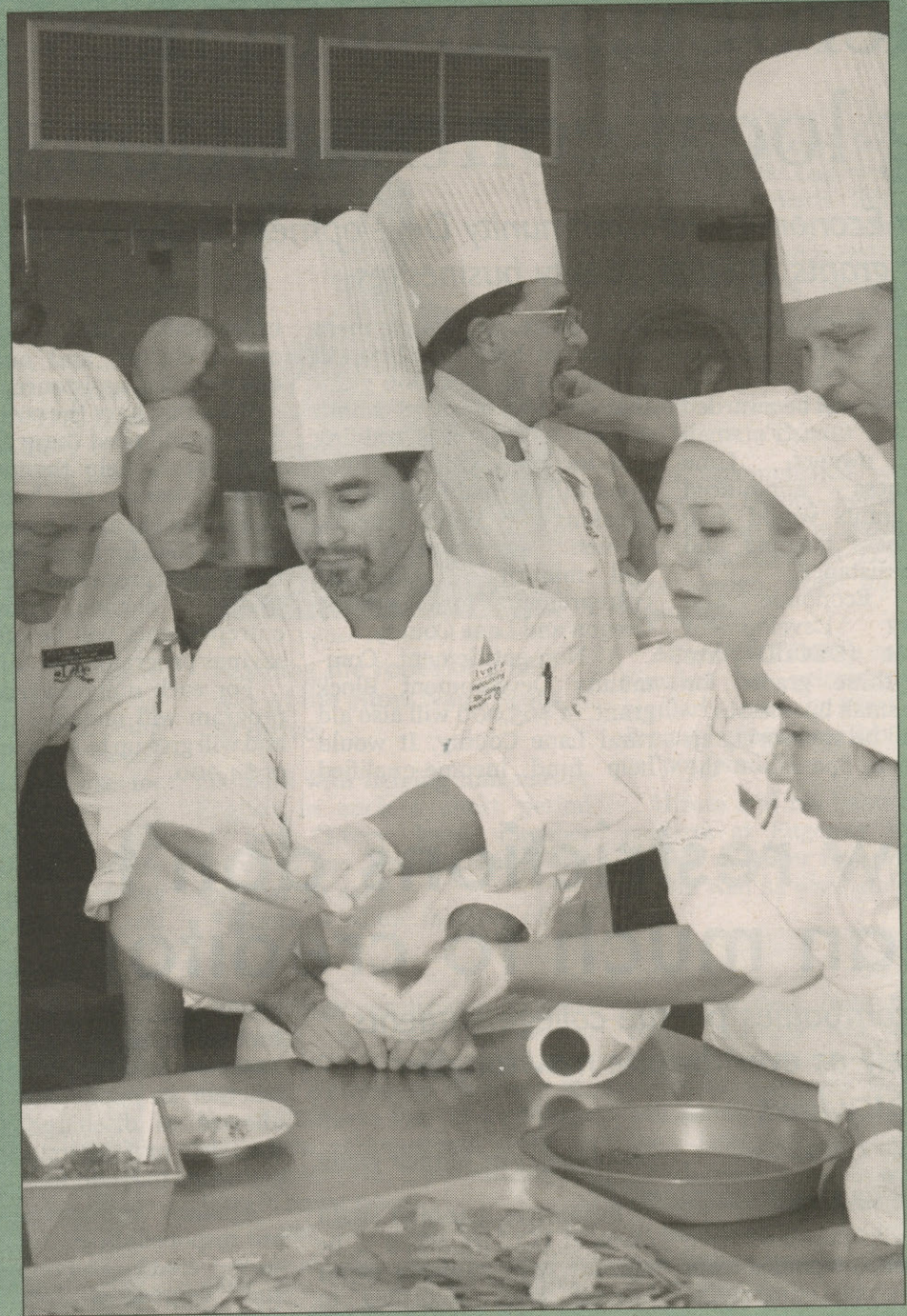


PHOTO BY JARED MILLS

Guest chef Stu Stein of Rivers Restaurant in Portland gives students some culinary tips and tricks as chief instructor Chris Costwhite looks on.

