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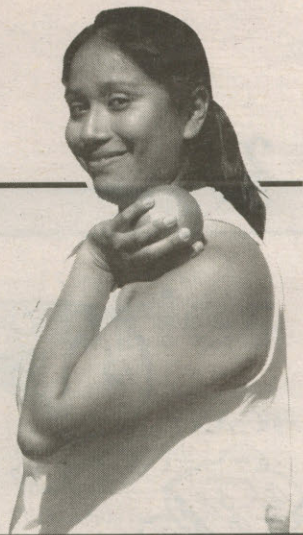
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Instructor Beverly Reed and her students at LCC's Cottage Grove campus participate in International Tai Chi and Qigong ("chee-gong") Day, Starting at 10 a.m. in over 60 countries, 6 continents, and is on the last Saturday of April every year since 1999.

Demonstrations at Coiner Park, Cottage Grove, included Yang style Tai Chi and Chen style sword and spear. There were also free classes in Yin Yang Medical Qigong and Yang style Tai Chi.

International Tai-Chi and Qigong Day celebrated



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New Campus Organizer takes helm of OSPIRG

Nanci Jo Isham
TORCH REPORTER

The LCC chapter of OSPIRG has a new Campus Organizer. Colleen Kimball replaced outgoing organizer Anne Guthrie.

Kimball is a recent graduate of New Hampshire's Keene State College where she majored in communications.

Kimball assumed the OSPIRG organizer position in early April. Her primary duty is to help student interns run a number of different campaigns where they gain organizing and activism experience.

"What attracted me to them (OSPIRG), was that they do a lot of important work on issues that I feel very passionate about," Kimball said. "Not only do they raise awareness and educate people, but they do things about it. They get solutions, they get people involved and it's really fun."

Oregon's Student Public Interest Research Group is a non-



PHOTO BY NANCY JO ISHAM

New OSPIRG Campus Organizer Colleen Kimball advises student interns running campaigns for the environment, hunger and homelessness and lower textbook prices.

profit organization that brings awareness to environmental and humanitarian issues with a focus on implementing solutions in local areas.

Currently OSPIRG has several

active campaigns at LCC.

The Campus Climate Challenge aims to educate and initiate solutions people can do in their every day life to reduce the

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Budget negotiations

The LCCEA union: contract negotiation agreed upon to save 15 staff layoffs

Sandy Wilcox
NEWS EDITOR

The Lane Community College Education Association faculty union has voted on, and ratified, a temporary one-year renegotiation of the LCCEA union contract. This is an alternative to the retrenchment of 15 contracted faculty members.

The proposed retrenchment of the 15 faculty members would have saved the college an estimated \$1,414,612, but the college would lose an estimated \$682,515 in student tuition for the fiscal year of 2008. Plus an estimated \$93,450 would be lost to unemployment costs.

This means that LCC would have only gained an estimated \$638,647, from over \$1.4 mil-

lion in cuts by retrenching the 15 contracted faculty members.

The alterations to the LCCEA union contract will allow LCC to save up to an estimated \$829,867, almost \$200,000 more than what would be saved with the retrenchment of the 15 contracted faculty members.

It would also keep the estimated \$682,515 that would have been lost in student tuition had the college continued on with the proposed retrenchments.

The alterations to the LCCEA contract will only last one year. After one year, the LCCEA will be able to renegotiate the contract as they see fit,

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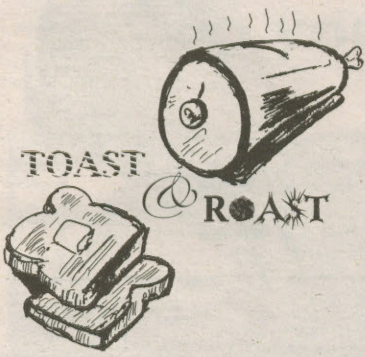
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The Torch has been awarded first place in the Oregon Newspaper Publishers Association's General Excellence category for community college weeklies for 2004 and 2005. Second place 2006.



