



Neighbors helping their neighbors

LCC organizations contribute to annual Thanksgiving feast

EDER CAMPUZANO
MANAGING EDITOR

For 17 years the Whiteaker Community Head Start Center has been the site of a Thanksgiving dinner aimed at feeding the less fortunate. Little has changed as this year a plethora of LCC's organizations have already contributed to the dinner. It begins at 11 a.m. on Nov. 24.

The feast is organized entirely by volunteers. ASLCC, the Oregon Students Public Interest Research Group and the LCC Culinary and Food Service departments are among the contributors for the event, organized in part by Cooperative Education coordinator Beverly Farfan.

"I've been doing this for ten years," said Farfan. "There are many people who really want to do things (to help)."

There will be a literal ton of turkey served at the dinner; 2,000 lbs. of poultry are sitting in a refrigerated van in Farfan's driveway.

Both ASLCC and OSPIRG plan to help out with the event in different ways.

ASLCC will set up for the

event the day before it occurs.

"The senate wanted to do something for the event," said ASLCC president Jeremy Riel. "It's really quite important to them to (reach out) to the community. They felt that the best way that we can get all of our group together at one time is to help prep the food."

OSPIRG has been helping out with the dinner since 2002. This year they are peeling potatoes on Sunday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at LCC.

Each group has a different motive for participating in the charity event.

"One of the main (visions) for ASLCC is community service and community outreach," said Riel. "This is a great opportunity to realize that vision."

"If each of us donated a week of our time, so much would be done," said OSPIRG Hunger and Homelessness campaign

coordinator Matt Yook. "The world would be such a better place."

Last year 2,500 people were fed at the Whiteaker dinner. This year, Farfan expects the same number to be fed, and has 600 people helping her with the event. Not only will food be provided for the homeless during the event; toiletries, clothing,



sleeping bags, blankets and canned goods also been donated and are still being accepted in both the OSPIRG and ASLCC offices on campus. Sue Thompson in the Cooperative Education offices also accepts blankets and sleeping bags.

Volunteers for the event are still being accepted and registrationsheetscanbefound with any of the aforementioned organizations.

"We're not into feeding people and their stomachs," said Farfan. "We're feeding their spirits."

Students unite against Budget Reconciliation bill

Campaigning continues against the proposed \$14.3 billion cut to student loan programs

SKYE HARVEY
NEWS EDITOR

Oregon legislators delayed voting on the proposed Budget Reconciliation which would leave the financial aid program short \$14.3 billion.

With an extra week to campaign against the bill that would cut a total of \$70 billion from a number of federal programs, student groups and other progressive organizations are making their voices heard.

Valerie Goodness, a volunteer for the grassroots campaign MoveOn, kicked off a forum in which students and other citizens affected by the potential cuts spoke out against the proposal.

Goodness feels very strongly about the cuts, as she is both a student and the single mother of a disabled child dependent on Medicaid.

After retiring as a firefighter/paramedic, she went back to school in search of training for a career that would allow her time and energy to take care of

her son.

"And now they're trying to cut my school funding," Goodness said.

But she is only one of hundreds of thousands of people at risk due to the proposed cuts. In Oregon alone, 637,000 people are on Medicaid and 420,000 people dependant on foot stamps to survive. As for higher education, 100,000 students in Oregon could not afford college without student loans.

Loans are crucial to so many students because of decreasing availability and strict requirements for grants.

Hundreds of thousands of students fall between the cracks in the sense that they make too much money to qualify for grants, yet fall drastically short of being able to pay for college out of their pockets.

"I am completely reliant on student loans because I worked full time before college," college student and forum speaker Joy Gibson said.

In addition to the efforts of Goodness and the rest of MoveOn, the United States Student Association is urging students to contact their elected officials with the Stop the Raid on Student Aid campaign.

The USSA is distributing

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Old school building sold

LCC Board approves the sale of the original building used for classes in Cottage Grove

PEGGY GREEN
TORCH REPORTER

The LCC Board of Education approved the sale of the college's old Cottage Grove building to the Old Time Gospel Fellowship for \$165,000, by a 7-0 vote at its Oct. 12 meeting.

There were no objections from the audience to the sale of the property. Papers were signed Wednesday night, Nov. 9.

The building, which is located at 103 Fifth Street, had been up for sale since February. There had been a sale of it last summer but the buyer, or buyers, withdrew their offer.

The old Cottage Grove building had been constructed in 1937 as a car dealership and was purchased by LCC shortly after it had been remodeled in 1969.

All LCC classes in Cottage Grove were held there until Fall term 1997 when they were moved into the present building at 1275 South River Road. After that, the old building was used for a few classes until Spring term, 1997.

Proceeds from the sale of the building were allocated to the Capital Projects Fund.



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The former LCC Cottage Grove building, vacant since a new campus opened in 1997, was recently sold for \$165,000.

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Investigating the body

New learning
community focuses
on liberal arts

KAYLEE CAMPBELL
TORCH REPORTER

Transforming lives through learning is the objective of LCC's newest learning community. Investigate The Body is a three class learning community that incorporates drawing, dance and writing classes.

"It is meant to be an alternative to academic learning, using the body's own intelligence to access memory, identity, wounds and healing," learning community instructor J.S. Bird said.

Bird will teach Intermediate Drawing (Art 231) as part of the learning community.

What makes this community

special is that it allows individuals to identify with who they are on the inside and then apply what has been learned to the outside.

"It can be difficult to slow down... even when trying to relax, mental clutter can make it difficult. The class structure can encourage presentness," student Emily Joyce said. Joyce has been taking Dancing the Fluid Body, based on Continuum Movement, offered by instructor Bonnie Simoa for nearly a year (Dance 172).

"The learning community is turning the lens towards the body," Simoa said.

The course that she teaches focuses on breathing techniques, use of sound, micro movements and wave motion.

"Creative energy is often

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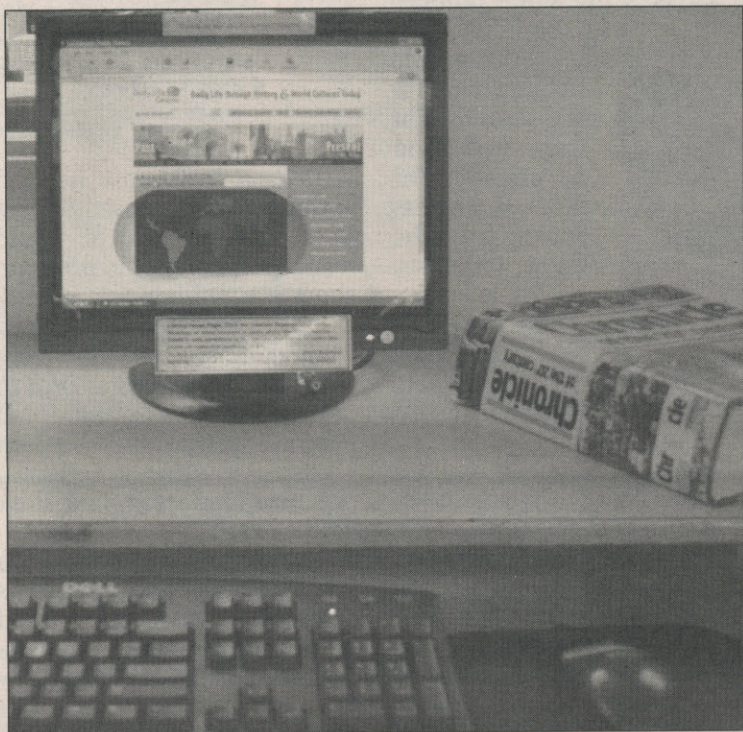


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Tired of lugging huge history books around. Now you can check out all the history you want in the library online Daily Life Online website.

Worlds of
information at
your fingertips

LCC databases receive extensive updating

ALEX JENSEN
REPORTER

Few things could prove as useful to LCC's students as the newly updated databases.

Enrollment in Lane has its benefits. Free bus passes, a good education and the use of an amazing array of databases.

The most well known databases can be found on the web. Take Google for example, or Yahoo. Extensive "search engines" are just collections of data that can be accessed from one "base" area.

LCC's own library website has more than 50 individual databases ranging from an Auto Repair Reference Center to the New York Times online. There's possibly everything a student could need.

As tuition rises every year there are always contributing factors. LCC subscribes to these newspapers and magazines to help students to access information easier.

"They are awesome, just awesome. The programs searches are real precise and allow you to find the information you are looking for," Jen Ferro, a library staff member said.

Precise is an understatement. Some of these engines can deliver books within three days. Part of the database is called the Summit, an extensive collection of 33 Pacific Northwest universities collective library and databases. Not finding the right book in the library might be hard, but the site will access The Summit.

The Summit will search through UO's library, WOU, OSU and 28 other databases. If the file is found at one of these schools it can be photocopied or sent to LCC and will arrive in three days.

News Flash

Indoor environmental quality website

LCC recently introduced a new web page devoted to indoor environmental quality. It is www.lanecc.edu/ieq. The website provides access and the college's procedures on reporting indoor environmental quality concerns.