Chef's cook up Harvest

ARIEL BURKHART
COPY EDITOR

LCC's Culinary Arts, Hospitality students, and faculty presented the third annual Harvest dinner Oct. 28. It will benefit students and programs at LCC.

The LCC Foundation Board of Directors and the Culinary Arts program gained profits from the dinner and drew such large crowds that the event sold out.

Rare and unique items were auctioned as well as many dinner parties and lessons in watercolor at LCC.

Chef Stu Stein designed the menu

that attracted the crowds. Stein has worked everywhere from Portland to France, and from Kansas to Washington D.C. He is a featured chef in a series of cooking books called "New American Cuisine" and co-authored "The Sustainable Kitchen, Passionate Cooking Inspired by Farms, Forests and Oceans."

The event chairs for the evening were Dan and Chris Dunnington. Dan has been a member of the LCC Foundation Board for 25 years.

Sid and Hank Voorhees were the auctioneers for the night's events. There was a silent auction with hors d'oeuvres, followed by a dinner and live auctions.

Distinguished alumni receive top awards

Four former LCC students honored at the Harvest Dinner ceremony

LARRY COONROD
REPORTER

Soaring achievement and a commitment to LCC is the common denominator of the 2005 LCC Distinguished Alumni award winners.

The Lane Community College Foundation presented the annual award to four former LCC students during ceremonies at the Harvest Dinner on Oct. 28. Recipients Jeanne Benson, LuAnne Boettiger, Jerry Smith and

Timothy Wahlberg all enjoyed success in their chosen fields. Each dedicated years of their lives to helping the students who came after them.

Springfield Chief of Police and former U.S. Marine Jerry Smith earned an associates degree in criminal justice from LCC in 1972. He later earned a masters degree in interdisciplinary studies from the University of Oregon and is graduate from the FBI Academy. In addition to his duties as chief, Smith teaches

criminal justice courses at Lane and has chaired the college's criminal justice advisory committee.

Smith believes that attending LCC was an important stepping-stone in his career.

"I think the biggest thing attending Lane Community College did for me was tease my need for education. I recognized the need for education beyond LCC," he said.

Jeanne Benson earned a BS in community service and public affairs from the University of Oregon in 1976 after attending LCC. Benson spent 20 years at the Pearl Buck Center in Eugene. Her

service there included five years as a parent volunteer and 15 years as a case development specialist. Benson recently retired as the executive director of Catholic Community Services after 15 years of service. Benson supervised interns from LCC at the Pearl Buck Center and Catholic Community Services.

Timothy Wahlberg graduated from LCC with an associate of science degree in 1969 after serving in the U.S. Army as a helicopter technician and door gunner in Vietnam. Wahlberg went to work as a mechanic for Evergreen Helicopter after graduation and today is president of Evergreen

International Aviation Inc. where he oversees 4,500 employees worldwide. Benson has chaired LCC's aviation advisory committee and Evergreen provides numerous resources for the aviation program.

LuAnne Boettiger graduated with an associate degree in nursing from LCC in 1976. She earned a BS in nursing in 1986 and a masters in nursing in 1992, both from Oregon Health Sciences University. Today Boettiger is director of staff development at McKenzie-Willamette Medical Center and an adjunct professor at Northwest Christian College.

You're not cool enough to eat at The Blue Luna Club

Downtown restaurant serves good food and smooth music

RANDY WOOCK
A&E EDITOR

The Blue Luna Club has such an attractive atmosphere that it would be a crime against God if the place wasn't packed with young hipsters on a Saturday night, but the waitress assured me that the place was more crowded on the weekends.

Show up on a Sunday evening and, along with the fabulous grub and marvelous drink specials, there's live jazz music.

APPETIZERS:

If you're out with a vegetarian try the Johnnycakes. Everything else has got some kind of

dead animal in it (like the Jerk Prawn Skewers for \$6.95).

