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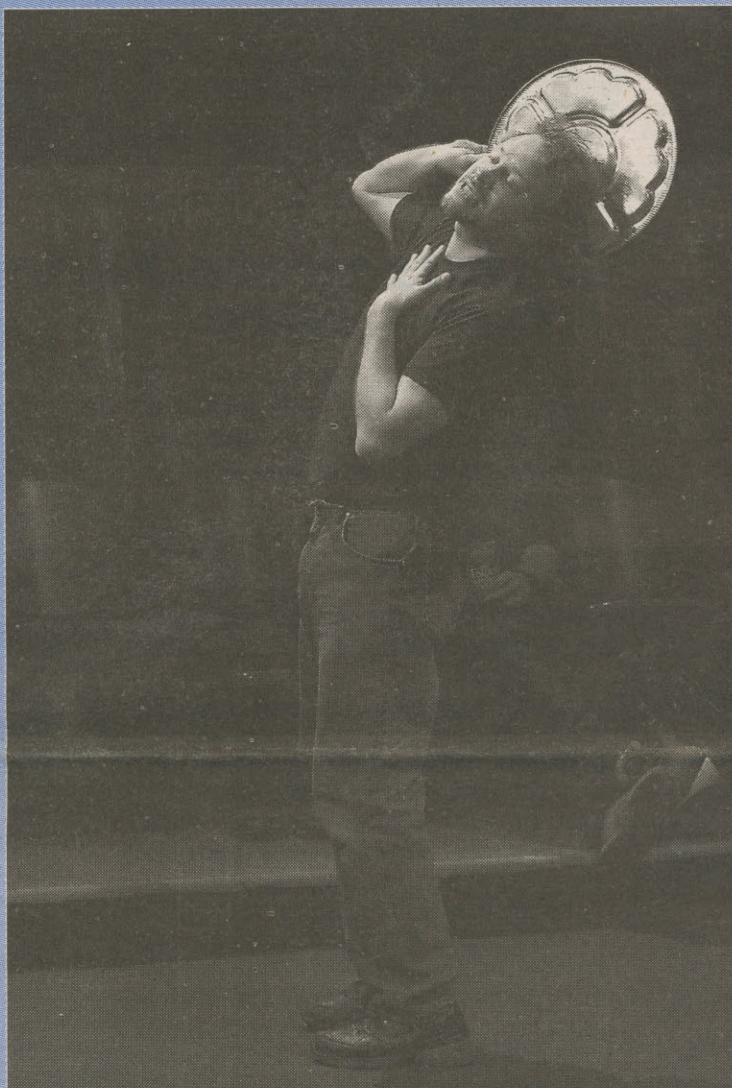
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## The Bard gets his day at LCC

Jerry Ferraccio gets warmed up in his rehearsal scene for the Shakespeare recital. The event was co-produced by The Blue Door Theatre and English Departments. The recital took place on Wednesday, June 7 at 7:30 p.m.

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## Permanent Chicano/Latino student coordinator appointed

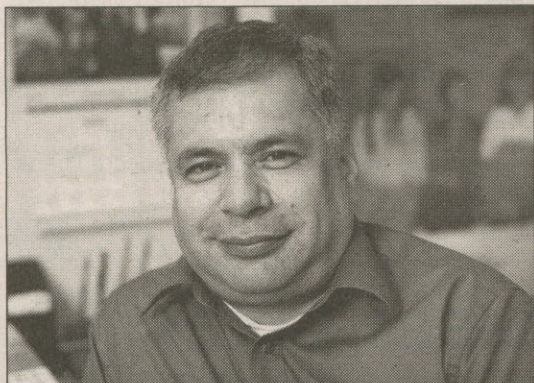


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Jim Garcia is the Chicano/Latino Student Coordinator in the Multicultural Center, Building 1, Room 201.

### Jim Garcia's interim position becomes official

EDER CAMPUZANO  
MANAGING EDITOR

A high percentage of Latinos that earn a Ph.D. start their education in a community college. The dialects of Spanish students use can be used to determine their country of origin.

These are just a couple of facts about Latino students that recently appointed Chicano/Latino Student Coordinator Jim Garcia is armed with.

"We're responding to a community need,"

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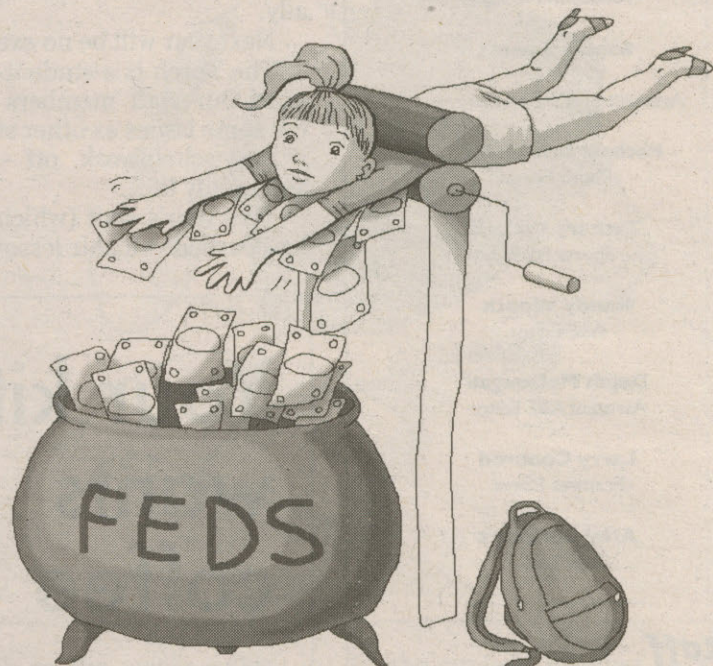


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## Student loan interest rates going up

### July 1 is deadline for loan consolidation

PEGGY GREEN  
NEWS EDITOR

The interest rate for federal student loans is set to increase by almost two percent effective July 1, 2006.

In an e-mail communication from the Oregon Student Association, it was stated that in a recently released survey, the average debt of Oregon undergraduate students is \$17,772. The interest rate increase would mean those same students could pay an additional \$2,000 in interest payments after July 1.

According to the OSA, and verified by Fiora Starchild-Wolf, LCC Enrollment Services adviser, out-of-school interest rates are increasing from 5.3 percent to 7.14 percent.

Starchild-Wolf advises any student with federal student loans to explore the possibility of loan consolidation before the July 1 deadline but offers a cautionary note.

"Consolidation may be a good thing, but it depends on the individual. Look very care-

fully at what the bank is offering. Be aware of your own patterns of how you are going to pay this back," Starchild-Wolf said.

Students may be able to consolidate their loan to a fixed rate, but need to be aware of factors such as losing their grace period. The grace period is the period of time (typically six months) between being out of school and the moment a student has to start paying off the loan.

According to Starchild-Wolf, giving up the grace period might be to their advantage and emphasized it just depends on the individual and their situation. She recommends students visit the U.S. Department of Education official student loan website: [www.dlsonline.com](http://www.dlsonline.com). It is an interactive website where students can explore their options.

Starchild-Wolf wants students to know that if they are low-income they may qualify for forbearance or for deferment and they should ask these questions too.

She added that the Perkins loan rates are not increasing, only the Stafford Loans.

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# COMMENTARY

## Goodbye and good luck

It has come time for me to pass on The Torch, literally. After two years on The Torch staff, I'm ready to say goodbye to the newspaper that has been an invaluable experience that I will take with me on my journey to become better at my craft.

A new editor has the opportunity to come in and manage the newspaper on his/her terms. This person is full of ideas and about half of these ideas will get implemented between deadlines, meetings and commitments. But with those ideas, The Torch is new and improved annually.

Next year will be no exception.

The Torch is a student-run organization. Our staff members struggle with the same issues as other students — balancing schoolwork, off-campus jobs and family life.

This year's staff (which includes me) has learned valuable lessons we will take

with us on our next venture, whatever that may be.

This team has helped produced a wonderful publication that has won numerous awards.

Our editorials got reac-

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**Heather Serafin**  
Editor in Chief



tions, our voters guide informed voters and our NWAACC special section brought attention to LCC's outstanding athletes and displayed great design, writing and photos.

Our goal has been to provide the campus community with relevant, up-to-date and timely coverage.