Toast and Roast is written by the members of The Torch editorial board. It's a compilation of things that are commendable (toasts) and thing that are condemnable (roasts).

Toast: To Governor Kulongoski and his wife for spending \$9 a day on food for a week to highlight the plight of Oregon's poorest citizens who subsist on food stamps.

Roast: To President Bush for vetoing Congresses \$124 billion war funding bill that set a deadline for U.S. troop withdrawal. Uncurious George can't veto an impeachment vote.

Toast: To LCC's faculty for approving a proposal that cuts faculty benefits but negated the layoff of 15 faculty members.

Roast: To the Army for not allowing folk singer Joan Baez to perform at Walter Reed Army Medical Center because of her opposition to the Vietnam War in the 1960's. Has the enlistment oath been changed to say we only defend the constitutional rights of those who agree with the government?

Toast: To the Canadian university that designed a video game to introduce children to Shakespeare.

Toast: To Alaskan Natives for agreeing to cancel their annual beluga whale hunt because the whales are threatened by declining numbers.

Roast: To Alec Baldwin for leaving a voicemail on his 11-year-old daughter's cell phone calling her a "thoughtless little pig." There's a thoughtless pig involved here but it isn't the daughter.

Roast: To Britney Spears for performing for the first time in three years. Please, just go away already.

Public Safety officers, underfunded and unarmed

The article in the April 26 issue of the Torch addressing security on campus has caused me to take time as a taxpayer, father of a former student, a LCC Public Safety Officer and a firm believer in the First Amendment to address some issues not covered by the reporter.

The director gave the standard answers to the standard questions, however, after the tragedy of Virginia Tech I believe a more in-depth study should be done. Questions need to be asked of the administration and Board of Education concerning the college's actual commitment to student and staff safety and security.

Here are some facts that should cause student and staff to question the college administration's sincerity when providing you a safe work and learning environment.

According to the online budget documents, the college has an operating budget of \$76.7 million, of that only \$763,404 or approximately one percent is allotted to Public Safety. That means for every \$70,000 the college spends, \$1 goes to your safety and security.

If the Virginia Tech shooter killed 29 people, including himself, in nine minutes, how bad could it get if it takes the sheriff's department a minimum of 15 minutes to respond as stated in the article?

HYNIX Corporation has 95 close circuit cameras in its completely fenced in compound in Eugene. LCC has a total of six, only four actually on campus.

Based on the national average of 1.5 officers to 1,000 persons, LCC should have 22.5 officers. Public Safety has seven officers assigned to main campus for 24 hours a day, seven days a week coverage. The college has also entertained the thought of outsourcing the Public Safety Department to a private contract security company, much the same as you find at Valley River, Gateway, and LTD.

The director says that Public Safety Officers will monitor the situation until law enforcement arrives, assist students and staff, and provide the campus knowledge, acting as an information source. But department policy says that officers will not put themselves in a dangerous situation. This is a Catch-22 for the officers, if we assist people and are injured then

the college does not have to pay for any medical bills because we violated department policy, but if we do not assist others even in the face of danger we can be fired for not doing our job.

In regards to not arming the officers, a year ago I would have agreed with that. But every day we read or hear of the budget problems facing the Lane County Sheriff's

Office and the Oregon State Police. The sheriff's department is under funded and understaffed, but must still provide patrol services over a jurisdiction of 4,620 square miles, an area even larger than the states of Rhode Island and Delaware combined.

The Oregon State Police have less staffing than the sheriff's department. Response to calls for assistance from either agency to the college is normally 30 to 40 minutes for non life-threatening incidents.

The seven main campus officers come from varied backgrounds with over 120 accumulative years in law enforcement. Our officers have served with the Lane County Sheriff's Office, Junction City Police, Cottage Grove Police, San Diego County Sheriff's Department and military police organizations. All have extensive training in firearms and the use of force. Five have concealed weapons permits issued by the sheriff's office; the other two are qualified to obtain theirs. It is amazing that the State of Oregon finds us qualified to carry a weapon off duty to protect ourselves, but the college administration does not want us to carry one on duty to protect students and staff.