The Johnnycakes, however, are like pancakes with cheese stuffing.

The recipe for making Johnnycakes is: split open your morning pancakes, slip some gouda in there, then seal it back up. Maybe bring some jelly along to dip it in.

Johnnycakes happen to be surprisingly good; and vegetarian.

FOOD REVIEW

ATMOSPHERE:

Blue Luna is on the second floor of a building on the intersection of 13th and Willamette. There's not much to see from the patio, unless you're

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Community Art Events

Cool stuff coming soon to a town near you

Classical Thai Music and Dance

Friday, Nov 4, 5 p.m.
Eugene Public Library
A Thai delegate will meet Eugene Mayor Kitty Pierce and Springfield Mayor Sid Leiken to celebrate a donation of books and other media to the Eugene and Springfield public libraries. The donation is in celebration of Thai King Bhumibol's 60 years on the throne. There will be demonstrations of classical Thai music and dance, and a preview of the

book donations will be on display.

Free Concert for At-Risk Youths

Saturday, Nov 5, 2-5 p.m.
Looking Glass Station 7
2485 Roosevelt Blvd.

All that dangerous living and bad lifestyle choices are finally going to pay off. If you or someone you know is qualifies for the at-risk label, then there's a free concert in your future.

The Girlfriend Experience will be playing at Looking Glass Station 7 Runaway Youth Shelter. A jam session with the band members will follow the concert.

The event is organized

by the ACCHORD Music Mentorship Program and the Music for Healing Program.

Following the music will be a free pizza dinner.

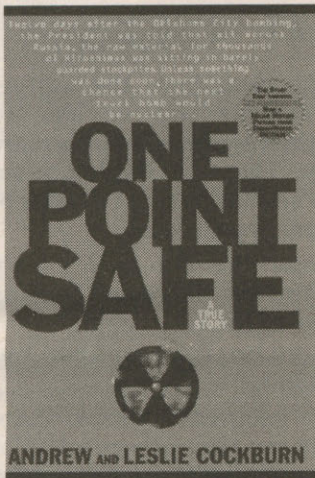
First Friday ArtWalk

Friday, Nov 4, 5:30 p.m.

Eugene Public Library

Fifty tote bags decorated by local artists will be on display at the Eugene Public library Friday Nov. 3. The display will be followed the next month by an auction of Eugene Public Library Foundation's fundraising Authors and Artists Fair on Saturday, Dec. 3. Proceeds from the auction go to help support the Eugene Public Library.

'One Point Safe' provides reader with a view of nuclear issues



Off The Shelf

Book shows how Russia is one big nuclear flea market

RANDY WOOCK
A&E EDITOR

Ever wonder what happened to the all those nukes that the Soviet Union developed during the Cold War? Well, this book ("One Point Safe" by Andrew and Leslie Cockburn. Doubleday. 1997) provides the inside information as well as some stuff that might keep readers up at night.

The Skinny: A chilling account of what's been happening to all those nukes left when

the Soviet Union broke up. They're all lying in poorly guarded warehouses, sometimes protected by nothing more than a padlock and a few dangerously underpaid Russians. And yes, people have been stealing and selling them. Frequently.

The Good: Say somebody did use smuggled uranium to detonate a homemade nuke right in the middle of any city in the world, it would get huge public attention and reaction.

The Bad: The book, though non-fiction, is written in the style of a military thriller. However, the bare facts presented in "One Point Safe" are more than enough to set the reader's pulse racing without the a fictional genre's style.

The Ugly: Members of the Russian navy were caught trying to sell weapons-grade uranium for \$50,000.

Additional Info: Andrew and Leslie Cockburn are both seasoned journalists. All their books come highly recommended. Andrew's book, "The Threat" debunked the myth of a Soviet military menace back before the Reagan administration revived it to such popular acclaim (when the key scare-word was 'communist' instead of 'terrorist').

Leslie's "Out of Control" detailed the other fun bits such namely, dealing drugs and slaughtering Latin Americans in the 1980s.