As is usually the case, we have had our share of controversy and criticism. Yes, we printed 'defecate' on the front

page of the newspaper when we meant 'deficit.' We outed a Rabbi who was not gay and shared unpleasanties with the now outgoing ASLCC president. Make no mistake about it, we learned from our mistakes.

Despite our failures, I am truly proud of our successes. Let's face it, our mistakes are printed in black and white every week, but so are our accomplishments.

As I leave The Torch behind, I wish the best of luck to everyone I have had the pleasure to work with over the years. I have been fortunate to spend my editorship in a welcoming and educational environment.

We accomplished a lot and I am sure that next year's editor in chief Larry Coonrod and his staff will accomplish even more.

## Letters to the Editor Pres elect responds

I did an interview with the Torch last week and the resulting article may have left some readers with the impression that I was not taking responsibility for my past.

That was not my intention when I did the interview. I feel that I was misquoted in some of the things that I had said and hope that this helps others know that I do take responsibility for the crime that I committed.

I was convicted of felony rape and have taken responsibility for my actions. I'm working to better myself and to find healthy methods to reconcile my past. In doing so I am going to college and learning leadership skills that I feel are going to help me with this process.

I hope that in my role as ASLCC president I am able to help others when they are in need and able to give them something in return. I apologize if the story in the Torch caused any concern to students and staff, and to please feel free to contact me.

**Happi Matthews**  
ASLCC President elect

*Editor's note: The Torch stands by the quotes recorded in the interview with Happi Matthews.*

## Respect our soldiers

I could honestly care less, what your political affiliation is. You could be a Democrat, Republican, Fascist, Communist, Anarchist, Monarchist, Liberal or Conservative and if you are on drugs, then perhaps all of the above!

My point is as follows; As Americans we sometimes take things for granted

and can appear to be spoiled brats. In the great scheme of things, we have an abundance of freedom and privilege, and we, more often than not, take that for granted! We as a whole do not fully comprehend, nor respect, that the men and women in our armed forces give us what we have!

These brave people certainly deserve our respect. They are not political. They just follow orders. And traditionally our soldiers might have even possibly liberated a few world citizens that may have otherwise been mass murdered for the almighty crime of having the wrong color, ethnicity, language, gender or religion. Or at the very least lived the remainder of their sad lives, living in tyranny and oppression!

I am a moderate/centrist politically and have voted for both Republicans and Democrats in the past. I believe supporting our troops is not a political issue and I humbly ask all that read this to not make it one! This war in Iraq is not Vietnam. George Bush, for right or wrong, is not, and will never be Hitler. To think that, in my humble opinion, is delusional.

It just seems to me that sometimes some of our biggest peace activists are the ones that appear to hate the most on occasion. The tragedy of people of poor judgment during the Vietnam era of spitting on our troops is an embarrassment and should never be repeated in a civilized society!

This being the case, what I ask of you is simple: please respect our men and women in uniform for they certainly respect you enough to put their very lives on the line night and day for you, even if you do not deserve that respect! Thank you!

**Tom Bush**  
LCC Student

## Your kitty wants coffee

**MACKWORLD**  
**John Mackwood**  
Columnist



Come next October bird flu will be here in Oregon. A lot more people sick in bed. Drink more water and stay in your home.

Torch newsroom is doing 21 Century news writing. It's very good newspaper writing, definitely. Keep it up all. Writing essays is my new goal in the future.

Your cat loves to drink Dutch Brothers coffee. Buy 10 cups get eleventh one free. If your cat gets in your kitchen overnight he might have strawberry cake on his face.

The WB cartoon with the cat and mice is very good.

Goodbye and good luck.

*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.*

## Psychological castration misuses taxes

There's supposed to be something in this country called the separation of church and state. So why are tax dollars being used to force religious sexual morals on teenagers?

Despite studies suggesting its ineffectiveness as an educational focal point, the religious virtue of sexual abstinence has taken center stage in American sexual education programs. A fine example of this is the state-funded program known as the Wisconsin Abstinence Initiative for

Youth.

Already busy warping Wisconsin teens for a few years now, the WAIY has a few simple goals. Among these

## COMMENTARY

**Randy Woock**  
A&E Editor

are to "integrate abstinence education in existing Wisconsin systems," work toward a 25 percent decrease "in the proportion of Wisconsin high school youth who report ever having

sexual intercourse" and lower the reported cases of STD infection.

That last goal actually sounds like a laudable one. However, we could argue that it's not

less sex that's the answer to such concerns, but rather more sexual education. Studies show that teens who receive abstinence-only sexual

education become as sexually active as anyone else; they just tend to use contraceptives at a much lower rate.

Considering that, as Planned Parenthood puts it, "35 percent of public school districts require abstinence to be taught as the only option for unmarried people and either prohibit the discussion of contraception or limit discussion to its ineffectiveness," it's no surprise that the U.S. currently has the highest rate

## Hynix recruits graduates of LCC's Electronics Technology program

*The microchip manufacturer offers a potentially high income with benefits*

PEGGY GREEN  
NEWS EDITOR

Graduates of LCC's Electronic Technology program are interviewing with Hynix for jobs with a potential earning power of six figures.

Recruiters from Hynix, maker of microchips, visited LCC recently to make a presentation to the graduating class of 11 and recruit them to work at their Eugene location. Five students completing the two-year program submitted resumes and all will get interviews.

"We're completing the round of interviews," Doug Zuern, Hynix recruiter said.

While some of the graduates have already interviewed, others are waiting until after they take their final exams, according to Zuern.

Although no one will know for another week if they will be hired, "The outcome looks promising," Doug Weiss, LCC Electronics Instructor said.

The Hynix new hires, after passing an entry level technical exam, will service and work on "manufacturing tools," according to Don Danielson, Hynix Human Resource Section Manager for Staffing and Training.

"These tools are the \$2 million machines that make the microchips. It takes a very skilled electronics individual to service them," Danielson said.

As an Equipment Technician Level I, the new hires will earn \$12.66 or more per hour, depending on education, with full benefits beginning their first day on the job.

"We probably have one of the premier benefit plans in the state," Danielson said.

Benefits at Hynix include medical insurance, a 401K plan with corporate matching, a monetary bonus plan based on meeting productivity goals and for some, trips to Seoul, South Korea to visit the Hynix headquarters.

Hynix has five levels of Equipment Technician with the highest, Senior level, having the potential to make more than \$100,000 a year.

"Hynix wants to train and promote employees from within to rise to higher levels, to establish a win-win situation," Danielson said.

Hynix is also working with LCC to develop an internship program for the future.

"It's in the developing and discussion stage ... in the embryonic stages, but hopefully we can put something together for a long time," Danielson said.

Of the five graduates interviewing with Hynix, one is female.

"We have mostly male students, but do have one female in the graduating class of 11. We usually have more than one female," Weiss said.

"We've promoted, done workshops with high school students trying to encourage the female side," Weiss said.

According to Betty Svarverud, Student Adviser in the Advanced Technology department, the job market in Oregon for technology graduates is excellent.

## News Flash

### LCC GRADUATION

LCC graduation will be held on Saturday, June 10 at 4 p.m. at the Lane County Fairgrounds. Graduates must plan to be at the fairgrounds by 3 p.m. to get lined up and ready to march into the Exhibit Hall. Guests will be let in the doors at 3:30 p.m.

### NATIVE AMERICAN LONGHOUSE

A groundbreaking ceremony for LCC's Native American Longhouse will be held Wednesday, June 21 from 10 a.m. to noon. The ceremony will be held by parking lot A, adjacent to Building 4.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR KLCC GARDEN TOUR

KLCC seeks friendly volunteers for the 13th Annual Garden Tour, Sunday, June 25. Volunteers are needed at each garden to take tickets, sell raffle tickets and to direct guests to entrances and exits. Various shifts are available. Table, chairs and umbrellas provided. No gardening expertise required! For more information, contact Kris at foxk@lanecc.edu or 463-6020.

### LCC SUMMER HOURS BEGIN JUNE 19

Summer business hours for LCC will be 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday and closed to the public on Fridays. The change will start Monday, June 19 and end Friday, September 1.

## Body still unidentified

*Investigation continues, no new leads in sight*

PEGGY GREEN  
NEWS EDITOR

The case is not yet closed on the identification of the decomposed human remains found by a hunter one mile south of the LCC main campus on Oct. 30, 2005.