Officers carry only batons, pepper spray and handcuffs. These tools are used to protect the officer, not others. They were issued, one at a time, only after specific incidents that could have resulted in serious injury or death to an officer.

The administration prefers officers to act as "professional witnesses" based on the restrictions they put on what the officers can and cannot do, the amount of training they provide the department and the reduction of Public Safety funds and staffing. If they expect officers to assist students and staff during a shooting incident armed only with a stick, they are living in a universe other than mine.

The director's statement "a

whole culture in Eugene doesn't want people walking around with guns strapped to their hips" speaks volumes. The administration is more concerned with public image than student and staff safety. Contrary to some opinions, LCC is not a prep school for the University of Oregon nor is it in the city limits of Eugene. It needs to stand on its own and not be influenced by Eugene. Students come from all over Lane, Linn, Benton, and Douglas Counties.

Many hold full-time jobs and pay income taxes that support this organization and are entitled to the best security and safety possible. The theories that "if we don't know about it, then it must not be a problem" and "historically it hasn't been a problem" have to change, or will it take a Thurston or Virginia Tech incident at LCC to force a change?

As far as liability issues, what will have to happen that will convince the administration that funds spent on training and arming officers will be far less in the long run than the damages awarded as the result of a wrongful death or failure to provide adequate security civil suit?

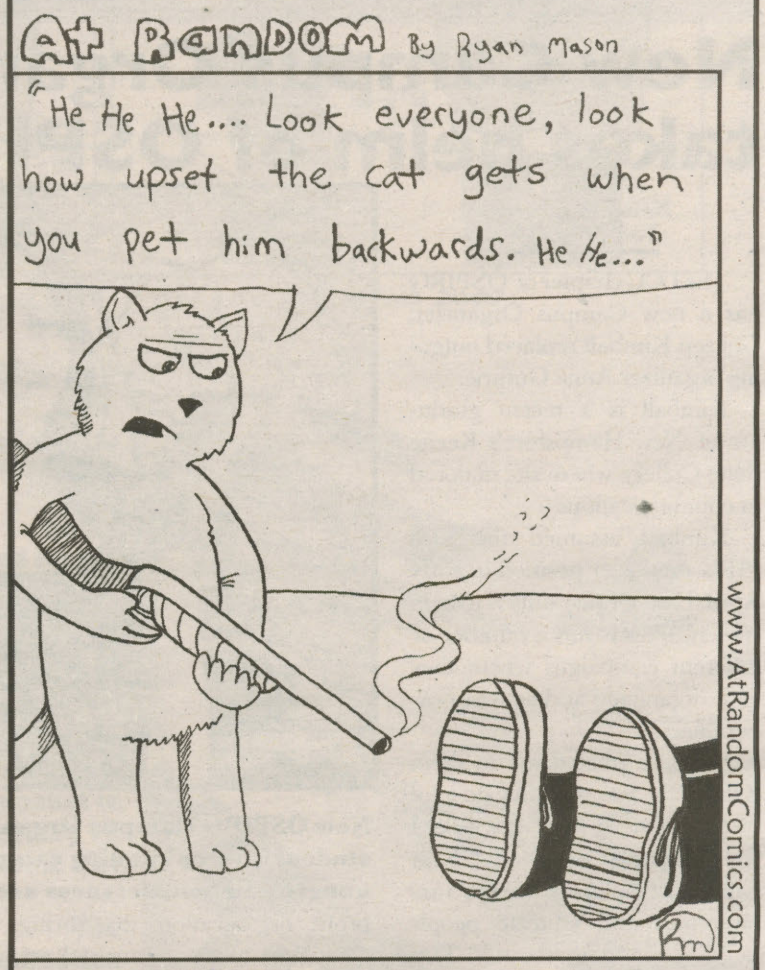
Officers of the department have responded to robberies, stalking complaints, restraining order violations, car thefts, suicidal persons, drugs on campus, burglaries and domestic disputes.