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Tasty treat for winter

Here's a recipe for muffins that'll help you through the unforgivable wet and cold Oregon winter

ARIEL BURKHART
COPY EDITOR

The upcoming months are going to be cold and rainy, so it will be nice to be able to bake something that helps warm the wintry days.

Culinary arts student Gyasi Welter-DuBin, submitted this recipe for the Torch.



PHOTO BY ARIEL BURKHART

PUMPKIN MUFFINS

4 eggs
2 cup sugar
1 1/2 cup oil
1 1/2 cup pumpkin
3 cups flour
1 Tbsp. cinnamon
1 1/2 tsp. pumpkin pie spice
1 tsp. baking powder
2 tsp. baking soda
1 tsp. salt
1 1/2 cup raisins
1 cup chopped walnuts

1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Line muffin tins.
2. Beat eggs until foamy.
3. Add sugar, oil and pumpkin. Beat well.
4. In medium bowl, sift flour, cinnamon, pumpkin pie spice, baking powder, baking soda and salt.
5. Add to batter, mixing thoroughly.
6. Fold in raisins and chopped walnuts.
7. Fill lined muffin tins using a #16 ice cream scoop (about 4 Tbsp.).
8. ****Carefully sprinkle 1 tsp. brown sugar on top of each unbaked muffin being careful not to let brown sugar touch paper liner or muffin tin.****
9. Bake at 350°F for 23-25 minutes.

YIELD: 2 dozen

Student earns kudos for his work as drummer, editor and webmaster

Nao Hirota credits college for success

LARRY COONROD
REPORTER

Drumming brought LCC multi media student Nao Hirota to Eugene from his home in Tokyo, Japan.

Impressed by his drumming skills, Lounge Derby, a U.S. based band asked Hirota to move to the United States after meeting him in Japan three years ago.

Hirota receives high praise from faculty and staff who have worked with him. English as a second language instructor, Tracy Henninger, admires Hirota's optimism. "He has ability to think in ways that other people don't always do. He tries out things without being discouraged by failure, doesn't think about failure. He just goes for it," she said.

Learning English was the hardest obstacle in adjusting to life in the U.S. Hirota said. He credits the ESL department at LCC and

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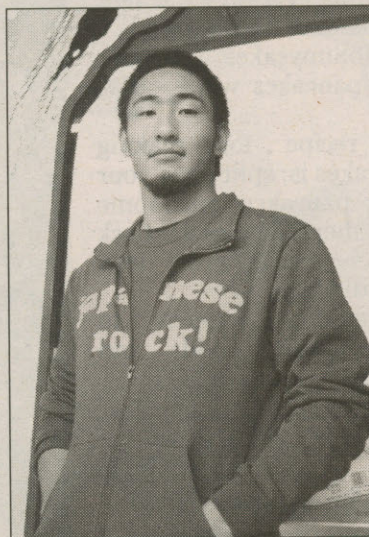


PHOTO BY NAOMI REICHMAN

Learning the ropes of a new way of life allow Nao Hirota to thrive.

his band with helping him master English in such a short period of time. "Every band member corrected my pronunciation and spelling," he said.

Hirota is editor in chief of the

"Eugene Walker" a quarterly lifestyle magazine for Japanese students in the Eugene area. "Most Japanese students think Eugene is a boring town, I didn't think so because my band members took me to a lot of places," he said.

Hirota and a few friends at the University of Oregon School of Journalism founded the magazine to show other Japanese students how to live in Eugene.

An accomplished website site designer, Hirota helps maintain websites for the magazine and the ESL department at LCC. He also does design work for Japanese businesses.

Alter Ego, Hirota's current band remains his priority. Alter Ego regularly tours the West Coast and Japan playing what Hirota describes as "pop punk."

Hirota and his band mates will perform at Eugene's WOW Hall on Nov 18. Alter Ego can be found on the web at www.alteregomusic.com.