Detective Michael Lamb of the Lane County Sheriff's office said they have not been able to make an identification.

"The case is still open, but we can't go anywhere until we get some more leads," Lamb said.

"We have nothing to match it to. We had a couple of leads but ruled those two out. One was a Medford woman and another from Klamath Falls."

One of the missing women showed up alive and the other was not a match.

Lamb went on to explain that there are no missing people in this area matching the deceased's description.

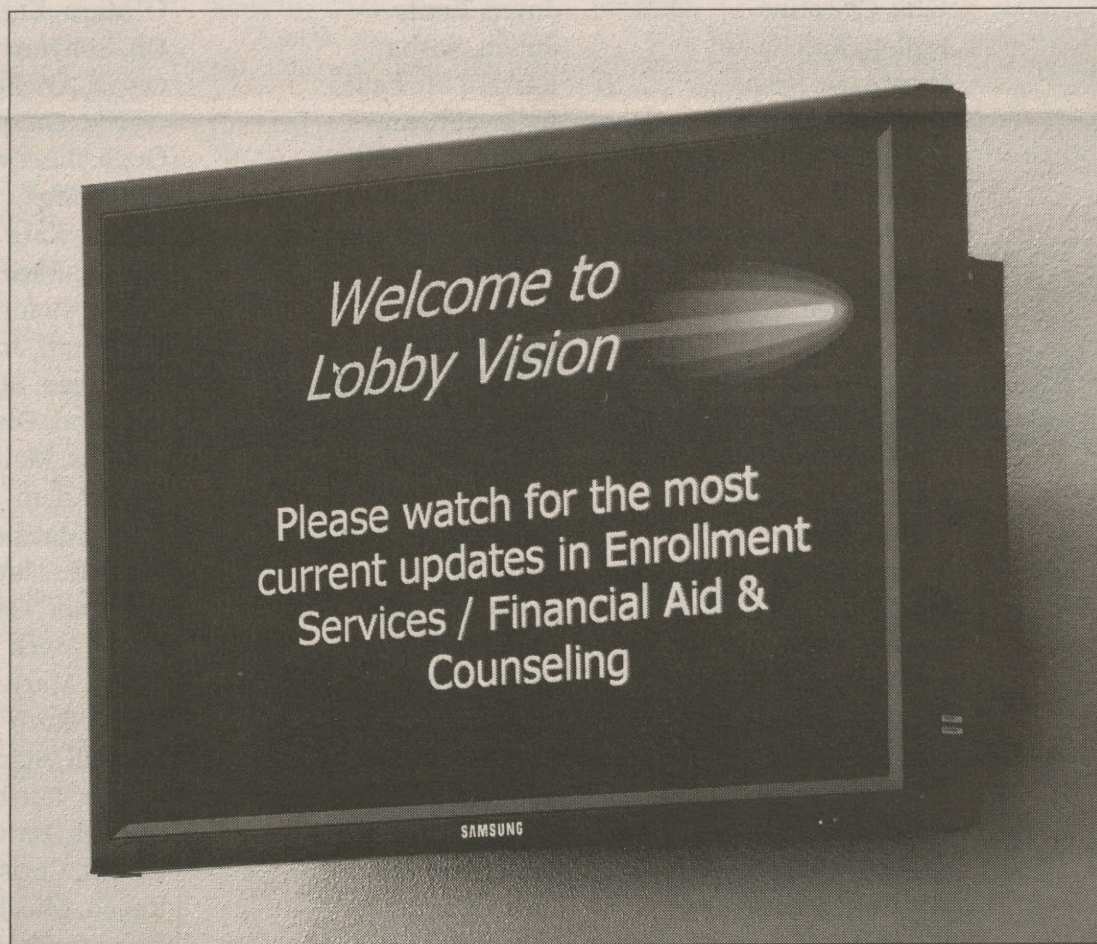
Although the cause of death has not been officially determined, all signs point to a suicide.

"It's possible it was a suicide. We can't say for sure. But it's reasonable that it's probably a suicide. There was no sign of foul play and there was a signed note," Lamb said.

The best description of the body Lamb could give is that it was a female, probably in her late 30s or early 40s, about 5'7" tall with heavy bone structure and brown hair.

Lamb said she may have been Native American, but it's not certain she was. According to Lamb, she wore clothing with unique beadwork and "ECCO" brand shoes, which are expensive.

As The Torch reported in a Nov. 3, 2005 news story, due to the level of decomposition, the body is believed to have been in the heavily wooded area for a number of months and possibly longer.



A 42" monitor now rests on a wall in the Enrollment Services in Building 1. Lobby Vision presents a slideshow featuring answers to frequently asked questions for Student Services.

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MICHAEL  
BRINKERHOFF

## 'Lobby Vision' updates students

*PowerPoint presentation expected to help answer questions*

PEGGY GREEN  
NEWS EDITOR

In the lobby of Building 1, high on the wall opposite Enrollment Services and Financial Aid, there is a new 42-inch monitor with a looping PowerPoint presentation to update students on essential matters.

Information presented includes such things as opening and closing hours of Financial Services, when

grades will be posted, information on LTD bus passes, where to get information on filling out financial aid applications, registration for Fall term and where to find student jobs.

"It's all the information that had been on the white board in the lobby. Financial Aid things, anything we thought students would want to know," Enrollment Services adviser Cecilia Combest said.

Combest is in charge of updating the information on the system, called Lobby Vision.

Lobby Vision can be read while students are standing in line. In

some happy cases, they may find out they don't have to stand in line because the answer has just appeared on the monitor, answering their question.

Lines at Enrollment Services and Financial Aid are expected to be longer next year due to budget cuts made to the department's classified employees. The department is relying on technology to make up for the reduction in service. According to Combest, the college already owns the monitor and the software. The cost of putting up the monitor was split between the budgets of Counseling and Enrollment Services.

*These LCC students have earned a GPA of 4.0 or higher for twelve graded credit hours for Winter term, 2006.*

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Ahlstrom, Caryn	Connor, Elisabeth	Hannigan, Cheryl	McDonald, Emma	Scholz, Jasmine
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## Vice President of College Operations is retiring

*Multi-talented Marie Matsen leaves LCC after 25 years*

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Marie Matsen, Vice President of College Operations, is retiring on June 30 after 25 years of service at LCC. Matsen's service at LCC started in 1981 as a classified microcomputer lab coordinator, then as a computer programmer, research analyst-computer specialist and assistant to the president. In 1994, Matsen was appointed interim Vice President for College Operations and in 1997 she accepted the permanent position.

"I don't know if I could pick a favorite (job.) They have all been satisfying in their own way. This job (Vice President) has been the hardest job. The results you get are different from my other jobs," Matsen said.

Education, in some form or other, has always been a large part of Matsen's life. Her parents were unable to attend college because of World War II but there was still a long history of educators and college graduates in her family. Matsen recalls that she was never forced to go to school, just that she never thought that she would not go college.

"The value of being educated gets passed on through families," Matsen said.

Matsen began her college experience by attending Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota. She applied to six or seven colleges and Carleton was the only one that gave her enough money to attend college. "It was the best place I could have gone to at the time. All my tests there, other than chemistry and biology lab tests were essay tests. They forced me to learn to write," Matsen said.