Employee giving campaign nears end

The employee giving campaign ends Friday, Nov. 18. Six prizes for the week six drawing! Enter by turning in the pledge card with or without a contribution.

Powwow cart drivers still needed

A few more drivers are needed for the LCC pow-wow. Volunteers will drive golf carts to help elders in from the parking lot and to support vendors. If you'd like to help out for a two-hour shift on Saturday, Dec. 3, contact Jeff Harrison, ext. 5145 or harrisonj@lanecc.edu

Health Clinic open house

Interested students and staff can visit the new Health Clinic facility in Building 18, Room 101 during the open house on Thursday, Nov. 17 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Refreshments will be provided.

Women's Center video

The Women's Center Friday Video Series continues on Friday, Nov. 18 at noon in the Women's Center, Building 1, Room 202. This week's featured film is "Fed Up!" The film explores genetic engineering, industrial agriculture, and sustainable alternatives.

Enjoy an international potluck dinner

International students and staff from both the International ESL and the International Student Community Program are hosting the annual Harvest Potluck Dinner on Friday, Nov. 18. The potluck is held in the northeast section of cafeteria from 5:30- 8:30 p.m. Dinner begins at 5:45 p.m. The entertainment will consist of story telling by several international students. The event is free but in order for all to be able to eat, attendees should bring their favorite foods to share with six to eight guests. RSVP to Colby Sheldon, ext. 5165, or Beth Schenderlein, IESL program Coordinator, ext. 3409.

Be a quitter

Everyone is encouraged to participate in the American Cancer Society's Great American Smokeout on Thursday, Nov. 17. LIFE, along with the FEC and the Health Clinic, will offer seminars, quit kits, 24-hour contracts and pulmonary function tests all free of charge. Seminars will address how to quit and why, physiological changes associated with using tobacco products and quitting and how to support others giving up tobacco.

New Staff Directory Now Available

Print copies of the fall 2005 staff directories are available from Printing/Graphics for a cost of \$3 each. For more information contact Tom Johnson at ext. 5373.

Fundraiser for baseball and soccer

Over the years general funding has decreased which has forced LCC to cut sports. In order to help raise money for these privately funded sports, LCC has turned to fundraisers. Men's baseball and women's soccer teams are putting on an orange and grapefruit sale. The fruit comes in 20-pound boxes for a cost of \$20 each. The last day to participate in the fundraiser is Nov. 28. For more information or to place orders, please contact Sean MonDragon at ext. 5548

Term's end Shakespeare recital

The Shakespeare recital will be held Wed., Nov. 30 at 7:30 p.m. in the Blue Door Theater. Students from the Theatre and English Departments using the spectacular Globe Theatre replica built last year will perform a veritable banquet of scenes. Students from Acting Shakespeare class will sing songs; live musicians include Linda Danielson, retired LCC English teacher. The public is invited free, but only age 10 and older will be admitted.

Rites of Passage

Reading Together, in conjunction with the 2005-06 theme, Circling Home: Stories and Sustainable Communities, presents "Rites of Passage" the Movie Version Tuesday, Nov 22, 12-2 p.m. in Building 19, Room 104.

All are invited to view the newest films produced by the Pan-Asian and the African-American students. Then join in a discussion with Jason Mak, and Jordan and Michael Klindt, the filmmakers who supported the students in making these films. For additional information contact: Ellen Cantor, 463-3660, cantore@lanecc.edu and visit our website at: www.lanecc.edu/Readingtogether.

Food court gets a thumbs up

It seems like when writers for The Torch run out of time, or get in a pinch they write something bad about the cafeteria. Well, I am in a pinch and don't have much time, but I won't write something bad about the cafeteria. My experiences have almost always been good. However, I keep getting approached by students who want me to write about the food, prices and service. They complain to me about it like I have some magical power, like what I write will make the Chinese food selection change for once.

The only thing I would change about the cafeteria is that I wish they would go back to the serve yourself method. Two years ago you could go in and buy your food by the size of plate you chose. Sandwiches and salads were bought by the pound. You could pick and choose the foods you wanted. Let's say that you wanted fried rice with your sliced ham and steamed veggies. No problem! Now you have to just take what they give you whether you like the selection or not.

That is the worst thing I can say about the cafeteria, but it has nothing to do with the food, or the service. The school said it has to do with the cost of food, and that to many students were taking advantage of the "Buy a Plate" system. I have seen kids that must be in the engineering and architecture program by the way they had the food stacked and carefully balanced on a \$5 plate. That was a rare occasion, much more often I saw girls in hipster pants walk out with a small portion of eggs and an English muffin on the same \$5 plate.

Our own A&E editor complained about the quality of the food. However, after reading his article carefully, I find that

he says that he was there late on a Friday afternoon. Late on Friday afternoons there are few workers and even less food. The cafeteria is trying to close down for the weekend and the chances of getting a quality meal are pretty slim. Maybe that's why the food was also half price, or buy-one-get-one-free.

When it comes to the prices I don't think that two slices of pizza and a 22 oz. soda are worth \$5, but I do find great value in some of the other choices. While

Commentary



Chris Flaherty
Columnist

I prefer not to eat the Chinese food all the time, when I do go for the \$4 rice bowl special, they tend to pack that little box with as much as they can. That price tag includes a drink too. I also like the \$5 taco salad. You can pile your own toppings on after the cafeteria worker puts the beans and meat in the bowl. The soup can be odd sometimes, but a large cup and a roll is only \$2.50.

My all-time favorite selection has been absent the past two terms. The Carvers Plate was by far the closest thing to a real meal available. Real meat, real mashed potatoes, real veggies, it didn't get any better. I also miss the pasta selections that the pizza place used to have, and there doesn't seem to be any hope there. Just when I had given up hope on that Carvers Plate ever coming back, today I am rewarded with a big slice of heaven.

Two BBQ pork chops, a heap of real mashed potatoes with gravy, baked beans, steamed veggies and a drink! This has got to be the best meal in town for \$4.95.

People complain about the service, but I have never had a bad experience with that. When the ice machine runs out of ice, students start to pile up and complain. All you have to do is ask for ice, and the workers drop everything and get more ice for you. If you have questions about the food, they offer you a sample every time. They offer substitutions for things if you don't like them. I just don't see why people feel the service is bad, it just isn't.

The bad thing for students like me who eat lunch only on certain days at school is that the days where I have a long break between classes I get stuck with taco Tuesdays, and taco salad Thursdays. That seems to be the only recurring weekly menu item; most everything else is a rotating plethora of food selections.

All I can say is keep up the good work; I'll keep coming back. The few gripes I have personally can easily be fixed, and for once they don't involve any conspiracy theories. I don't like to be known as the guy who brings up shady scandals every week, it's just my nature to refuse to take things at face value. I want you to look at things twice before shelling out your hard earned buck. I will always listen to your complaints about things, but like all of you, I too have my own opinion about those things. While I can't always agree with everyone who gripes at me, I want to thank my readers for the opportunity to write for their causes. Keep the suggestions flowing!

Mackworld



John Mackwood
Columnist

Take care of yourself this winter

The Torch paper always changes. New people come in and some people have been here for years.

You have to be on time to class. Always stay busy and earn money to pay for your classes every term. Learn to pay for your own classes; no one else can do it.

New York style bagels are fresh baker quality. They are very good to eat with a hot cup of tea and cookies.

Don't worry if independent study takes all day long. Stay up all night and talk softly. I take my sweet time reading to work on my learning skills. I read lots of books when I wash my dirty laundry every Saturday morning.

Dental care for your life style, Oregon Art Work Dental, takes care of your new smile. They are always accepting new patients at Art Work Dental.

Through the heavy fog I see sweet peas made with sugar and spice. I can sell them to you so I can pay for my classes every term.

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.

LTD still taking heat for overcrowding; riders want answers

OK, so now I feel like I'm stuck in a serial like poor Freddie Krueger except mine is called "Bus". No. I think by now I'm up to BUS 4. Just when you think it can't get any weirder, life throws you a curve. I guess someone at LTD is reading The Torch because they actually asked to attend a Torch Staff meeting and address the disgruntled writer: me. I agreed to come to the meeting on Monday at 2:45, after my class at Duck U, so the Torch editor requested the LTD rep to arrive at 2:30. Finally, someone to answer my questions.

Monday morning I get on the 98 bus and am immediately handed a survey card.

WOW!, I thought. Is this because we bitched so much? I couldn't just sit there. I had to find out more. I sat in front of the gentleman handing

out the cards and introduced myself. I found out that he doesn't work for LTD.

He works for a company that takes surveys and compiles the statistics for clients, like LTD. The unfortunate guy is a pencil pusher and couldn't get anyone on his staff to take this assignment so he had to ride the bus all day. He had sympathy for our cause but requested that we not shoot the messenger.

He did tell me that LTD does these surveys about every six months. I was amazed. I have been riding the bus five days a week for three years now and this is the first survey I've been handed. How did I manage to miss it? I have never been called for jury duty either. Go figure.