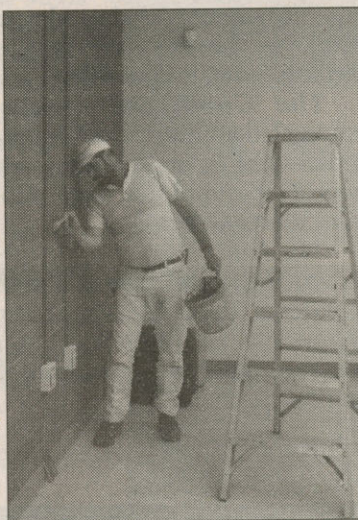


PHOTO BY NAOMI REICHMAN

Terry Star paints the trim in the new student Health Center. "We're just putting on the finishing touches now," he said.

"During this time of year in Lane County it's difficult to find labor," he said. "We didn't have the manpower we needed."

With large construction projects occurring in different parts of Eugene, including the building of the new courthouse on Ferry St., the additions to the Duck's Village apartment complex and work on roads downtown, it was not easy for Ruiz to enlist labor.

"Things [like that] suck up the labor, so you can't get the electrician when you need him, for example," he said. "Almost all of the work was done by people here at Lane."

Vandervort believes that the changes the new health center will bring to LCC's current clinical practices will be worth it.

"It should improve our productivity," Vandervort said.

In the new facility, ten patient rooms will be available instead of five.

"Each provider has two rooms," Vandervort said. "A patient can be tended to in one room while a new patient can be prepped in the other."

The waiting room has also been modified for the new facility. There will now be a miniature barrier to

block the desk from the waiting room. Patients will be able to explain their symptoms a little more privately. The new waiting room will also be roughly twice the size of the old one waiting room.

Whereas the old facility only offered two cot rooms for patients to lie down, the new health center will feature two cot rooms and two triage rooms.

Triage rooms are rooms where patients can be processed. Cot rooms are used for patients who just need to lie down a little, triage is where a patient can go when aspirin alone won't cure symptoms.

The staff of the new clinic wants to stress the point of health education to students and staff at LCC.

"We strongly feel education is a huge part of what we do," Vandervort said. "You go to a private practice and you wait in a room for five minutes. Then you leave with a prescription in your hands. You come to our facility and you'll learn about how to prevent whatever is wrong from happening again."

BLUE LUNA from page 5

a fan of crosswalks or watching people make copies (Kinko's is right across the street).

Much more endearing is the view inside The Blue Luna Club. Dim lights, warm colors, and white linens draping the windows seem to be the order of the day. The club's got a laidback, classy vibe to it, and the dim lighting only adds to the ambiance.

DRINKS:

The Blue Luna Club runs a great special every day until midnight: bottles of Red Stripe for \$2, with Cuba Libres or Rum & Cokes being a mere \$1.50.

There's also a decent selection of wines, beers, and other mixed drinks.

ENTREES:

In a reversal of what nature intended, I ate alligator. The alligator tenderloin (\$14.95) came breaded, along with fresh fruit and the usual rice and beans.

Some of the other tasty entrees available were Jamican Jumping Fish (\$12.95) and Curried Goat (\$14.95).

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Women's soccer team pushing hard to make regional tourney

Hope is still held out for a shot at the playoffs

ZACKARY PACHOLL
REPORTER

The desire to make regional soccer playoffs is building in the mind minds of the women's soccer team. Daily practices are evidence that teammates are pushing one another to go the extra distance. That is what it will take for a chance of getting playoff status.

At Tuesday's practice, conditioning was a big part of the day. The team ran for 30-plus minutes while dribbling the ball around the field and stopping for crunches and pushups.

McKenzie Schreiner was a big motivating factor. Schreiner ran an extra lap to encourage her teammates to keep pushing. She became a vocal leader, urging them along until her last teammate crossed the finish line.

Visiting Clark College last week, Lane

had another big game on their hands. The Titans came away with a 2-2 tie. They were disappointed. They felt they should have done better.