After attending Carleton, Matsen went to UO for a master's in physical education. She then coached softball and volleyball at the University of Iowa. She also coached at Carleton College and Washington State University. After coaching volleyball for a few years, Matsen wanted to try something else. She enrolled at LCC and took every class for a computer programming degree except two classes that LCC

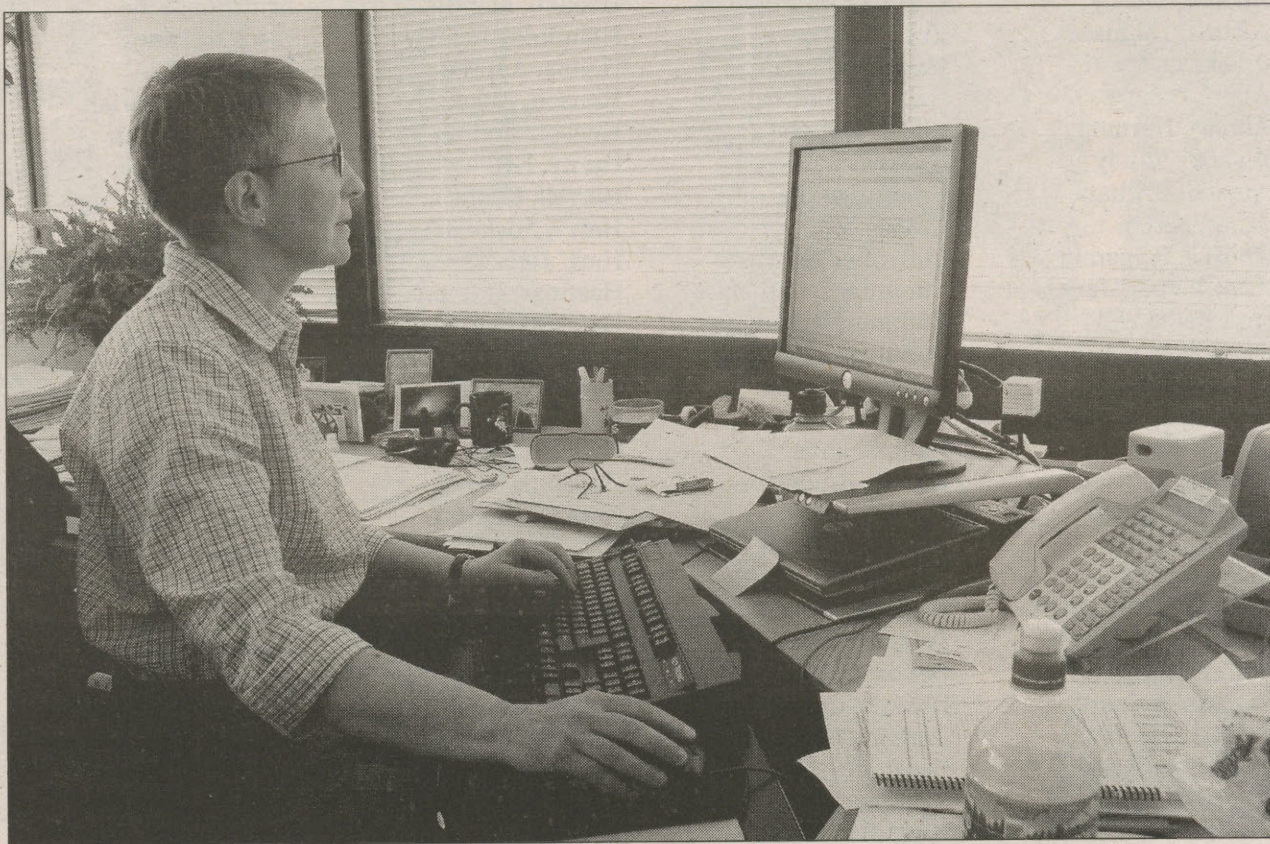


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**Maria Matsen gets a head start on the never ending e-mails.**

would not waive: Writing 101 and Personal Health, which Matsen thought was funny.

After completing the classes she applied for the microcomputer lab coordinator job. Several jobs later, like a chameleon, Matsen attended UO again to get a Ph.D. in Educational Policy and Management. Two days after getting her doctorate Matsen was appointed vice president of College Operations. She has held that position longer than any of her predecessors, a fact that makes Matsen "feel old."

Although Matsen will be officially retiring in June, she will stay on until December, working part-time to tie up "loose ends" in projects she oversees, mainly Sustainability, Public Safety, and Facilities Manage-

ment and Planning projects. After December, Matsen wants to take at least a year off to hike, write, play golf, play the cello or piano and do some landscape photography.

In honor of Matsen's service to LCC, the Lane Foundation has set up an account in her name. Donations are being accepted through June 30. Contributions can be made at [www.lanecc.edu/foundation](http://www.lanecc.edu/foundation) and the Foundation asks that Matsen's name be put in the "In Honor Of" field.

"The best gift anyone could give me at (LCC). I can't think of anything better than to give to this foundation," Matsen said.

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## Is it a place for friends or felons?

*MySpace crimes receive a lot of attention but are less common than thought ...*

EDER CAMPUZANO  
MANAGING EDITOR

As many have learned, information on MySpace is accessible to anyone.

There are more severe repercussions for improper uses of MySpace than a lost reference on a resume. Avrum R. Fried of North Bend is facing jail time for corresponding with someone he thought was a 13 year-old girl.

High school athletes in Canby and McMinnville were suspended for posting photos of themselves consuming alcoholic beverages.

More high school students in Beaverton were suspended for online harassment of those they called "dirty kids."

These are a few crimes in Oregon that ended when found on the popular social networking site. According to the state attorney general's office, less than five percent of youth-re-

lated crimes begin online. Less than that occur on MySpace.

"I think the risk of your reputation being tarnished is higher than your risk of being contacted by a predator," Privacy Rights Clearinghouse Director Beth Givens said.

Even in California's Los Angeles County, and area infamous for its crime rate less than four percent of these crimes begin on the Internet.

"The cases that make it to the media are not an accurate portrayal of what MySpace is," wrote a MySpace.com representative in an e-mail. "(MySpace) is, first and foremost, a place for people from all walks of life to meet and interact."

Mycrimespace.com is a website that monitors newspaper and other media for stories connected to MySpace. From the site's findings, the majority of sexual delinquency crimes do not begin on MySpace. Instead, it is where the perpetrator is caught.

In at least two cases over the past month, both occurring in North Carolina, predators first met their victims through conventional means and kept in

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## Knocking for dollars: canvasser educates public

**OSPIRG gives students the chance to earn money while protecting the environment.**

LARRY COONROD  
FEATURES EDITOR

For Tim Stakes, fighting global warming is more than just preventing the greatest environmental disaster of our time; it's also his job.

As Citizen Outreach Director for OSPIRG's Eugene office, Stakes is playing a key role in building support for a bill that would require 25 percent of Oregon's electricity to be generated from renewable energy sources by the year 2025. While the bill has the backing of Gov. Kulongowski, it will almost certainly face tough opposition in next year's legislative session by those worried about the potential cost.

To build grassroots support for the Clean Energy Standard bill OSPIRG plans to speak to one out of 33 Oregon citizens this summer, pass out 36,000 brochures and gather 32,000 signatures.

To reach those numbers, OSPIRG is hiring students to canvass neighborhoods door to door to build support for the energy bill and raise funds for the campaign effort. Canvassers have the opportunity to make between \$275 and \$500 a week. Pay is based on meeting performance goals. "They (canvassers) have the opportunity to start making a lot more than the base right away," Stakes said.

Door to door campaigning is an effective way of countering the message put out by the energy industry that man does not cause global warming, Stakes said. "You have so many powerful special interest like oil companies spreading misinformation."

Eugene resident Babette Jones agrees. Jones wrote OSPIRG a check after Stakes canvassed her house and explained the potential effects of global warming on Oregon and how the Clean Energy Standard will "reduce pollutants by 25 percent."

"I get things in the mail and set them aside and never get around to reading them," Jones said. "I contribute more because they come to my door. I'm not an activist but they do important work."

According to Stakes, only one percent of Oregon's energy needs are currently met by renewable energy sources. This is fact he finds ironic considering the largest wind farm in the country, the 24-megawatt Klondike Wind Energy



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**OSPIRG staff, from left to right Tim Stakes, Danny Gates, Louisa Hamachek and Elizabeth Karas, rehearse before hitting the neighborhoods for an evening of canvassing.**

Facility is located in Sherman County in eastern Oregon and one of the largest builders of wind farms, PPM Energy, calls Portland home.

Asked about concerns by opponents that mandatory renewable energy quotas might lead to an increase in cost to consumers. Stakes counters that the potential economic benefits are enormous. "Renewables create more jobs and a better economy. They keep the money in the state," he said. "They also protect the economy from global fluctuations in foreign oil and natural gas prices."

A dedication to promoting renewable energy and protecting the environment brought former LCC student Louisa Hamachek, 50, to OSPIRG as a canvasser. "I saw it as an opportunity to make some money while doing something important," she said.

Hamachek also teaches watershed geology classes in local elementary schools. Her passion for teaching children carries over into her canvassing. She recently found herself giving an impromptu class about solar and wind energy to a group of neighborhood kids attracted to the color brochures they saw her leaving at houses. Hamachek was disappointed that the adults in the neighborhood didn't show any enthusiasm for her message but took solace that a younger generation had the chance to learn. "Even if I didn't make any money it was fun," she said.