If you look at the college's emergency plans, it is apparent that the administration's attitude is reactive, not proactive. All actions are geared for after an incident happens, nothing is done to keep one from occurring. I encourage you to walk around the campus and take a long look at the facilities, there are cracks in buildings, fronts of building are actually rotting away, doors won't lock properly and if you are on campus at night, well we know what the lighting situation is like on campus.

Building maintenance funds have been continually diverted and returned to the general fund for use on the administration's pet projects.

The officers whom I work with are professionals who have the training and have demonstrated their willingness to place themselves in danger when all others are evacuating. I believe that I can speak for the other officers when I say that the worst scenario we can think of is to have an incident occur on campus that we have to stand by watching students and staff be injured or die waiting for outside help.

All because the Board of Education and the college administration are unwilling to staff or fund the department for training and equipment necessary to protect lives.



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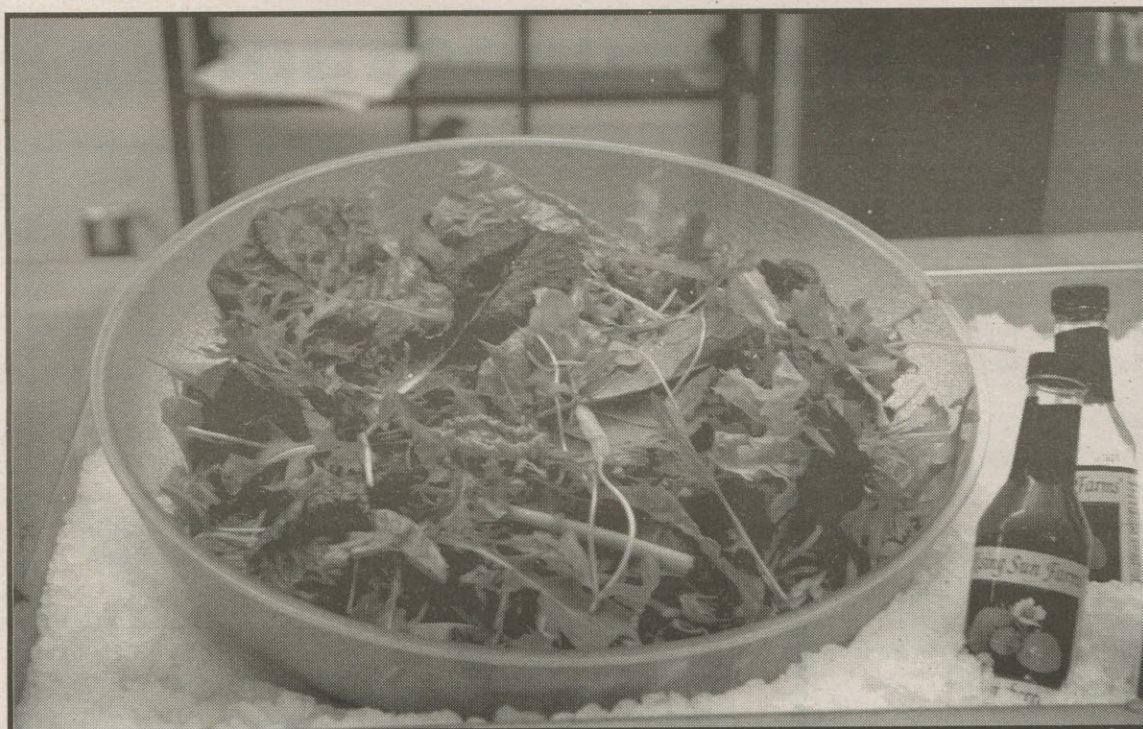


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Organic produce sustains garden LCC harvested salad greens, sold in cafeteria

Ariel Burkhardt
MANAGING EDITOR

With sustainability in mind, LCC harvested its first crop of salad greens from the LCC garden April 19.