"We feel like we should have won the game," defender Callie Cram said.

The field conditions at the game were precarious. The field was very wet, slippery and muddy. "Everyone was slipping all over the field and we couldn't get off good shots on goal," Cram said.

The two upcoming games are both away games against Columbia Basin and Treasure Valley. Earlier in the season, Lane beat Columbia Basin 2-1 and Treasure Valley 1-0.

Coach Shane Dasher expressed that the goal for the Titans in their upcoming games is to come out the first ten minutes of the game and show the opposition that no one will stand in the way of their dreams. Lane plans to do this by attacking, running hard to the ball and staying aggressive.

It is an eight-hour trip to Pasco, Wash. where the team will face Columbia Basin



PHOTO BY ZACKARY PACHOLL

Women's soccer works on passing drills at practice on Tuesday.

on Friday.

"We must win two games and Lower Columbia needs to lose both (for Lane to get into the playoffs)," coach Shane Dasher said.

The entire team is still set on making the playoffs.

"We want to do it as a team and talk about playoffs daily," Schreiner said.

Hayes pulls her weight for soccer team

ZACKARY PACHOLL
REPORTER

This Titan truly has a winning tradition that hopefully can rub off on the rest of her team.

Brittany Hayes grew up in Sacramento, Calif. playing with soccer teams at age five. In high school, she was a multi-sport athlete playing volleyball, softball and soccer.

Her Amateur Softball Association fast pitch team, the California Breeze, went to nationals in Tennessee and placed twelfth in the nation. In soccer she was a team member where the team always played for a league title.

Hayes transferred to Sheldon High School in Eugene between her sophomore and junior year.

"At Sheldon, we won state titles both years I was there," Hayes said.

In her junior year, Hayes tore her medial collateral ligament, which put her out most of the season. She made it back towards the end of the playoffs and scored two goals in a game that vaulted Sheldon into the next round of the playoffs and eventually onto win the state championship.

In her senior year, Hayes helped the Irish back to the state championship game to earn another ring.

Hayes lettered all four years in soccer. She was also named offensive most valuable player by her teammates. Hayes was the to go to player on corner kicks.



PHOTO BY ZACKARY PACHOLL

Brittany Hayes dribbling ball down the sideline.

Hayes is listed as a midfielder on the roster but plays defender most of the time. "I never had played defender before getting here," Hayes said. "(Shane) Dasher asked me to play it and I said yes."

"They know they can count on me. I am back there to clean up any messes if the ball gets though," Hayes said.

Regardless of playing defender she still gets some opportunities to score. Hayes still has five goals on the season along with two assists.

Outside of the sports world, Hayes is a typical teenager. "I love to go to the beach, go camping and listen to '80s music," Hayes said.

Hayes had some offers from a few Division 1 schools, including one from Stony Brook. One included a soccer scholarship. She turned the offer down to stay close to home, play soccer and get an education at Lane.

Hayes is currently working on her two-year degree so she can go into dental hygiene. Hayes has a love for soccer but said, "Soccer doesn't pay the bills."

During the season, University of Oregon and Oregon State University have contacted coach Shane Dasher to try and lure Hayes from Lane. She told them that she's "just not interested."

Hayes said one day she would really enjoy coaching soccer. "Sometimes I even help Shane coach during the games," Hayes said.

BODY from page 1

After examination and bone measurements, however, an anthropologist now believes that the deceased woman was near her 40s, and likely older. She was probably about 5'7" with dark hair and a European shoe size of 39, which is comparable to an American woman's size seven or eight.

She was dressed in a maroon Pacific Trail brand extra-large parka, a black sweater with hand-embroidered beadwork, a lavender shirt with beadwork and medium-sized black-laced ECCO shoes.

The woman's shoes may prove to be an important piece of information, as they were obviously not shoes intended for hiking.

"We really want to identify this person. It's not about a body; it's about a person," Ratti said.

Ratti urges anyone with information about a missing person who fits this description to contact the sheriff's department immediately.