With the bulk of their outreach program planned for this summer, OSPIRG's Eugene office is putting out the call for "Positive, motivated peo-

ple, who care about the environment," Stakes said. "We're looking for as many staff as possible this summer."

On a typical night an OSPIRG canvasser will visit between 80 and 90 homes in his or her assigned neighborhood, known as "the turf." Typically, a canvasser will talk to about 40 people a night and sign up five or six new (OSPIRG) members.

Prior to hitting their turf for five hours of canvassing, OSPIRG staff spends a couple of hours training canvassers. "They need to be able to clearly articulate the problem and the solutions on the issues we are working on," Stakes said. Stakes and other senior staff members discuss current events and what is happening in politics with canvassers.

In addition to earning money while protecting the environment, canvassers will take away knowledge and interest in politics Stakes said. "College kids who get involved with OSPIRG are more civically involved in adulthood," he said. "They start following politics and know how state laws are made."

Hamachek, with an encyclopedia-like knowledge of renewable energy that she fires off at a machine gun-like rate with little prompting, admits to knowing little about the political process before coming to OSPIRG. "I hadn't paid attention to politics before this," she said.

Many new canvassers are apprehensive about talking to strangers and soliciting money to fund OSPIRG's environmental campaigns. Before being sent out to a neighborhood, OSPIRG

staff ensure that canvassers are comfortable saying the "rap," a script that contains all the information about who OSPIRG is, what the issue is and how people can help.

Canvassers and OSPIRG staff spend time prior to each canvassing shift rehearsing the rap and role-playing. Laurie Solis, OSPIRG Field Manager, listens as canvasser Danny Gates raps with her about global warming and what she can do to help. Pretending to be an interested but unsure citizen she ad-libs, "I know global warming is bad but I have family that work in logging. How is this going to effect them?" When Gates is unsure how to answer Solis admonishes him to "say the rap the way it was written, the best canvassers say the rap the way it is written." When dealing with a person who seems supportive but hesitant Solis advises Gates that a focusing question such as "are you with us on this issue" will help get the conversation back on track.

Even with the training, role-playing and rehearsal, Hamachek initially found approaching strangers in their home intimidating. "I was shy, embarrassed and miserable the first week," she said. "I stuck with it and it got better, fear is waylaid by all the cool people you meet."

Canvasser is the entry-level position at OSPIRG but career opportunities as campus organizers, field managers, and campaign coordinators exist for college graduates Stakes said. "We want the most talented college students to fill our positions."

Stakes started out as a canvasser for the Arizona PIRG while earning a degree in justice and social inquiry from Arizona State University. Impressed by the work OSPIRG was doing he decided to move to Oregon after graduation. "I saw OSPIRG and how aggressive they were and really wanted to come here," he said.

To reach areas outside of Eugene OSPIRG plans several "camping canvasses" this summer to Bend, Ashland, and Coos Bay. According to Stakes the out of town canvasses will be optional but it will be an opportunity for staff to network with local activist in those locations.

Persons interested in working as an OSPIRG canvasser can contact the Eugene office at (541) 686-2771. More information about OSPIRG campaigns is located on the website: [www.ospirg.org](http://www.ospirg.org). Information on career opportunities with the state Peoples Information Research Groups can be found at [www.pirg.org](http://www.pirg.org).

### MySpace from page 6: Crime rate exaggerated

contact using MySpace.

"Of course, any means of communication can be misused," wrote the MySpace representative. "But the same criticism can be made of cellular technology, or even land lines for that matter. It doesn't take much more work to get somebody's phone number in addition to their e-mail address."

MySpace legislation is difficult to propose because of First Amendment rights. But there is a bill running through Congress that would ban MySpace use in any library or school receiving federal funding. The bill would also apply to chat rooms and other social networking sites like Facebook or LiveJournal.

"Acting goofy online at taxpayer expense isn't consti-

tutionally protected," author Michael M. Bates said, who is a proponent of the bill.

The bill would require website restriction software to be installed on computers at schools and libraries. The software cannot, however, restrict websites accessed via laptops using a wireless connection.

And it's not uncommon to see students in the LCC cafeteria with their face buried in a laptop.

"I do my homework down here (the cafeteria), and sure, a little MySpace," said journalism major David Sherwood. "I can see why they would not want people on MySpace in class, especially in computer classes, where kids can start visiting MySpace instead of working on assignments."

## Non-traditional student union

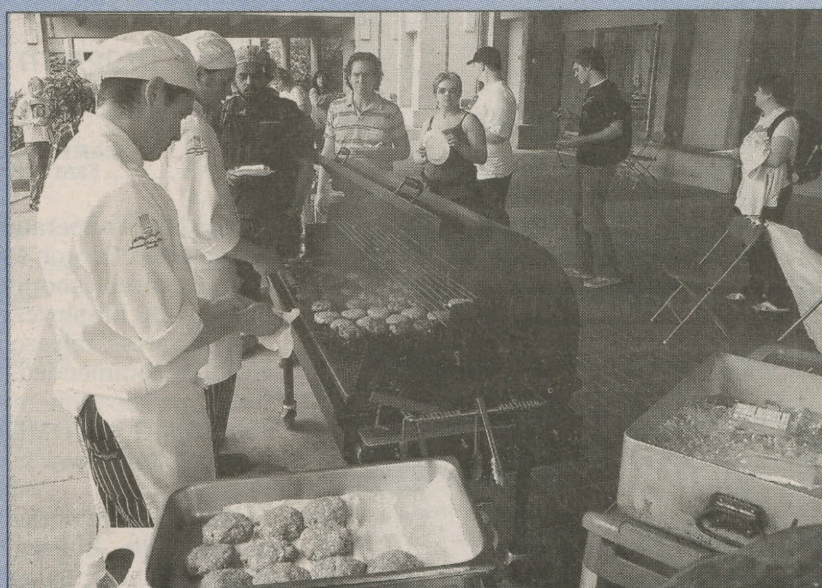


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Non-traditional students enjoy a barbecue and learn about transferring to UO. The Non-Traditional Student Union is a joint effort of LCC and UO. Its goal is to provide information and contacts to help LCC transfer students.



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Student Resource Center workers Marie Hutchens and Stacia Stabler take a break from the seriousness of restocking inventory. The center provides students with products such as soft drinks, candy and stamps at bargain prices.

## Vitamins, stamps and bargains for LCC students

### Student Resource Center sells goods at low prices

ARIEL BURKHART  
COPY EDITOR

The ASLCC Student Resource Center is a small center with a big message: they are there for LCC students.

The SRC, located in Building 1 on the second floor next to the ASLCC office, has deals to get more for the student's dollar and sells food at cost to cut down on price.

Many LCC students and staff feel that the SRC beats the competition when it comes to snack prices. Many students have low incomes so SRC Director Marie Hutchens wants to send a message to LCC students. "Three years ago we decided we were here for the students," Hutchens said.

Hutchens feels that students should be able to come to school and be able to feed themselves without giving an arm and a leg for food. Soft drinks and orange juice are priced at \$1 at the center. These products are \$1.50 in the cafeteria. The center has a deal

in which you can get a muffin, a yogurt or piece of fruit and a drink for \$2. The yogurt or the fruit is usually the free item in the special deal and students have been pleasantly surprised at the ability to choose a free snack.

"My main goal is that students have what they need," Hutchens said.

The SRC brings in about \$300 a week. Ideas such as free coffee on Wednesdays have brought attention and consumers to the SRC.

ASLCC uses the SRC revenue to fund clubs and parties such as the end-of-the-year

barbecue held the last Wednesday of May. ASLCC decides where the funds go and where they believe they can be used most appropriately.

Three years ago when Hutchens first started working at the SRC, they were bringing in about \$30 a day. The atmosphere of the center and the reasonable prices boosted its popularity.

Hutchens said sometimes students come up to her and ask to pay for an item later when they have money. Nine out of ten times the individual returns to pay for the item. She notices when people start

to take advantage of this familiarity with the center but she feels most of the students have their loyalties.

The center doesn't just sell snacks and food. They also provide a long distance fax machine, vitamins, stamps and more. They serve as an information booth, answering questions and giving directions to old and new students.

The possibility of a new center being located in the south end of the cafeteria is under consideration. The new center would set up couches so students would have options as to where they may relax.