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Commentary



Laura Ralston
Columnist



PHOTO BY JARED MILLS

The 98 bus at 3:50 p.m. was filled to capacity as it headed to Cottage Grove taking LCC students home.

Letters to the Editor

Slavery nowhere near as prominent in USA as Third World countries

In last week's commentary by Mr. Chris Flaherty, he presented us with a smorgasbord of complaints about everything from employers to Wal-Mart to LTD to Students First!

A little *whine* with your meal, sir?

Also, he misses the essential difference between slavery and paid employment: a slave is not free to leave his employment.

In a free society such as ours, everyone is able to improve him or herself and seek new employment without any debt to any employer. You are not obligated (except by freely assumed contract) to stay in any job. You are free to improve your circumstances, all the way

to the limits of your ability and perseverance.

In traveling the world as part of my job, I've seen MANY places where there is not nearly the amount of opportunity or freedom as we enjoy here in the USA, or in the Western world in general.

Mr. Flaherty, I strongly suggest you travel more, particularly to the Third World; then try to pick a better country.

Timothy Palange
LCC Student

If you don't like it, write about it

It has been brought to the attention of the ASLCC that students are offended by Chris Flaherty's commentary in last week's issue.

The Torch is an independent entity of LCC and may print the

material they find suitable, even if others may find the materials offensive.

Mr. Flaherty is exercising his First Amendment right, and the editors at The Torch chose to print his material. If you find his comments offensive you may speak out, just as he does. ASLCC recognizes that students are upset and we understand their concerns.

We encourage you to voice your opinions with letters to the editor or by contacting the staff at The Torch.

Michelle Wasner
ASLCC

Flaherty misinterprets slavery

Mark Twain once wrote that the difference between the right word and the wrong word was like the difference between lightning and a lightning

bug. The difference between an opinion piece designed to clear the air, and one designed to inflame, is the difference between oxygen and napalm.

While we might use the general term "slavery" to describe different levels of oppression experienced by LCC students and employees while on the "academic plantation," academic slavery and wage slavery (oppressive workplace) are both voluntary.

I mean voluntary in the sense that no one would choose to enter a hostile learning or working environment, unless that environment was necessary to achieve another larger goal.

You expect and accept a certain level of abuse and oppression going into the military for example, but you can reasonably expect protection from rape.

Whether or not you actually

get protection is another story.

Chattel slavery is when a person is considered property and not even human, and can be worked for little or no wages or simply room and board. Today that state can only legally be applied to prisoners.

Illegally, chattel slavery has returned to the United States, and once again is largely confined to people of color. Such people are forced to work against their will, for little or no wages and are subject to rape and abuse with no recourse unless their "employer-owners" get caught.

However oppressed or abused one might feel after an encounter with Lane staff, one does have rights, responsibilities, and choice.

Mark Harris
Faculty Instructor
Counseling

Former Dead Head shows us that once you're down, you're not out

Michelle Romero recounts how she got to LCC after struggling with a meth addiction

LARRY COONROD
TORCH REPORTER

Whoever said there are no second chances never met Michelle Romero. Five years ago, this LCC chemistry major was serving a one-year sentence in the Lane County Jail for nine felony convictions. This spring she became the first in her family to earn a college degree: an AAOT from LCC. She is currently enrolled at LCC and the University of Oregon.

Romero spent her formative years living alternately with her father in Las Vegas and her mother in North Carolina. She left home at 14 to travel with the Grateful Dead for four years.

"Going back and forth between my parents so much I said 'screw it,' and went on tour with the Dead, sold drugs the whole time," she said. "By the time I was 18 I'd been to every state in the country traveling with the Dead."

When bandleader Jerry Garcia died in 1995, Romero happened to be in Eugene and saw no reason to leave.

An addiction to meth-amphetamines nearly destroyed her life. Romero credits her turnaround to the time she spent in jail.

"Getting into trouble and being able to spend all that time in jail, I realized I'd lost my kids," she said. "I'd lost my house. I'd lost my boyfriend. I'd lost my life."

Romero's journey to college started when she met LCC Adult Basic and Secondary Education instructor, Anne Monroe, while incarcerated. Monroe, who teaches GED classes to inmates, convinced her to get her GED.

"I figured I might as well do something with my time. I have a picture of me in a graduation gown standing by a door in the jail with a number over it," she said, laughing.

After leaving jail, Romero sought treatment at the Women's Sponsor facility in Eugene and began the arduous process of putting her life back together. She enrolled at LCC in 2001 with hopes of becoming a volcanologist.

"I went to treatment to learn the tools to stay clean," she said.



Michelle Romero

"Once I started school that was my treatment. It keeps me away from everything."

Romero decided to change her major to chemistry after taking chemistry classes from LCC instructor Harriet Behm.

"Harriet was my real inspiration; she was the one who completely made me change my mind about my major," she said. "She made me love chemistry."

Behm is impressed with Romero's drive to succeed.

"She will do whatever it takes to learn the material, hours and hours of studying," she said.

Romero realizes she is one of the lucky few who recover from a meth addiction. A drug counselor told her only one out of 11 meth addicts ever make a full recovery.

"A lot of people I went to treatment with did the same thing I did, got clean and start going to school, but started disappearing after awhile," Romero said.

Math has been her greatest challenge in college. Currently enrolled in Calculus 251, she started out in Math 10.

"For awhile there me and my 14 year-old daughter were on the same level math," she said.

She credits her children as her motivation to stay clean.

"My kids were in foster care for 18 months. I was one week away from having my parental rights taken away permanently," she said.

Homework is a family affair at the Romero house.

"My seven year-old never has homework to do, she'd be like, 'It's not fair-I want homework!' So we made up homework for her so she could be included in our little homework group," she said.

Romero has faced the challenge of balancing school and family with the necessity of working. Her crimes left her owing more than \$11,000 in fines and restitutions. For the past four years, she has worked 40 hours a week while attending

school full time.

"I worked 20 to 25 hours a week at Wendy's and 20 to 25 hours a week at the (LCC) Bookstore," she said.

This term she cut back to one Cooperative Work experience job at the UO. She contrasts working those jobs with her days as a drug dealer.

"I made a lot of money, over \$500,000 in a year and didn't have a thing to show for it. We lived in a van and used to go to the soup kitchens every night. Now I have everything: a house, a car, my license, furniture. I have my kids back," she said.

Getting her life back on track has been a series of small victories for Romero.

"I just got my car last year, and insurance, full coverage, I've never had that," she said. In addition, financially she is starting to see results. "I got my credit built back up and started getting credit cards. It's kind of crazy because all my felonies were like identify theft, computer crime and fraud," Romero said.

Learning is Romero's objective, not just getting a passing grade. "I don't focus on my GPA; I want to learn the material. Even if I get a C or B in a class, if I don't get it, I'll take that class again," she said.

Romero's schedule has her at school from 8 a.m. until 7 p.m. every day. Her children help out at home so she can attend college in order to be able to send them to college, she said.

After graduating with a B.S. degree in chemistry, Romero plans to earn a degree in forensics, possibly at Oregon State University.

Her long-term goal is to work with DNA testing to help find the perpetrators of unsolved "cold cases" and to free prisoners convicted of crimes they did not commit.

She is aware that her felony convictions may make it impossible for her to find work in police forensics.

"My past could jeopardize all that, but I'm willing to take that risk." To that end, she keeps track of her accomplishments in turning her life around and hopes to petition the governor to have her records sealed.

Reflecting on her past, Romero is keenly aware that she has overcome challenges that, in the words of Behm, "many of us only read about." Still, she does not see herself as unique or special.

"Hey if I could do this, anyone can," she said.

Be terrified of your turkey no more

Simple tips and information to help the rookie turkey cooker

Thanksgiving is by far one of the most widely celebrated holidays ever, and while it's evolved over the years a little, the main points still ring true. People cook turkeys, potatoes, beans, whatever, and get their family together to eat.

Along with most everyone celebrating Thanksgiving, most everyone has a Thanksgiving story to tell involving a fiasco with the turkey.

This year, don't let the turkey get you down; here are some simple tips and some information on how to make that Tom just right.