The next day, the organic and locally grown salad mix was served to students in the cafeteria. Proceeds went back into helping fund the garden.

The LCC garden is tied in with the sustainabil-

ity program and the food service program. Most of the plants and starts were donated by Food For Lane County and it's mostly students who plant and harvest the garden, Brendan Lynch, the manager of the garden, said. During the serving hours, Lynch offered information and answered questions from students who bought the salad. Students have used the garden in their sustainability programs for credit hours or they have volunteered to help with the process.

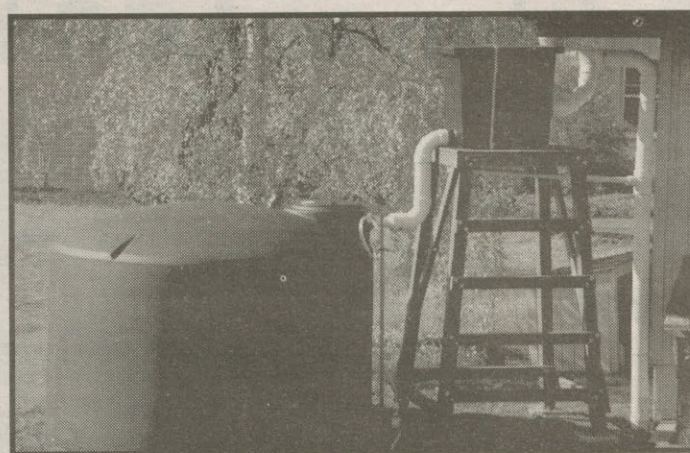


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Recycling program reduces ecological impact and teaches sustainability

Rainwater collected teaches students about water recycling

Willa Bauman
TORCH REPORTER

The rainwater recycling facility, currently located behind Building 20 at Lane Community College, will be moved to the Native American Longhouse that is currently under construction on its campus.

Jennifer Hayward, who is involved in the project, said Building 20 would have to be torn down soon. "Building 20 was found to have a problem with water infiltration into the ventilation system. Mold grew in the system and the college determined that the building is not appropriate to house staff," she said. "Building 20 is going to be deconstructed and recycled."

Hayward said rainwater is harvested through pipes from the roof, which is connected to a 1,500-gallon collection

tank. Currently used to teach LCC students about rainwater harvesting, Hayward said she hopes the rainwater recycling facility will have greater potential at its new home. "I hope that it can begin being used for demonstration purposes and for irrigation. Current plans are to use water stored in the tank for a water feature."

"Pipes connect the collection tank to the roof gutters," Hayward said. "The tank is 1,500 gallons."

The rainwater recycling facility is part of an increased effort by LCC to reduce its ecological impact by practicing sustainability. These practices, in addition to water conservation, include energy management, green building and maintenance practices and recycling and waste management.

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meaning that these union-benefit cuts are only a temporary solution to the retrenchment issue, an issue that the college could face in the 2009 fiscal year.

"This isn't the end of the budget process this is just one component. This was just dealing with retrenchments. There are a lot of elements in the college proposals to balance the budget, which will also be very unpopular, and will have a heavy impact on the college and the review and engagement of those proposals is just beginning," said Jim Salt, the LCCEA faculty union president.

According to the LCCEA and college Tentative Agreement, April 27, 2007 the LCCEA agrees to develop a proposal that will provide cost savings -- including some combination of work year reduction.

Other reductions could include a cost of living adjustment reduction, partial postponement of steps, benefit revisions, net savings from unpaid faculty leaves, additional faculty vacancies and productivity increases for the 2008 fiscal year.

In response to what his thoughts were on the LCCEA union agreement with the col-

lege, Bob Baldwin, the Lane Community College Education Federation classified union president said, "It's a lot less than the classified have already given up, in terms of last years cuts when we took 35 layoffs. It seems the faculty are getting off a little light here, just in terms of any shared sacrifice model."

"This seems, from what I've read, to be relatively painless. Jim Salt's been pretty clear this has no impact on instructional productivity, that this has no impact on next year. So this just moves the budget problem forward one year," Baldwin said.