## Writing Center Summer term hours and location

The Writing Center is moving to Room 450 in the Center Building during Summer term. Writing tutors will be available to assist students between 9:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

## Cooperative Education names Oregon Medical Group, Oregon Medical Laboratories employers of the year

Co-op program oversees 2,000 internships a year

LARRY COONROD  
FEATURES EDITOR

The LCC Cooperative Education Program has selected Oregon Medical Group and Oregon Medical Laboratories as co-recipients of the 2006 Employer of the Year Award.

In a press release Co-op chair Andrea Newton commended OMG and OML for their participation in the Co-op program. "Both OMG and OML are committed to developing tomorrow's work force," Newton said.

Past winners of the Employer of the Year include: the Eugene Water and Electric Board, PSC Ink, Sacred Heart Medical Cen-

ter, McKenzie-Willamette Hospital and King Retail Solutions.

Currently LCC coordinates over 2,000 student internships each at over 800 sites. "We have internships for every major at LCC," Newton said. "If we don't have an internship for your particular interest we will help you set one up," Newton said.

"Sixty-five percent of students who start an internship through the Co-op program are later picked up permanently by the employer," Newton said. Co-op students earn academic credit for internships as well as on the job experience.

According to Newton approximately 60 percent of internships are paid positions.

Students interested in internship opportunities can visit the Co-op Education Program office located in Building 19, Room 231.

# A look back

## The Lane Titans sports year in review

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SPORTS EDITOR

The sports season for all the Titan teams came out on a positive note. The school had two Northwest Athletic Association of Community College championships and all but one team made playoffs. The Titans also had 13 student-athletes named to the All-Academic Team.

"It will be hard to duplicate the success we had this year," Brent Ellison, Director of Recreational Sports said. "If you look at all of the sports, we lost some key players and two coaches."

### Women's Cross Country

The women earned the NWAACC title early in the year when the women's cross-country team outran the competition. Freshman Heather Spinney placed third overall with a time of 19 minutes and 20 seconds leading four other Titan runners.

### Men's Cross Country

The men finished second place behind Spokane. Freshman David Morgan took home the individual crown at the Battleground, Wash. course with a time of 25 minutes and 26 seconds. Morgan broke the race record by 20 seconds and marking a personal best in the 8,000-meter event. Freshman Ben Poffenroth of Lane placed sixth overall at the event.

### Women's Soccer

The women's soccer team just missed the playoffs by one game in their first season as a team.

The women started the season in a 0-4 hole but ended the season as one of the better teams in the Southern Division. Freshman Samantha Stewart led the Titans with six goals and five assists. Dean Smith was just named as the new head coach.

### Men's Basketball

The men's team finished the season winning four of its last five games which earned them a trip to the playoffs for the first time since the 2002-03 season. In the first round, the men knocked off the seventh ranked team Peninsula 71-67. The team fell in the second round after a strong effort against Lower Columbia 100-

87. Sophomore guard Josh Akwenuke averaged 22.1 points, 7.8 rebounds and 2.1 assists per game for the year. The team will return nine members of the team. Head Coach Matt Swagerty announced at the end of May that he would not return for the 2006-07 season.

### Women's Basketball

The Titans won their first NWAACC title finishing with the best record in LCC history, 33-1. The Titans won 77-59 in the championship game against Walla Walla. Sophomore guard Domonique King was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player. King averaged 9.5 points, 5.3 assists and 3.5 steals on the season. Sophomore post Lisa Fernandez will continue her basketball career at Northern Arizona University. King will attend Mesa State in Colorado and teammate Cora McVey will be attending Oregon Institute of Technology.

### Men's Track and Field

The Titans finished in second place in the championship meet to end the season. Redshirt freshman Colin Cram was a big factor for the Titans placing first in the NWAACC decathlon, earning the team big points heading into the NWAACC meet. Incoming sophomore Marcus Dillon won the 200-meter dash in the final meet. Freshman David Morgan took first place in the 10,000-meter dash.

### Women's Track and Field

The women took second in the championship meet behind defending champion Spokane. Freshman Whitney Harris set a new school record with a javelin throw of 155 feet. Sophomore sprinter Kristina Ely was named Outstanding Track Athlete for her victories in the 400-meter dash, 4x400 relay and a second place finish in the 200-meter dash.

### Baseball

The baseball team has a history of making it to the playoffs and would have done so again this year but fell in the opening rounds to eventual champion Columbia Basin. Due to rainouts the team didn't play a home game until the 19th game of the season. The team finished with a 24-20 record. Sophomore Scott Jacobson finished the season sixth in earned run averages with 1.07.

## New women's soccer coach chosen

### Dean Smith has 21 years of coaching experience

ZACKARY PACHOLL  
SPORTS EDITOR

Longtime local coach Dean Smith has been chosen to lead the Titans women's soccer team for the 2006 season.

Smith has been involved in coaching for 18 years in the Eugene area. He has coached at South Eugene and Marist high schools as well as youth and club teams.

Smith sees himself as a balanced coach.

"I am very aware of the dynamics of what is going on with the game. I try to evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of my team as well as taking into count the (players') personalities."

Smith has met a couple of the current players on the team and looks forward to meeting the rest.

"This will be a brand new team for me. It is going to be crazy without first getting to know what the players are like," Smith said.

With this year's team missing playoffs by one game, Smith has ideas on how to build the Titan name.

"I think one thing, off the bat, that will make this program successful on and off the field is creating stability," Smith said. "Getting players,



TORCH FILE PHOTO

Eloise Cole is one of nine returnees to the 2006 soccer team that will be coached by Dean Smith.

doing a good job recruiting, getting the word out about the program and trying to create some success on the field is going to do a lot for the program."

Smith is from Eugene but left for a few years to live in Alaska where he got into coaching with his wife Michele. After five years they

decided to move back to Eugene. When he arrived home he took a job as an assistant junior varsity coach at South Eugene High School.

Smith has two sons, Jes and Ian. Smith's family runs and operates the Smith Family Bookstore on 13th Street near campus and 5th and Willamette downtown.

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## Using renewable wind power for sustainability and energy

*LCC is the largest consumer of wind power locally*

JENNA CLINKSCALES  
TORCH REPORTER

LCC uses more wind power than the Eugene Water and Electric Board does at its headquarters in Eugene. The college is the largest wind power customer of EWEB, using 1.3 million kilowatts per year, while EWEB uses 1.2 million.

The college signed up as a 10 percent EWEB wind power customer for all of its facilities in December 2005.

For 2006, LCC will purchase nearly 1.5 million kilowatt hours of clean, renewable wind power. EWEB's "Spun From Thin Air" brochure states that using 100 kilowatts of wind generated power per month instead of fossil fuel generated power has the same annual environmental benefit as planting half an acre of trees or not driving 2,400 miles, the distance from Eugene to Houston, Tex.

The EWEB wind power plant is located in Foot Creek, Wyoming, between Laramie and Rawlins on 2,156 acres of land, most of which is still available for grazing.

Since there is no way to store wind, it does cost more to generate at this time (about 4.5 cents per kilowatt compared to an average of two cents for other types).

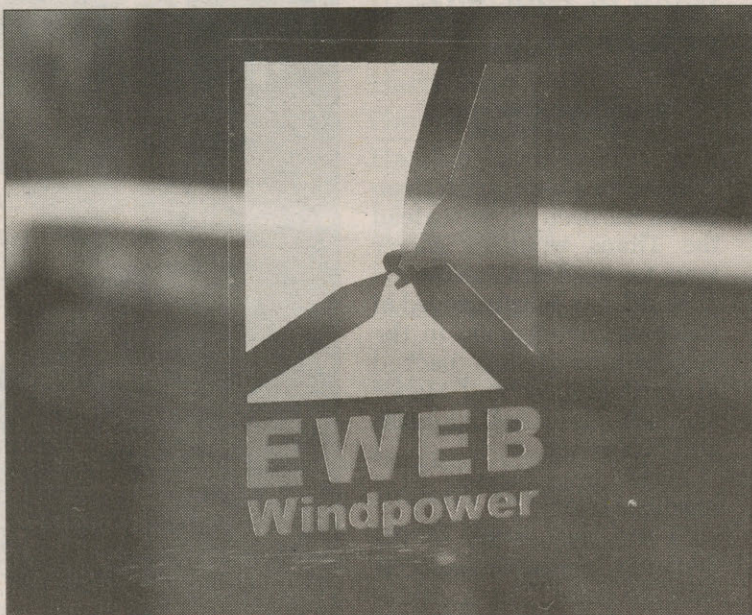


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**"EWEB Windpower" stickers furnish the windows and doors of many buildings on campus. LCC is EWEB's largest consumer of windpower.**

"There has been no rise in wind power cost since 1999, while the cost of other power such as hydro, natural gas, coal and electricity has continually risen," John Mitchell, the External Communications Coordinator at EWEB said.