- Allow one pound of uncooked turkey per person from an eight to twelve pound bird.
- Buying extra turkey allows for those much-loved leftovers, but if you don't want to eat turkey until Easter, don't buy a 30-pound turkey for a four-member family.
- Don't thaw a turkey at room temperature; thaw it in the refrigerator. Leave it in the original packaging and put it in a shallow pan to catch water. Whole turkeys thaw at a rate of four to five pounds every 24 hours. Example: A 15-pound frozen turkey will take three to four full days to thaw in the refrigerator.
- Stuffing for the turkey should be prepared and stuffed into the turkey immediately before it is placed in the oven for roasting. If preparing the stuffing ahead of time, the wet and dry portions should be refrigerated separately and combined right before stuffing the turkey.
- Stuff the turkey loosely, only about $\frac{3}{4}$ cup of stuffing per pound of turkey.
- Be sure to test the internal temperature of the stuffing in addition to the temperature of the bird, the internal temperature of the stuffing should be from 160-165 F.
- Roast the turkey in a 325 F oven in a shallow roasting pan so that the oven air can flow completely around the turkey. For easy clean up add $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of water to the bottom of the pan.
- Loosely place an aluminum foil tent over the turkey breast during the first one to one and a half hours of roasting, then remove it to allow the bird to brown.
- Don't overcook the turkey; the best way to tell if it's done is with a food thermometer. The internal temperature of the turkey should be 180 F in the deepest part of the thigh (make sure the thermometer isn't touching the bone), and 170 F in the breast.
- Juices should run clear (not pink) when a long-tined fork is used to pierce the thickest part of the thigh, and the drumsticks should be soft and move easily at the joint.
- An 8 to 12 pound turkey will take 3 to 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours to cook; while a 20 to 24 pound stuffed turkey will take 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ hours to cook.

This information was gathered from www.eatturkey.com.



Chris Crosthwaite

Cranberry chutney: a classic recipe for the holiday season

Chris Crosthwaite has been teaching at LCC for a year and is currently starting his second year as a culinary instructor. Crosthwaite originally began his college career wanting to study nuclear physics. While working as a dishwasher he was trained to cook and quickly discovered his love for the culinary arts.

Cranberry Chutney

16 oz. fresh cranberries
3 fl. oz. orange juice
3 fl. oz. water
2 fl. oz. vinegar
3 fl. oz. orange liqueur (optional)
zest of 2 oranges, minced fine, plus their juice

1 tbsp. grated fresh ginger
1 tbsp. ground dried hot chilies
 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. ground mace
pinch ground cloves
3 oz. sugar
1 tbsp. molasses

Bring these ingredients to a simmer – do not boil – and simmer for 3 minutes.

Add cranberries.

Continue to simmer until cranberries "pop" and the mixture begins to thicken (do not let it get too thick).

Adjust the seasoning (salt) to taste.

Great served warm.

Holiday shopping for less

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Heather's shopping:

It is almost Christmas time again. The day after Halloween, stores around the country began the annual stock-up on Christmas items.

As college students we barely have enough to pay the bills, let alone have extra money for gifts. The closer we get to Christmas we notice how many corners we cut so that we can afford gifts for our loved ones.

We at The Torch wanted to see just how far we could stretch \$20 for holiday-related goodies.

Just for kicks, I decided to go to Target in search of stocking stuffers. I had my \$20 to work with and my expectation was that I would leave with only a few

items.

Boy was I wrong! I walked out of the store with 12 decent stocking stuffers for my family.

Target had a \$1 section that would give the Dollar Tree a run for their money.

For only \$1 each, I picked up a Slinky Jr., a tiny jewelry box, a lipstick case with mirror, a Silly Putty pack of two, a 50 card Trivia game for children, a yo-yo, a small wooden board game called Horse Race, a deck of Mickey Mouse Christmas playing cards, "Foot Fizzers" to drop in your bath tub to make your feet and your body soft, and last but not least, an I.Q. puzzle. All for only a buck each!

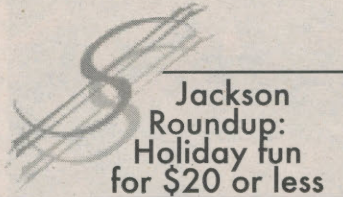
The last two items I bought were a fuzzy moose bookmark and decorative chocolates. The bookmark cost me \$2.99 and in my opinion, was well worth it.

The most costly item was the Choxie chocolates that cost me \$5. The chocolates are festive and unique, but only time will tell if they taste as good as they look.

All in all, I spent \$19.97 and I am now able to stuff the stockings of those I love.

Randy's shopping:

Normally, I shy away from places of commerce like a recovering alcoholic avoids beer gardens. I'm as much of a



slave to the consumer impulse as any of you, so for the sake of my wallet I never enter places of commerce unless I have a definite idea of what I need and then only enough to buy just that.

Still, it was time for another Jackson Roundup. Time to blow a total of \$20 accumulating as much material goods as possible, and Kwanzaa will be here before we know it.

I chose to shop in the LCC



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cafeteria and take advantage of the vendors. The first booth I hit belonged to Kimmy, a friendly woman in her mid-30s. Kimmy had plenty of jewelry, bookmarks and other things that all came in a vaguely New Age, hippie flavor.

The commercially made "hippie" look was the most prevalent theme running amongst the vending booths. The cafeteria's thick with knick-knack bohemianism and the hope that you can acquire a lifestyle through its trinkets. Looking at the vendors, you'd think our demographic never has enough incense or tie-die shirts.

I couldn't even begin to guess how to tie any of that stuff into Kwanzaa, but I still plunked down some hard-earned cash for it.

From Kimmy's booth I grabbed (and paid for) one yin-yang toe ring for \$4, a 'Speak No Evil' monkey trinket for \$4 and a Kitty bookmark for \$2.

My first stop and I'd already blown ten bucks, half my cash gone that quickly.

The next stop in my Kwanzaa shopping spree sold makeup and cheap jewelry.

At Sandy and Sandy's booth I went with something a little more practical. Sandy and Sandy sold to me a tube of Chapstick with a calendar for \$1.

Yeah, the Chapstick had an entire year's worth of months printed on its side in a font so small it made my eyes bleed.

The next booth (table, actually) belonged to Gary. He

sells his homemade jewelry and boxes of incense at outdoor events and concerts during the summer, and then offers his wares in the cafeteria once the weather turns cold. I bought jasmine incense for \$2.

Jasmine is the preferred scent for the worship of Ganesha, everyone's favorite elephant-headed god and a good chap for writers to have by their side. In this crazy world, even us Kwanzaa-celebrating atheists need all the help we can get. I snagged a small box's worth.

Across the cafeteria and around a corner, Dave was selling bumper stickers and prints. He looked to have been doing a pretty brisk business, as quite a few of the bumper stickers on the display board had been labeled, "Sold Out."

Let me just say now that having seen the ones that were sold out, I'm very, very ashamed of you all.

Hanging around his booth for three minutes cost me my faith in human progress, but Dave never stopped smiling.

I bought a print from the bargain bin. It was a pen and ink drawing of a brain playing a drum set, done by Dave himself. I hadn't a clue who would want something like that, but the spirit of Kwanzaa moved me to purchase something from the man. The print cost me \$2.

My desire to finish my Kwanzaa shopping and go home cost me \$5.

My last five bucks was spent on a homemade candle at Elizabeth Carson's table.

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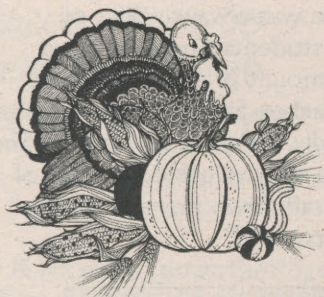
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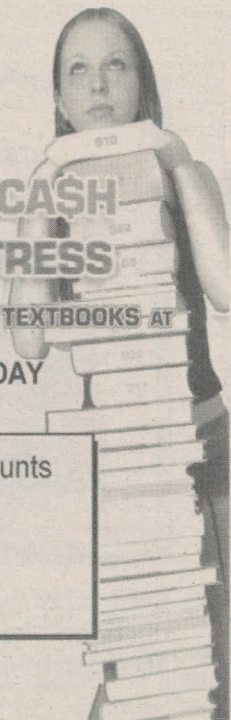
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Beloved employee retires after 19 years

Babe Gay looks forward to travel and time with her family

FRANK RAGULSKY
NEWS/EDITORIAL ADVISER

Some have said that she can leap tall buildings with a single bound. Others claim she is faster than a speeding bullet. Still some say that she is more powerful than a locomotive.

But, what they didn't know is that when she sent her official retirement letter to the chair of the arts division last Monday, Nov. 7, she was on a mission.

Willamean (Babe, as she prefers) Gay, the office manager, administrative assistant, chief spokesperson for any person at any time on any topic, chief cook and bottle washer and wonderful lady to any person who walked into her office, quit her job of more than 19 years at LCC.

She's done. She's had enough. It was time to make a move towards the next road in her life.

"My husband and I lost five friends in about two weeks. I woke up one morning and I threatened myself to quit. Life is too short. I need to get out and experience a few things before my health gives out," she said.

The news of her impending departure put the art department in a tailspin of sorts. She is the art department. Everybody who needs help from this veteran administrator says that Babe is the person who helped get it done.

Rick Williams, her boss and chairperson of the art division, knew that her retirement was imminent. However, when he got the notice he was not prepared that some mighty big shoes would need to be filled and he only had four days to make it happen.

"I just made up my mind and I filled out all the paperwork for retirement and come Friday morning I'm not going to work," she noted.

"I have no regrets for working at Lane," she said.



PHOTO BY JAMES HOLK

Rick Williams hands Babe Gay a plaque expressing the art department's gratitude for her services during a retirement surprise party on Thursday, Nov. 10.