The body was found past the dead end of Scharen Rd., only one mile as the crow flies, but five miles driving distance from campus.

Although LCC has no reported incidents in the trails, head of Public Safety Sandra Ing-Weise urges hikers to exercise prudence.

"You're just as safe there [the trails] as any place, but it is not a good idea to go anywhere alone," Ing-Weise said, "It's always prudent when going into the woods, to go with a buddy."

It is also important to remain on the trails, as there are many logging roads and even houses beyond the trails.

Classifieds

Events

Body and brain yoga classes here at LCC! Fridays at 11 a.m.. Building 5, Room 206. \$10 for the term. Drop-ins welcome!

Other

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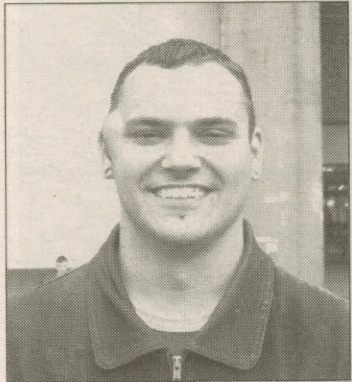
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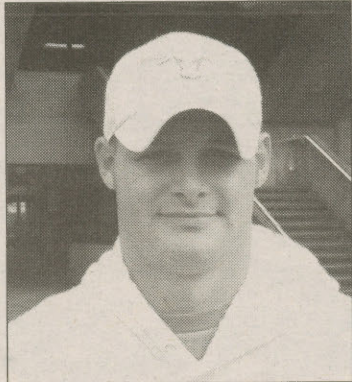
What could be the worst possible natural disaster to hit Eugene?



Matt Garbe

BIOCHEMISTRY

"Earthquake — because we live on the biggest tectonic plate in the world. The eastern third of Montana would become beachfront property."



Brent Stechelin

ELECTRICIAN

"Overpopulation. It puts everyone on the incline of unemployment."



Cyndi Stevens

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

"Any kind of nuclear fallout. You'd have to be in a bomb shelter. You'd need iodine tablets. I don't think we'd be prepared."

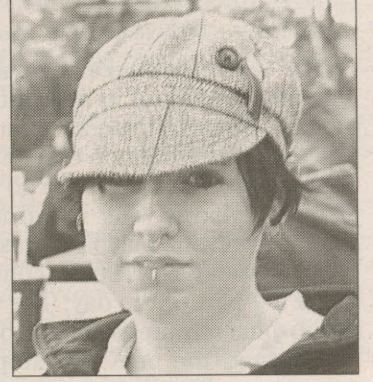


Megan Campbell

HS SENIOR

(HOMESCHOOLED)

"Natural disasters don't bother me. I'm a religious person so death doesn't really scare me."