There will be a slight increase in the cost of wind power this fall due to funding issues but it should remain cost effective. LCC's Energy Analyst Anna Scott played a big part in getting the program started.

"We want our community to see the advantage of community involvement... we want to put less carbon and greenhouse gases in the air

... EWEB wind power seemed like a good fit for our energy portfolio," Scott said.

Wind power is still one of the cleanest energies to be found due to the low carbon emission, which is important in reducing the greenhouse effect on the earth.

Scott hopes that LCC's purchase of a renewable energy resource will "inspire other large commercial customers to sign up for EWEB wind power. Here at LCC we're getting into renewable so that more of these kinds of wind power projects can be developed and we can build upon our good choices," Scott said.

## Job outlook bright for Health Career grads

*Nurses and Dental Hygienists are in demand*

ASHLEY BORJESON  
TORCH REPORTER

It's graduation time for LCC students and the Health Careers division is no exception. Part of the Professional and Technical Program, the Nursing and Dental Hygiene students are graduating, receiving their two-year Associate of Applied Science Degrees. For Nursing, 63 students will be graduating and for Dental Hygiene there will be 19 students.

The Nursing Program takes between 64-74 students each year depending on the funding. This upcoming year there are 240 able applicants for 64 spots.

"There has been a nursing shortage for a few years, because there are not enough education positions available. So jobs for graduates are plentiful," Julia Munkvold, Nursing Program Coordinator, said.

Munkvold estimated a solid 75 percent of nursing graduates stay in Lane County. Some of the jobs available are hospitals and extended care facilities. More students tend to go into the hospital acute care than community care because it pays more.

Acute care pays \$28 an hour, which can increase by working nights and weekends, while community care pays \$20-25 an hour. Munkvold believes nursing is a flexible trade because a nurse can start out on one track and easily move to another without losing seniority.

"(Students) are very skilled when they graduate. But skills aren't everything, common sense helps a lot too," Munkvold said.

Susan Bock, a graduating

nursing student, feels that LCC's "nursing program not only taught the basics but where to look." Bock, a non-traditional student, started the nursing program at 39.

"It was one of the hardest things I've done. Difficult but comprehensive, LCC did a phenomenal job ... making strong nurses entering the field," Bock said. Though Bock has not graduated yet, she already has a job at Sacred Heart Hospital. Many of her classmates also already have jobs in hospitals or clinics.

In the Dental Hygiene program, Coordinator Sharon Hagan said that there are 19 students graduating but usually it's only 18. One student this year returned from the military to graduate.

"This year is easier to find local work. More jobs are available in places like Lebanon, Albany and Corvallis. Not so much in Eugene," Hagan said.

The salaries for a Dental Hygienist start at \$30-35 an hour for dental offices. Hagan said this is a field in demand; most students will be employed by September or October of this year. The graduates will not be able to apply for a job until they receive their license in August.

"The license costs \$1,000 to get so students invest a lot of time and money into this," Hagan said.

The dental graduates are well - prepared when they leave LCC, because of their practice at the Dental Clinic here. The clinic provides needed service to both students and the low-income public. "We are very proud of our students," Hagan said.

For more information on the nursing program see [www.lanecc.edu/nursing](http://www.lanecc.edu/nursing) and for more information on the Dental Hygiene program see [www.lanecc.edu/dental/dh.htm](http://www.lanecc.edu/dental/dh.htm).

## Classifieds

### Events

Bible Study & Prayer Group • Come join us Thursdays in the NE cafeteria (by the coffee shop) at noon! E-mail [BrokNB4God@aol.com](mailto:BrokNB4God@aol.com) for more information.

World Religions Study • Intrigued? It's a Christian study of world religions Tuesdays at noon. (Conference room A, Building 1.) E-mail [BrokNB4God@aol.com](mailto:BrokNB4God@aol.com) or [regeneration357@yahoo.com](mailto:regeneration357@yahoo.com).

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### Education

Offered this Summer • J134 Photojournalism • Eight-Week Session — June 26 to August 19 • 12205 M & W 9:00am-10:50am • 3 Credit Hours, Prerequisite: Photography I • This course is designed to work within the field of content. Content within the work is not only the first step in good art-making. Within this course, we will explore how you see an image, how you choose to share that image with those around you and the message that your images carry. We will also be studying the history of photojournalism and the cross over from documentary photography to the world of art.

### Messages

Many tutors are available through Wednesday of finals week. Tutor Central (CEN 210) has a list of locations.

Thank you for all the learning experience and laughs, Torch. I'll miss you nuts. Krystle

I want to let my son Jasen Szczepaniak know how proud I am for graduating LCC. Love Mom

Frank - We miss you. It's not the same around here without you.

Chris Ross — Thanks for doing the t-shirts.

### Other

Aikido — The peaceful martial art. Amazon Community Center classes. Call 935-8655.

### Volunteer

Share Our Vision of a World Without Violence. Volunteer with Sexual Assault Support Services. Enhance your skills and make a difference! Next volunteer training begins July 11th (evenings). Included: Dynamics of Sexual Violence, Crisis Assessment, Supportive Communication Skills, Anti-Oppression, Child Sexual Abuse, and Legal/Medical Issues. Call 484-9791 x306 for registration information.

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# Reading Together seeks connection theme

*Books for 2006-07  
have been chosen*

DEJAH MCDOUGALL  
A&E ASSISTANT EDITOR

Books for the 2006-07 Reading Together project were announced recently, marking the program's third year at LCC.

The Reading Together project was designed as a way to create unity at LCC through learning. In the program, two books are selected for the year and then taught throughout various departments, especially the writing and literature department.

The program is trying to get away from the idea that community colleges are fragmented due to students who commute to and from campus and usually fit work and family in between classes. It is hoped that Reading Together will bring a theme to the campus that makes students feel more connected to each other.

"The books always have a connection with our core values (as a college) ... It's a way that there's something that is a centralizing project," Reading Together project Coordinator Ellen Cantor said.

Next year's book selections are based on the theme "Navigating the Changing Terrain," and include the books "The Man Made of Words" by N. Scott Momaday and "Buffalo for the Broken Heart: Restor-