"They don't owe me anything and I don't owe the college anything," she said.

Her husband Calvin has been retired for several years and Babe said that she was going to retire at the end of the last academic year. Calvin never thought she'd retire.

"Heck, he told me that I wasn't going to retire and I told him to watch me on the Friday before. I did the letter and I just did it," she said. He was amazed and surprised.

Babe has been the "go to" person in the art department for many years. She's kept track of students, schedules, payrolls, inventory, faculty, and parents and on and on and on. She's been the proverbial Energizer Bunny for so many

things; it's been hard to say what her department and LCC will miss from her services.

Several faculty members in the department claim that it's going to take more than one person to replace her. "I don't know about that," claimed Babe. "I will tell you that it's hard to leave with so much institutional memory. This has been among the best jobs I've had the pleasure of working."

While moving on may be difficult, Babe is planning for her future. "We want to take some trips. One will be a cruise to Alaska and the other will probably be to the Caribbean," she said.

"Calvin and I are also going to do some road excursions. Our son is making a move and

we'll follow him to Wyoming—just to make sure he gets there," she said.

Babe feels that she's ready to make a big transition in her life. "They told me that I'll be making more as a retired person than I'm making now. My Social Security and my PERS are going to be good for me. I'll have to purchase some health care, but I'll be fine," she noted. "I should have retired two years ago. It's going to be great. I'm looking forward to Monday morning when I don't have to go to work — ever again," she said with that grin that's become so prominent in her office.

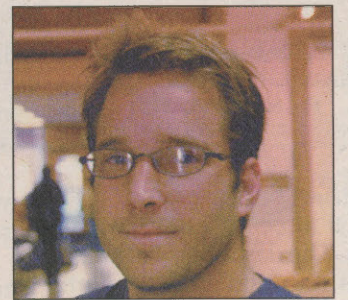
Asurprisefarewellandthank you reception was planned for Babe's last few hours of work and literally hundreds of well wishers were there to bid her off. It was like the opening night of an art show. A festive mood for a job well done was the order for the day.

The conversation at her retirement reception was, of course, about Babe and what a lady she is and what she has done over the years. "She's saved my bacon more than once," a colleague said. Another said, "I just don't know how the next person is going to come in and be this super human person."

Students, and plenty of them, were there to celebrate Babe's retirement. "I can tell you that there would have been hundreds more if they could have announced this and had more than four days to plan a party," Jessica Plotner, graphic design student and Torch production manager, said. "She's been the heart and soul of the art department. She's a wonderful lady who has really helped countless numbers of students."

A search for Babe's replacement was immediately started. In the meantime, Babe has also started a new chapter in her life. LCC is a better place for having this veteran come and go in a mere 19 years. She will be missed as a friend and colleague.

Her "looking forward to Monday" may have been in her best interests. But, for LCC it left a big void in the history of the campus.



Lee Imonen

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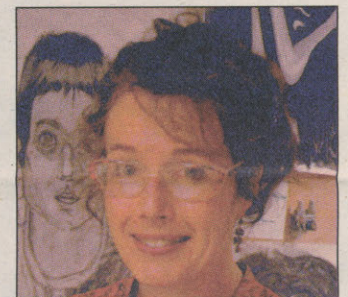
"Babe rocks. She's like our mom away from home. She took care of everyone."



Kit Kerkvliet

FINE ARTS TRANSFER

"She was definitely shelter from the storm. She would go above and beyond for any student. She'd been here so long she was above it all."



Ellen Tykeson

ART INSTRUCTOR

"She was the heart and soul of our department."



Jessica Plotner

GRAPHIC DESIGN

"Babe was always willing to help students. She minimized my amount of paperwork and headaches. She was always really friendly, always ready to help. She was a very valuable member of the staff down there in the art department."



Sophia Sawras

GRAPHIC DESIGN

"Babe is awesome. She helps art students and makes it so much easier to go through college not having to worry about the paperwork. Her warm attitude brings a pleasant atmosphere at school. Babe is the best and I will miss her."



PHOTOS BY JAMES HOLK

Babe Gay was caught off guard by fellow faculty, staff, and friends as she returned from her lunch break with a going away party.



Babe Gay was presented with a plaque that declared her the "heart and soul of the art department."

A first and second place finish for Lane

Titan men and women excel in Washington cross-country championship

ROBERT JONES
SPORTS EDITOR

What do you do when your sport is seemingly under the media radar? Through the Titans' championship cross-country season, only blurbs in the papers have been mentioned. That didn't stop the men's and women's teams from competing

to the highest of their ability.

The Titans were major underdogs starting the season; the women had not won a title in 17 years and the men had not won for 20 years. So who would have thought this year would be different?

Second-year head coach Ross Krempsey had a vision no one else could see; he had a championship caliber team.

On Nov. 12, the men and women took their records to Battle Ground, Wash. and the men placed second and the women first in the NWAACC Championships. "The only way we could have done better is if we won both," said Krempsey.

On the women's title team, Heather Spinney placed third with a time of 19:20. Spinney was six seconds behind coming in second place. Jessica Harper, of Clackamas, was 12 seconds from first place.

The Titans finished with an overall team score of 43, four points ahead of second place Spokane, who finished with 47 points. Katie Gilbert and Toma Starodubtseva finished sixth and seventh. Shalene Fine placed ninth and Tiffany Gibson placed 18th. Spinney, Gilbert and Starodubtseva each received All-American awards. Krempsey also received women's coach of the year honors.

"Coach Krempsey has done a tremendous job for us and has established the cross country program as one of the best in such a short time," said Grady O'Connor, Director of Men's and Women's Cross Country and Track and Field.

In the men's event, David Morgan placed first with an overall time of 25:26. Overall



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The Titans women's cross-country team brought home the first title in 17 years after winning the NWAACC championships in Battle Ground, Wash.

the men finished a distant second with 52 points. Spokane won the title with 26 points and Clackamas finished third with 89 points. Ben Poffenroth finished sixth, Matt Barnhart finished 12th, Adam Pino finished 13th and Leland Fulton rounded out the men with a 20th place finish.

All in all, the Titans cross-

country team did an important thing: "It brings home a statement, Lane is one of the top cross country teams in the Northwest," Krempsey said. Krempsey has turned around the program and says the team has "a bright future ahead."

Next season, the men and women both bring four of their top seven runners back.



PHOTO COURTESY OF ROSS KREMPSEY

The mens' cross-country team took second at the NWAACC championships in Battle Ground, Wash. on Nov. 12.



PHOTO BY ZACKARY PACHOLL

Lane women's soccer finishes up great first season with a record of 6-8-4, missing out on the playoffs by one goal.

Looking back on a season of memories

Soccer wraps up season with high hopes for next year

ZACKARY PACHOLL
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

From rafting down the Rogue River, to team breakfasts, to eight-hour bus rides, every player on the Lane women's soccer team will look back on a season full of memories.

"It was a wonderful experience," Mesha Clayton said while reflecting on the season. "It was a great success for a first-year program. I met a lot of cool people."

In mid-August, the team took a trip down the Rogue River.

"It was our first real bonding experience," defender Brittany Hayes said. "It was a trip full of water-gun fights and laughter."

During the bus rides at the beginning of the season, the team used to get on each other's nerves and would make

it difficult getting ready for games.

At the end of the season, they were focused on the trips and knew the objective that faced them.

"Looking back it was silly," forward Callie Cram said.

The Titans got off to a rough start of the season, starting 0-4. After hard work, practice and bonding they began to figure out the formula of what it took to win.

Lane finished very strong, losing only one of its last five games. The Titans came up one goal short in their last game of making it to playoffs.

"I wish we could restart the season with the team we have now. We had a completely different team at the end of the season. In the beginning we were more offensive minded whereas at the end we were more defensive," Hayes said.

The game against Columbia Basin stood out to goalie Andrea Shoop. "We gave a great defensive effort and we had great goals by Adriana (Montes)

and McKenzie (Schreiner)." In that game Lane pulled out a 2-0 victory.

In the off-season, players will continue to focus on soccer.

"During winter term we are taking a step aerobics class," Clayton said.

The team plans to take a fitness class every term to keep in shape as they prepare for next season.

Most of the team looks to be back next season. Some players have plans to leave, but said they could possibly come back.

"I pray that next year the returning players lead this team to where they belong," Coach Shane Dasher said.

Where this team belongs is in the playoffs. The Titans played in what some would call the toughest division in the conference.

If playoffs were based on the of overall record, Lane most likely would have made it in.

Leadership and experience will be the cornerstones on next year's team, something they lacked at times this year.

Lane basketball player headed to Northern Arizona University

Lisa Fernandez moves on to better her future

ZACKARY PACHOLL
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Lisa Fernandez signed a National letter of intent to play at Northern Arizona University on Wednesday, Nov. 16.

Fernandez had offers from four different schools but chose Northern Arizona because it's a Division I school.

"I have always wanted to play for a Division I basketball team ever since I was little," Fernandez said.