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effects of global warming. The Sustaina-Palooza on June 7 is a solar powered concert utilizing EWEB's Solar-Rover. The event will include speakers, bands and information tables and it will be held in Bristow Square, between the Center Building and the Performing Arts Building. The focus of this event is to unite the LCC community in sustainability efforts, Kimball said.

The Hunger and Homelessness Campaign will have a bake sale on May 10 and 17 to benefit Lane Shelter Care, a local night

shelter program administered by the St. Vincent DePaul Society. Kimball said OSPIRG also hopes to have a 'sleep out' rally in downtown Eugene to bring awareness to the issue of increasing poverty and homelessness in Lane County.

The "Keep Oregon Wild Campaign" helps to protect wilderness areas and endangered species. On May 12, OSPIRG will host a hiking day trip to Mount Hardisty, about 30 miles from LCC, to introduce people to the natural splendor of the area and to pro-

mote its preservation.

The Make Text-books More Affordable Campaign works to implement ideas to reduce the cost of textbooks by presenting alternatives to purchasing. By the end of Spring term OSPIRG plans to collect 200 used textbooks to donate to the library reserves. Students would then be able to check out required books rather than buy them.

More information on OSPIRG campaigns and student internships are available from Kimball at 541-463-5166.

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Tuition at LCC is just shy of quadrupling

Seventeen years after Measure 5 passed, students are paying the price

Heather Cyrus
TORCH REPORTER

Tuition at Lane Community College has increased more than four hundred percent in the last 20 years, according to a study of class catalogues during that time frame. Even when prices are adjusted for inflation, the increase is still substantial.

According to LCC records, tuition in 1986 cost \$17.42 per credit hour compared to the \$69.50 students are currently paying. That is an increase of \$52.08 per credit hour.

In addition, students enrolled in the 1985-1986 school year had a cap put on their tuition. If a student took 12 credits or more, they would only pay \$209 for the term, or \$351 in today's money, accounting for inflation. This option was available to students until the 1992-1993 school year. Per credit hour tuition has been applied since.

"I remember in the '80s when tuition was \$276 for 12 credits over and above. It was a lump sum for a full-time student," said Donna Zmolek, who graduated in 1988 with an associates degree from LCC.

Zmolek now works at the president's office reception desk at LCC. "It didn't feel like a lot at the time, I paid as I went, worked 30 hour weeks, never had to get financial aid and it was really doable," she said. "I don't know how people do it today."

"I've accrued a significant amount of loans, and I'll be in debt for a long time," said Lanie Grace about how tuition impacts on her life. Grace has been a student attending LCC off-and-on for the last 10 years. "Ten years ago I was able to survive on a lot less," she said.

"It's a shame we (students) have to go through all this in order to attain a higher education degree. And some people feel they can't even go to school because they fear the expense and debt."

It's not only tuition costs that students feel the impact of in their pocket books; the price of many things have raised. "What financial aid figures, on our survival need, isn't always realistic."

The cost of housing, books, everything has gone up," Grace said. Grace has a five-year-old daughter named Birdie, and feels lucky to have her mom close by to help

with day care. "I can't afford to have her go to the childcare center on campus. It's so expensive, even with assistance I can't afford it," Grace said.

Tuition is not the only item that LCC has raised the price. In 1986, student fees were \$30 per term and included insurance. During the 1986-1987 school year insurance became optional and student fees went down to \$15-35 per term. In today's money, taking inflation into account, this would be \$25-59. This price stayed constant for 16 years.

Then, in 2003-2004, prices jumped and today students pay \$101.20 per term for student fees.

According to LCC Economy Professor, Phillip Martinez, there are two main reasons tuition has increased in the past 20 years. "It's basically a two-step problem," Martinez said. "Voters passed Measure 5 that put a cap on property taxes; secondly the issues of funds being reallocated between school districts within the state."