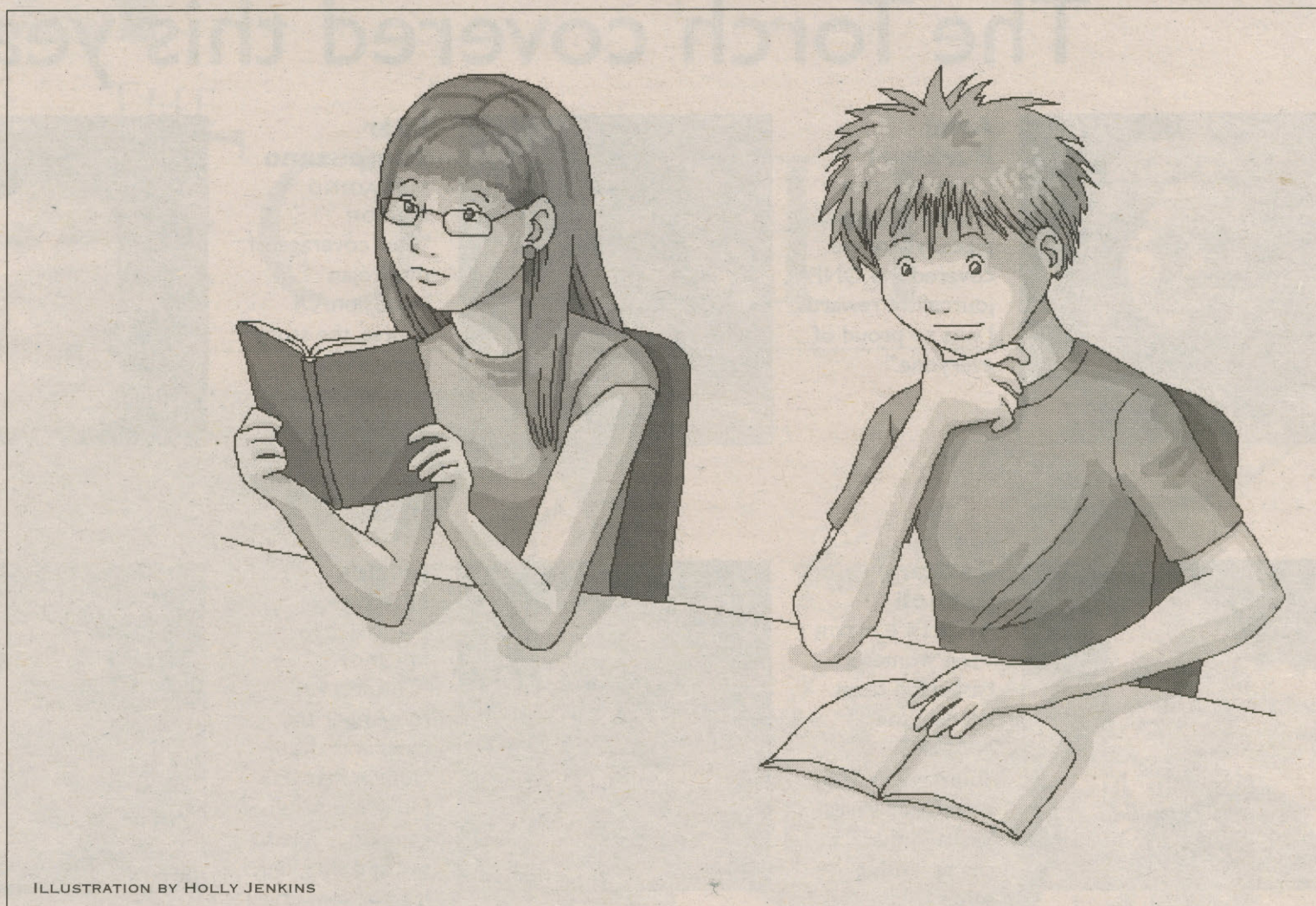


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ing Life to a Black Hills Ranch" by Dan O'Brien.

The theme was chosen in response to changes occurring on campus such as budget cuts.

"It's really trying to pull together a lot of what's happening at the college itself," Can-

tor said. "Both of the books are looking at what it takes to go through those profound changes, whether it be people's (changes) or institution's."

The Reading Together Steering Committee selects the books. E-mails go out to students and faculty for feed-

back so the whole college is involved in the selection process. Criteria includes: quality of writing, general appeal, accessibility, relevance to LCC's core values, reasonable length, author availability and relevance to LCC students.

Anyone can get involved

in the project; whether it is through attending events, taking classes that offer Reading Together books, or simply picking up the book at the LCC Bookstore and reading it. Both books for next year are sold at the Bookstore at a 10 percent discount.

## **SEX-ED** from page 2: Faith-based ignorance promoted with tax dollars

of teen pregnancy in the developed world. And our fastest growing HIV population is none other than those naughty, naughty teens.

Wisconsin's tax-supported dissemination of religious morality is only a small part of a national trend. The frighteningly religious Bush administration has allocated almost \$900 million over the past five years to keep American teens from scoring. (And you thought it was just your lack of social skills, eh?).

According to the Washington Post, not only were these dollars going to fund programs that spread false propaganda to vulnerable minds — that condoms fail 31 percent of the time, that HIV can be spread via sweat and tears — but that the programs tended to be egregiously ineffective. A study from Columbia University found that 88 percent of those who took abstinence pledges had premarital sex anyway.

The remaining 12 percent probably never stood a chance.

The religious nature of abstinence-only sex education should be apparent from the type of organization receiving federal

funding for it. Getting tax dollars to promote the idea of waiting for sex, until your relationship bears that socio-religious stamp of approval known as marriage, are people from groups like Community Christian Concern, Christian Counseling Center (those are in Louisiana), or for another example, the Catholic dioceses of Helena (Montana).

Look, I'm not saying that religions can't try to sell their favorite repressions to the public. They've got a constitutional right to try to tell the rest of us about their personal notions. However, they don't deserve tax dollars for it. If someone wants to spread ideas like abstinence or repressing your sexuality until marriage, then that's why God invented church gatherings or shouting at people on street corners. That way the rest of us can watch from a safe distance, pointing and laughing.

Now, maybe it's just my own sad excuse for high school memories, but wasn't it tough enough getting laid as a teen without a bunch of pushy religious cranks trying to convince the people around you to say

"no" even more?

Sad as it sounds, most teens actually aren't having that much sex. According to The Heritage Foundation, only 48 percent of American teens are getting lucky. And in WAIY's state of Wisconsin it's even worse; in 2005 the state health department reported that only 40 percent of the state's teens weren't virgins.

If we wanted to be mature, healthy and compassionate about the issue, we'd train teenagers in the proper usage of birth control and then assign them sexual partners as they hit puberty. God knows that having a guaranteed lay would make junior high and high school a lot easier to handle. It would go quite a ways toward decreasing the stress factor, at least.

However, one shouldn't really expect such rational responses from the puritans in the abstinence-only movement. Educating kids rather than psychologically castrating them wouldn't handle that haunting fear that troubles those prudish adults: that, as H.L. Mencken once phrased it, "someone somewhere might be having a good time."

## Upcoming Events

### MUSIC

#### Jazz Combos

Friday, June 9

7:30 p.m.

LCC Main Campus

Building 6, Blue Door Theatre

### PARTY

#### Lit Nerds and English majors annual potluck and party

Friday, June 9

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June 14 and 15

4 p.m.

LCC Main Campus

Building 6, Blue Door Theatre

### ART

#### Media Arts Student Showcase

Thursday, June 15

6-8 p.m.

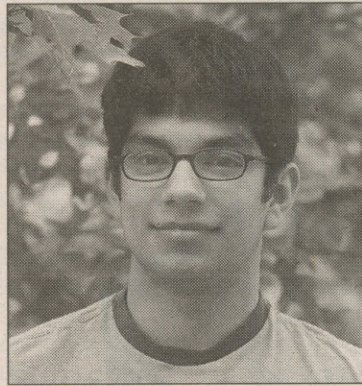
LCC Main Campus

Building 17, Room 111

## What was the most memorable event The Torch covered this year?



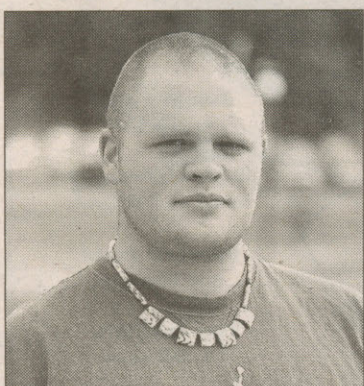
**Ariel Burkhardt**  
COPY EDITOR  
"I liked our small piece where we covered the ONPA journalism rewards. I was so proud of everyone."



**Eder Campuzano**  
MANAGING EDITOR  
"Our coverage of the Trojan implosion. Of course, the story came from second-hand sources, but the photos were amazing. Atta boy, Michael."



**Peggy Green**  
NEWS EDITOR  
"The \$6 million budget deficit that just suddenly showed up one fine December day. Oops! How'd you like to tell that one to your boss. That's huge, and next year will be worse."



**Zackary Pacholl**  
SPORTS EDITOR  
"The women's basketball team winning the NWAACC Tournament. They dominated Walla Walla in the championship game."



**Jessica Plotner**  
PRODUCTION MANAGER  
"The story I remember the most was the woman that was found a mile off of campus. It was so sad and shocking. It's not something you like to hear about in the news."



**Michael Brinkerhoff**  
PHOTO EDITOR  
"Taking the photos of the Trojan implosion. It was just unreal to be there and see it with my own eyes."

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### Spring Term Final Examination Schedule

For the week of June 12-17

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

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1:00 p.m. or 1:30 p.m.	W	12:00-1:50 p.m.
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3:00 p.m. or 3:30 p.m.	W	2:00-3:50 p.m.
4:00 p.m. or 4:30 p.m.	M	4:00-5:50 p.m.
5:00 p.m.	W	4:00-5:50 p.m.

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