Another factor that helped her chose Northern Arizona was that they offered her intended major. "It offers the

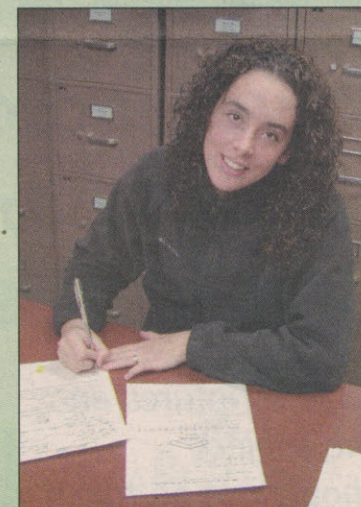


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Lisa Fernandez signing national letter of intent.

business degree that I want," Fernandez said.

Fernandez will be a junior when entering Northern Arizona academically and in basketball.

"It's nice for her. Most (players) sign in the late signing period, where she signed in the early period," coach Greg Sheley said. "It's a reflection on her abilities and a reflection on our program."

Women's head soccer coach makes a big change in his life

Shane Dasher is saying goodbye to team in December

ZACKARY PACHOLL
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Women's soccer coach says he won't return next season at Lane.

Head coach Shane Dasher is moving away to make a

change in his life that is church related.

"My wife and I are moving to serve the poor in the Philippines," Dasher said. "My wife got accepted to the Mercy Maternity Clinic." Only 12 people a year get accepted into this program. Dasher cited religious reasons for the change. "It was Jesus' call to do this now," Dasher said.

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QSA works toward awareness, tolerance

LCC group honors those killed by hate crimes

PEGGY GREEN
REPORTER

Raising awareness for the Queer/Straight Alliance on campus is not just for the queer population. Building alliances with the straight community is one of the goals the QSA actively pursues.

The president of the student group is Jessica Williams, a self-described activist in the queer community.

"Primarily, we're focused on social justice for queer issues building the queer community at Lane. (It is) a place where people can come and have dialog about queer issues and most of the projects we work on and activities that we do are about raising awareness. Our group is completely open to straight allies," Williams said.

Their mission statement says that they are "dedicated to creating alliances between the local queer population and its straight allies."

Although there have been various groups of people at LCC coming together around similar needs for several years, this version of the QSA started about 5 years ago as the Lesbian, Bisexual, Gay, Transsexual Alliance. The

group had an office in the Center Building where it remained until the 2002-03 school year, which is when it moved into its present location.

As the LBGTA, the advisor was Susan Matthews.

"It took a lot of work and (we) definitely had to do a lot of work to get the office in the Center Building. It was not an easy thing. We had to work hard to get that office," Matthews said.

As the LBGTA became the QSA, it moved from being less of a social group and more into the activist arena.

This is not to say that QSA is not the place to go when feeling marginalized by society and needing support.

It is just that, but it is also creating awareness of the need for social justice and of the existence of hate crimes in our communities.

On Monday, the group made an altar dedicated to those who have been killed because they were perceived to be transsexual, whether they were or not. They displayed a book with the names of the dead, in a few cases their picture, the location where the victims were murdered and a brief description of how.

In some cases there was torture that led up to the killing, in others, so much violence led up to the actual murder it was as though the person or persons doing the killing wanted to kill

the victim many times over.

Thursday there will be a panel discussion as part of the Transgender Day of Remembrance. It will be in the Student Life and Leadership office from noon to 1 p.m. and will be followed by the film "Toilet Training".

The panel discussion will feature Michael Samano, coordinator of ethnic studies, and Dr. Suzanne Williams, professor of sociology.

Susan Williams and Michael Samano will lead the discussion to help people understand how all these different types of oppression intersect.

"We wanted to do something that would help people think of it on a broader level than just the LCC community," Williams said.

The panel discussion will include a discussion about intersecting oppressions and how they relate to hate crimes. Intersecting oppressions refers to the fact that oppressed people are often from overlapping groups.

"Many of the people being killed are people of color, they're women, they're poor," Williams said.

The QSA has been supported by student fees. When they need money for projects, such as the Transgender Day of Remembrance, it is requested from the Council of Clubs. Future activities will include a retreat at one of LCC's cabins.



PHOTO BY NAOMI REICHMAN

The Queer Straight Alliance has built an altar to the transsexual victims of murder. Each month two people are killed and many more victimized for being transsexual.

The QSA is located in Leadership Development office Building 1, Room 206, and is where they meet on Fridays from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Reverend and rabbi discuss Bible and homosexuality

Bible scriptures on the subject should not be taken literally

LARRY COONROD
REPORTER

Leviticus and other bible verses cannot be taken literally when discussing homosexuality. That was the consensus reached by a recent interfaith panel discussion on biblical text origins at LCC.

Recent vandalism to LCC Queer/Straight Alliance posters prompted the discussion, one of a three part series titled "Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and The Bible: Where Are You?"

Reverend Greg Flint of the First Congregation of Christ and Rabbi Maurice Harris of Temple Beth Israel shared their views on how religious text should be interpreted in modern society. Flint expressed dismay over "how much controversy and pain" is caused by the debate over what the Bible says about homosexuality.

"There are no more than nine texts of the 66 books that Christians count that deal with the subject," he said. "Just as a way of comparison there are hundreds of texts that deal with economic justice. Yet here we are, our society, our communities, our families, split over nine text."

Flint and Harris pointed out that if the Bible is taken literally the consequences would be unpleasant and most likely unacceptable too most people.

"Leviticus 20 vs. 13 says: 'If a man lies with male as with a woman both of them shall be put to death'—'If we wanted to take this literally we would call for capital punishment for all same sex relationships, at least among men,'" Flint said.

Harris, who is openly gay, used a verse from Deuteronomy that calls for parents to have their rebellious and stubborn sons stoned to death, to further the point of literal interpretation not being practical.

Questions from audience members were generally supportive of religious tolerance towards homosexuals. It was suggested that in future discussions a clergy member with a more fundamental view of Bible text be invited to sit on the discussion panel.

LCC Diversity Coordinator Jim Garcia, the Lane Multicultural Center and the Religious Response Network are sponsoring the discussion series.

Upcoming discussions are "The Journey: The Bible and How It Is Read," on Nov. 16 and "The Bible and Human Rights" on Nov. 30. Discussions are open to the public and are held from 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Building 19, Room 226.

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dislodged," she said.

This can then be applied to art and writing.

"This is for students that want to know themselves better. Knowing of the self leads to finding one's identity," Bird said.

In addition to Drawing and Dancing the Fluid Body, this community also incorporates writing.

"We want writing to be recognized as an art form," Margaret Bayliss said.

She teaches Writing 121, 122, and 123.

Instructors of these classes are taking, or will take each other's classes. This way, they can each identify and personally experience what the students will go through.

"It is a matter of balance through different kinds of learning," Bird said.

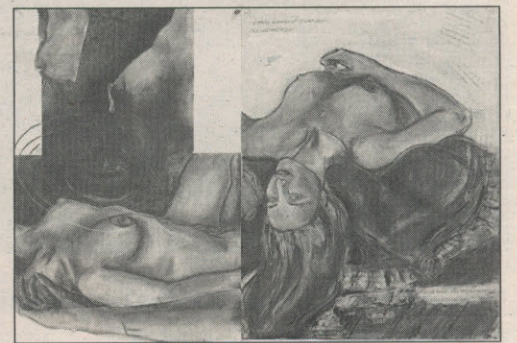
Along with the instructors, guest artist Barbara Mindell will visit LCC in February. Mindell suffered a spinal cord

injury 35 years ago and has used movement, art and writing to heal her injury. She will teach all three of these aspects to the students who will be a part of the "Investigate the Body" learning community.

The Jane King fund, The Reading Together Project and the Arts Division will partially fund her residency, from Feb. 13-17.

Investigate the Body will enable students to investigate, as well as recognize, realize and express the harmony and congruence of their inner and outer realities.

"Continuum (Dancing the Fluid Body) has helped me to get deeper internal awareness of myself physically,



CHARCOAL DRAWING BY SARAH STEVENS

The learning community called Investigating the Body offered Winter term, will include studio art, dance and writing classes

emotionally, and mentally. It has helped me realize that understanding my body is a process rather than a fixed object or state," student Shannon Knight said. Knight has been taking continuum for a year.

The classes can be taken as a whole for a total of eight credits or they can be taken in a set of two.



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Sculpt, glaze, reuse and recycle

Lohr and Logue showcase
their symbiotic art at LCC's gallery

REVIEW BY
RANDY WOOCK
A&E EDITOR

My first thought upon walking into Tom Lohr and Anna Logue's exhibit was that I'd stumbled into a LCC-subsidized version of Pier One. The glare from various pots and ceramic bottles nearly blinded me.

The visual shock was short-lived as the show contained a few things worth seeing.

Tom Lohr describes himself as a potter, and has been a "functional" one for twenty years. He and his wife run their own company, Pleasant Hill Pottery (located on the web at www.pleasanthillpottery.com).