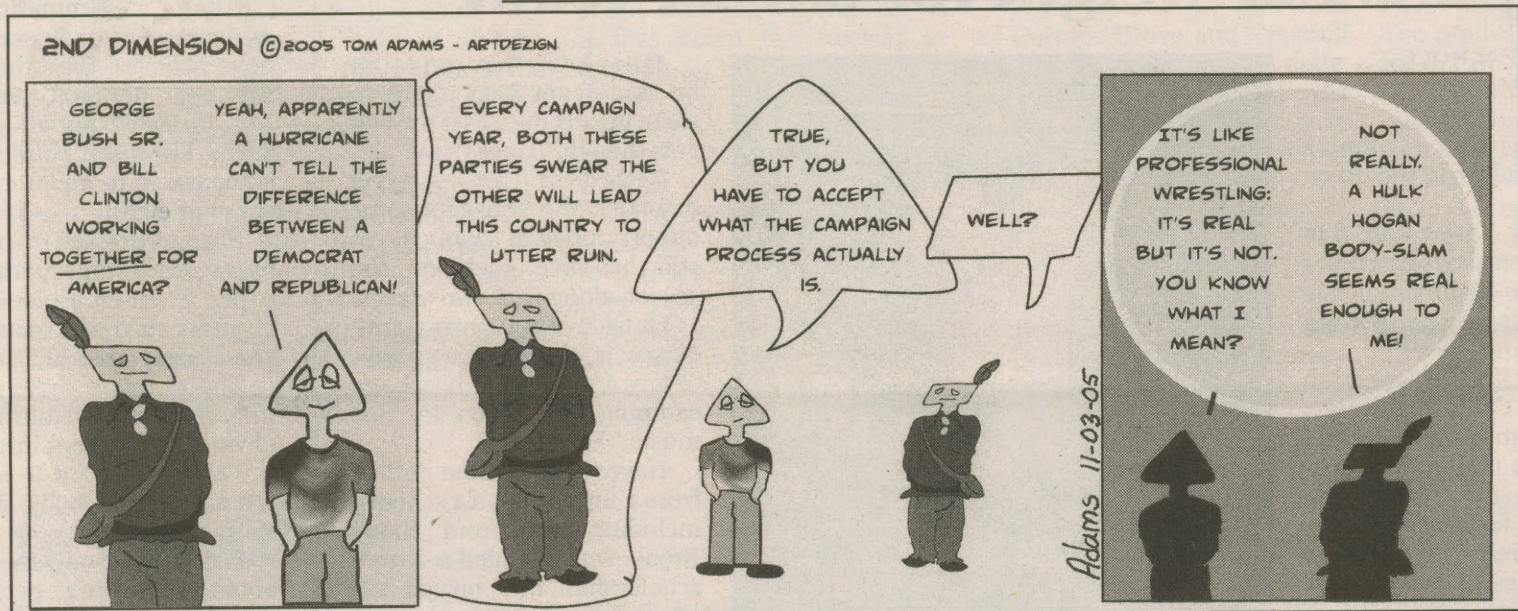


Ariella Dusaint

POLITICAL SCIENCE/
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"Probably a tsunami with massive flooding just covering Eugene. It could happen."

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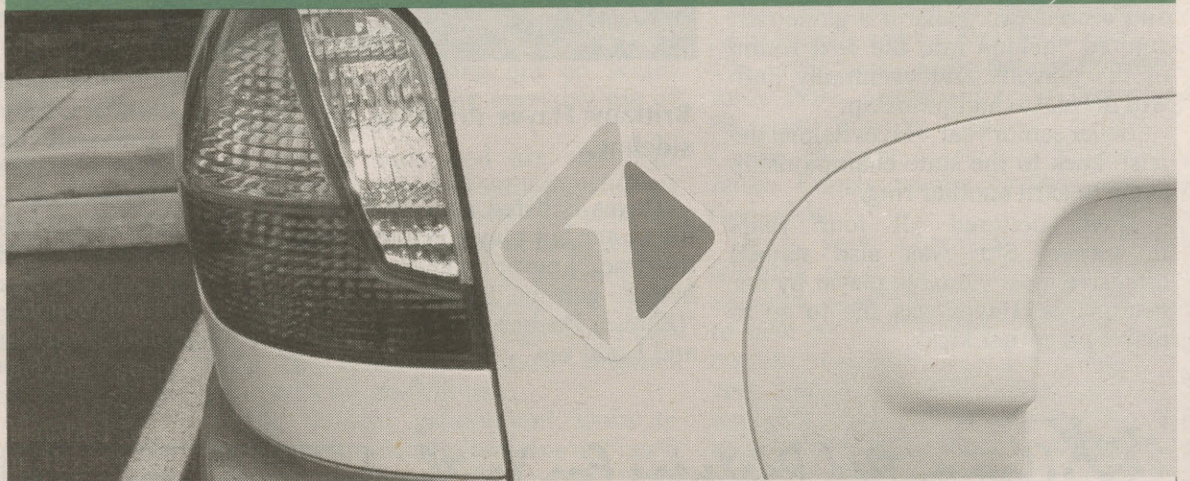
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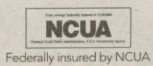
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