"I like the idea of making something both beautiful and useful," Lohr said.

While the pots and bottles designed by Lohr tend to be sold separately, his exhibit gives him the chance to arrange numbers of them into sculptural settings. A collection of whiskey bottles were laid mouth to mouth

("Corner Boys"), resulting in a shape that Lohr described as being like that of a giant spine.

Along with his sculpting work, Lohr is also a brewer. He makes what he refers to as "good beer," which includes types like India Pale Ale and Porters.

Best of all, anyone buying a ceramic beer bottle from Lohr

**Art Gallery exhibit
Tom Lohr and Anna
Logue LCC Building
11 Nov. 14 - Dec. 15**

gets free refills for life. Free refills for life.

I nearly wept upon hearing this. It was the best business incentive ever invented by man. Consider it our species finally justifying its existence.

Some of Lohr's designs have a playful function. For anything artistic to have a function at all is rare these days (unless you follow the aesthetic line set out by Pound in his Machine

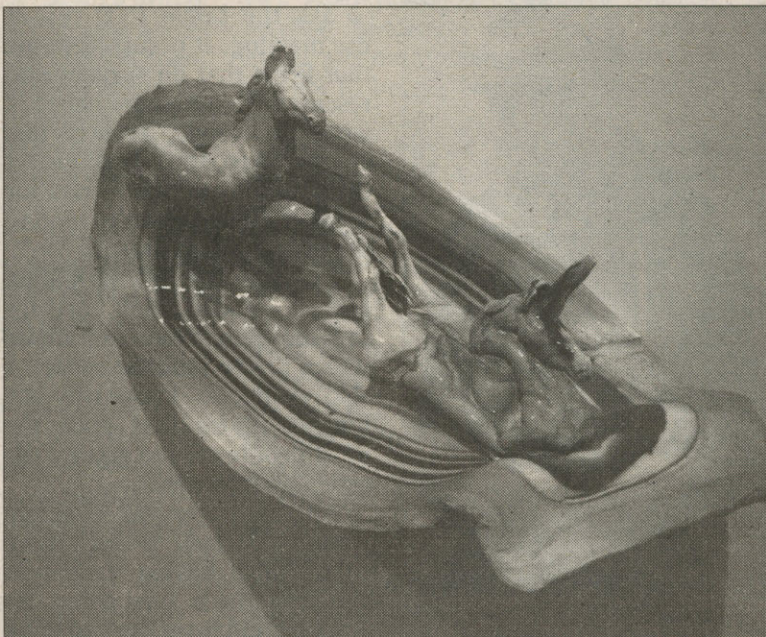


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"Splash," one of Anna Logue's pieces, conveys the feeling of movement rather than realism.

Art essay). For that function to be of a playful nature is such a beautiful rarity that it is to be applauded with a standing ovation.

Lohr's exhibit features a piece called Cruise, involving four smaller cups surrounding a larger bottle with rotating headpiece. The headpiece is

spun around, and whichever cup is pointed to by the light-colored dot on the headpiece's side, the owner of that cup takes a drink.

Lohr also has another dinette set sculpted like a roulette wheel "Bet On Blue."

The base is a plate divided into four sections, each with a

separate cup on it. In the center of the plate is a bowl with a small ball that can be set to rolling. Where it stops, no one but the sculptor knows. Lohr claims he got the idea from, "the great country of Las Vegas."

Anna Logue's sculptures have a beautifully symbiotic relationship with Lohr's ceramics. Logue takes the debris and detritus from Lohr's creative process and makes them into separate works. One artist's trash truly becomes another artist's treasure.

"Rhythm Corpse-Boy" is a particularly elongated spine made out of ceramic shards for vertebrae with bottle tops for the base and pinnacle.

The sculptures "Splash" and "Floats" feature horse-shaped ceramics swimming against melting Dali-like surfaces that swirl with muted colors.

In society beginning to emphasize the importance of reusing and recycling, it's nice to see artists heeding the call more commonly directed toward their industrial brethren.

Anna Logue and Tom Lohr's show is featured in the LCC art gallery, Building 11, until Dec. 15.

Roman decadence goes widescreen and wacky

Strange how movies
can have nudity and
still be so crappy

REVIEW BY
RANDY WOOCK
A&E EDITOR

Everyone knows the old platitude about how power corrupts, and the addendum about absolute power corrupting absolutely is equally well known. What isn't as well known is that sometimes power doesn't just corrupt, it corrupts cinematically.

So, what's it about?

Watch "Caligula" grow from a charming (and incestuous) young lad into a power-mad

Roman emperor. Malcolm McDowell plays the increasingly erratic emperor, who becomes more and more unhinged as he explores the possibilities inherent in absolute power.

And why should I care?

You shouldn't. Rulers who abuse their power are just a historical oddity, thank God. The people controlling our lives nowadays are wise and benevolent folk with only our best interests at heart. They'd never hurt anyone needlessly, nor would they drain the state coffers for personal, selfish reasons.

Or, at the very least, they hopefully wouldn't sleep with their sisters like we see "Caligula" do.

Yeah, but will it make me a better person?

Hopefully you'll take from this movie the important lesson that the last person you want funding your movie is a pornographer. Nothing against the profession, but Penthouse Magazine founder Bob Guccione produced the flick and I'm suspecting that has something to do with how, at the end of every scene, there's an extra ninety seconds tacked on of all the extras licking each other.

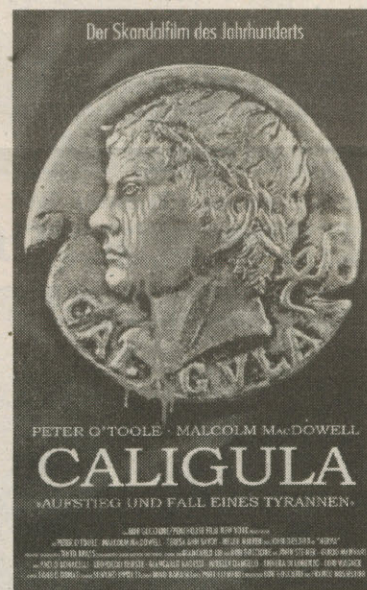
There's no attempt to tie any of this to the rest of the movie. There is only the guarantee that at the end of each scene two or more people will be licking each other for an extended period of

time. Sadly, anything dulls with repetition.

It doesn't matter how much of a fan you typically are of watching such activities, you will get tired of it during the course of this movie.

The movie's script was written by Gore Vidal who eventually asked to have his name taken off the credits (the movie used to be called Gore Vidal's "Caligula").

Reading any of the man's books or essays will demonstrate that Vidal isn't the sort of person who could ever be accused of prudery. "Caligula" just happens to be a textbook case of how to accomplish the miraculous task of making the sexual incredibly un-sexy.



MOVIE QUICK PICK
Caligula
Tinto Brass, 1980

Music to our ears



PHOTO BY NAOMI REICHMAN

The Lane Chamber Orchestra rehearses for its upcoming performance scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 20 at 4 p.m. at the Newman Center, 18th & Emerald in Eugene.

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- Take a sauna.
- Cut alcohol consumption.
- RELAX!!!

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DASHER from page 7

While in the Philippines, Dasher plans to take kids off the streets and teach them the game of soccer.

During his time at Lane, Dasher handpicked most of the players on the team and coached the Titans to a 6-8-4 record. "It's disappointing and unfortunate (to see him go)," defender McKenzie Scheriner said. "Shane put in so much time into this team."

This experience was more than just soccer related for team captain Jamie Sogge. "He challenged me in all aspects of life," Sogge said.

Sogge came to Dasher before the season began and asked what it would take for her to make the soccer team. Dasher gave her clear things to work on and helped her along the way to accomplish them.

Sogge was rewarded by being named one of three captains on the team for her hard work and determination. "He never gave up on me," Sogge said.

Some of the players are nervous about getting a new coach. "We'll have to learn new formations and strategy. He (Dasher) was a big part of our success," defender Mesha Clayton said. Clayton hopes that the new coach will mesh well with the team and be an asset to the program.

The search for Dasher's replacement is in the beginning phases. "We are working on the details of the job description," athletic director Sean MonDragon said Tuesday. "We want to make sure we have a good enough pool to draw from. The hope is to get someone with college coaching experience



PHOTO BY ROBERT JONES

Shane Dasher steps down as head soccer coach to move to the Philippines with wife.

quickly after Shane leaves in December."

Select coaches around the area have been contacted concerning the opening.

The position will pay a \$5,000 stipend for the head coach.

Almost all the players on the team are from the Eugene/Springfield area.

"This area is a hot bed for players," MonDragon said.

Dasher leaves behind a team that he helped shape and develop in his year with the program.

"As a team we wish him luck and thank him for all the time and hard work he put into the program," defender Brittany Hayes said.

LTD from page 3

So, I began to ponder as I went through my day at Duck U what kind of stuff I wanted to ask the brave LTD rep at the meeting. It occurred to me that firms that do surveys and research do not come cheap. I wonder how much it cost for this survey? \$40,000? \$60,000? I think that's enough to pay for another bus or driver to tend to the overcrowded #98.

I believe that all the phone calls, e-mails and articles provide enough data to compile into a pretty realistic report. I also wanted to know why the longest routes that pack the most people are not getting the articulated busses.

Although it's still a safety issue, I'd feel a lot more comfortable having 31 people standing on a bus going 20 - 30 around town instead of 65 on the freeway.

I'm curious to know how much of the \$19 million in payroll taxes LTD claims as revenue comes from Creswell and Cottage Grove. It was quite a fight to get service in the Grove and our local employers pay dearly for it. I'm reasonably sure money is being made somewhere here.

I breezed into the Torch office to find it bustling but without an LTD rep. WHAT? I gotta tell you: the first thing

I thought was the girls are jerking my chain but the looks on their faces told a different story. He had been there but arrived early, said his piece and left. What? What about now since I came here for that purpose? I was angry at first but had too many things to do so I pushed it to the back of my mind until I came home. Of course I don't get home in time to catch the rep before he goes home for the day, but I did find out what he does for LTD: Director of Marketing and Communications. What? Please, someone tell me what the marketing and communications has to do with an overcrowded bus? I will continue in my quest and eventually talk to someone who can act on our behalf. I am tired of reaction. I want action.

I sat and read the two brochures with an open mind and long after my irritation subsided. One was in the Register Guard a few weeks ago. I remember because I contested the picture of the #98. It looked like a relaxing ride home on the articulated bus. That is not typical of the #98 route. The second one was very informative highlighting the new EMX, customer service, sources and funds and the Board of Directors. I think they must be the top of the heap

because they are appointed by the Governor. At least I know who I need to talk to now. The #98 is in sub district 3. David Gant, here I come.

I read the strategic plan goals on the back page and they are as follows:

- Deliver reliable public transportation services
- Provide leadership for the community's transportation needs
- Develop innovative services that reduce dependency on the automobile
- Maintain LTD's fiscal integrity
- Develop a team environment

I didn't see safety there, did you? Hmmm. Every night for a week, I've listened to the news stories about the LTD driver's concern with bathroom breaks being a safety issue. I heard Rene McCullough say, "LTD says safety is number one." What? Personally I think I am going about this all wrong. I need a new approach or maybe I just need to redefine my idea of safety. For the time being, I will continue to write and gripe. And now that I have names and numbers, I think I'll irritate a few more people with my rants. Coming soon to the Torch near you, "Bus 5: Approaching Surreal."

BUDGET from page 1

informational fact sheets that offer students the truth about financial aid.

Moderate-income students have an unmet need of \$2250, while low-income students have an unmet need of \$3800 and now congress is proposing the largest cuts to student loans since the beginning of the

programs.

Apparently, their information is spreading.

In the past two months, students of America have sent more than 15,000 e-mails and made over 10,000 phone calls to congress to speak out against the bill.

But students are not the only

citizens speaking out.

In a guest column for The Register Guard, Rep. Peter Defazio denounces the bill. He pays careful attention to the companion bill that "extends tax cuts to the top one percent... and (and hurts) working families while protecting elite, wealthy special interests."

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Class Days: *MWF or M, W, F, MW, WF, MTuWThF, MTuWTh, MWThF, MTuThF, MTuWF*

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Other

Giving is a Life Changing Experience. Dear Lane Staff, your employee giving campaign ends Nov. 18th. Thanks to those of you who have turned in your pledge card. Please contact us if we can bring a pledge card to you. Six prizes for the week six drawing! Enter by Nov. 18th by turning your pledge card with or without a contribution. Siv Serene Barnum (463-3174) and Shelley Dutton (463-5675), We Care co-chairs.

Messages

Happy Thanksgiving to Ryan, Isaac, Kylie, Grace, my mom, my dad, Lynda and my family in Cali. and La. With love, Eir

Happy Thanksgiving Greeting to my family in Eugene, my brother Peter and sister-in-law Patti in Penn. and my best friend Jen in Cali. Sophia

Happy Turkey Day Johnsons, Bingham, and Becketts. I love you guys! Krystle

Looking forward to a great Thanksgiving with my family in Newberg. Grandma's pumpkin pie will be great as usual. Love you all! Zak

Happy Thanksgiving to the local Plotners, Brunnens, Laurys, and Larsons from Jessica, your favorite Graphic Designer!

Viv - Happy T-Day. D

B & L - Happy anniversary. Enjoy your time at the wedding.

Melissa - Thanks (in advance) for the help.

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What's your favorite kind of pie?



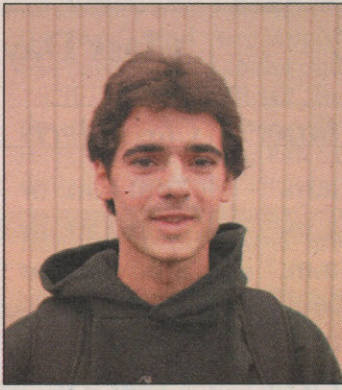
Brian Ramey

"Strawberry rhubarb. I grew up in Ketchikan, Ala. and my neighbor had a patch of rhubarb and we'd steal it and my mom would make pie."



Marilyn Brown

"Pumpkin pie. I like it and I make it year round with lots of Cool Whip on top."



Nate Guadheni

"Blueberry pie. It's the best kind of pie."



Steven Mathews

"Apple. I like apples."

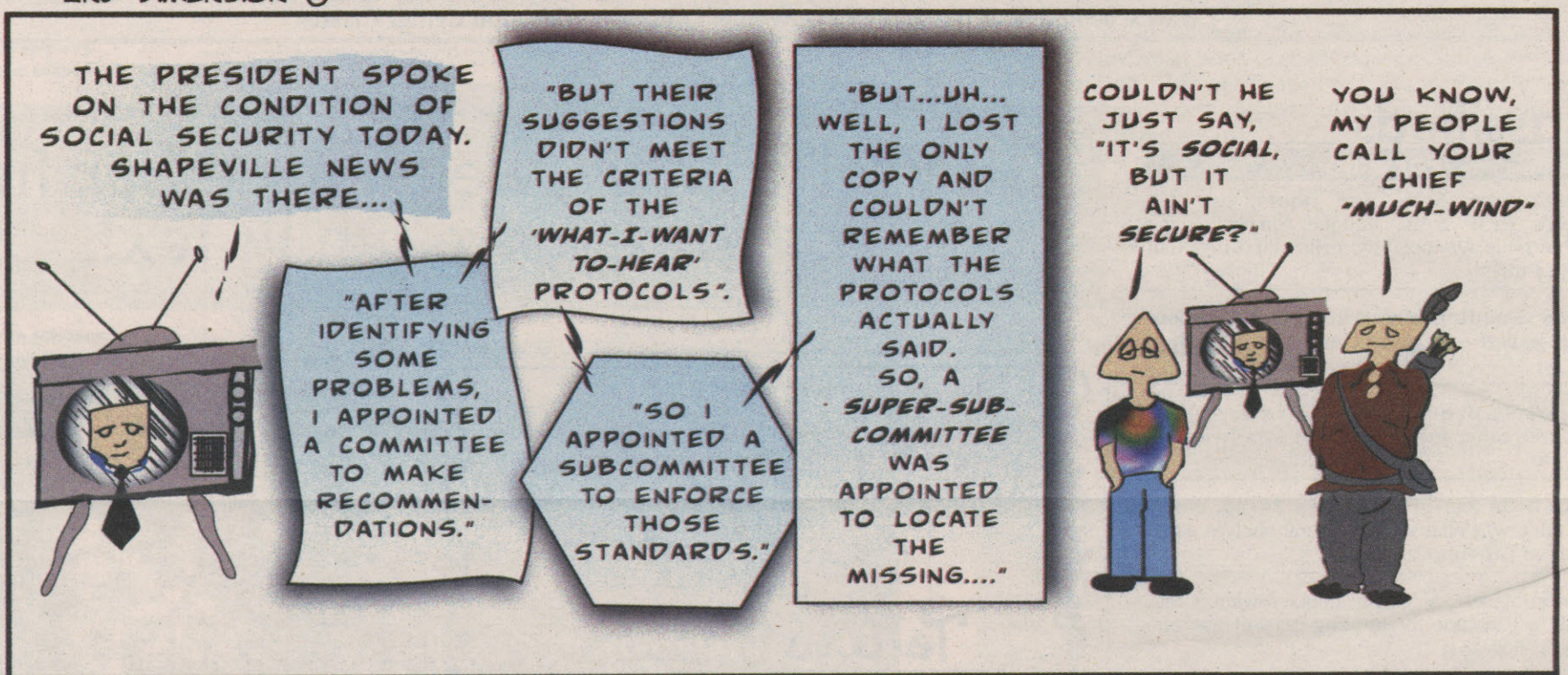


Tamera Taubenkrau

"I don't really like pie, I like cheesecake."

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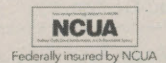
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