Partly inspired by Proposition 13 in California, Oregon voters passed Measure 5 in 1990, placing limits on property tax into the Oregon Constitution. "Since this (property tax revenue) was always the primary funding, we found community colleges in very different economic environments," Martinez said.

Tuition prices sky-rocket

1985-1986

\$19.00
PER CREDIT HOUR

\$30.00
STUDENT FEES

\$239.00 PER FULL
TIME STUDENT

2006-2007

\$69.50
PER CREDIT HOUR

\$101.20
STUDENT FEES

\$935.20 PER FULL
TIME STUDENT

GRAPH BY DANIEL BARTON

Looking at tuition prices during this time, the price was \$24 per credit hour during the 1989-1990 school year, and actually decreased to \$23 through 1993. However, beginning in the 1992-1993 school year students were required to pay for every credit hour, but the price remained \$23 per credit.

Tuition increased steadily from that point on. The largest came during 2002-2003, when students paid \$43 per credit hour and the following year it jumped to \$63.

"Property tax revenue no longer supported community colleges dominantly, so the state had to take over responsibility. Everybody was hurt because they could no longer depend on local taxes," Martinez said.

According to Martinez, the state had to come up with funding without adding taxes, causing the state to absorb the lost money. Secondly, the state had to deal with equity and fairness issues. "Based on property value, there was a certain amount of balance ... didn't have to worry about being fair," Martinez said. After Measure 5 passed, every school in the state would receive an equal amount of money based on student ratios.

Martinez feels that Americans in general have vastly changed their views toward

taxes. In the past, Americans were proud to pay taxes and considered it their patriotic duty. But over the past several decades citizens have become more cynical.

"People don't really understand the system. Since the '80s, Proposition 13, and the tax revolt movement in the U.S., there has been a strong manipulation of tax issues and Americans feel all taxes are bad. People are being irrational and more hostile toward tax measures," Martinez said.

A recent tax measure on the fall 2006 ballot for additional funds to go toward LCC did not pass. This was the first time in LCC's history to fail at receiving additional funds. The result may be the planned \$3 increase in tuition per credit hour beginning in fall 2007. "This is the first time that an automatic increase, to reflect inflation, will occur," Martinez said. This is planned to continue through the coming years.

"It's unfortunate we have a society and government that doesn't value education. It's not just higher education, but all the grade levels that are suffering," Grace said.

"My whole basic outlook on my going to school is: I have to go to school, I have to attain my degree. This is a matter of being able to survive in the future; I have to do what I have to do. My goal is to apply for a good scholarship and get it," Grace said.

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Telephone Solicitor (Job ID 492533)

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Advertise with the Torch. LCC students can place a free ad, 20 words or less, in the Torch's classifieds section. To place an ad contact Torch Ads at 463-5654 or e-mail torchads@lanec.edu.

Events

LCC's "2007 Juried Student Art Show" will be held May 7 through May 24 at the LCC Art Gallery in Bldg 11. The deadline for submissions to the Juried Art Show is Wed, May 2 at 5 p.m. Only currently enrolled students at Lane are eligible for submissions to the art show, all submissions must be ready for display and there is a maximum of two submissions per person.

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LCC minister finds connections with students

Evangelist encourages spiritual journeys with group members, staff and students through bible study

Phil Getty
TORCH REPORTER

If we didn't know better, we might think he was just another quiet student wandering around campus handing out water. He is happy doing his part to make sure the basketball team is hydrated, giving them Gatorade after the big game.

Ryan Moore, busy father of three and happily married, is something more than a nice face promoting hydration. He is the campus minister with Northwest Collegiate Ministries assigned to the University of Oregon and Lane Community College. Moore is a paid employee of the North West Baptist Convention, a large evangelical group with missions

in over 12,000 locations.

Moore graduated from East Missouri State University with a degree in geological education. He also has a master's degree from the Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary located in Vancouver, Wash.

With all his accomplishments, Moore, the simple instructor of racquetball at the UO, describes himself as an "approachable evangelist." And he is an evangelist, but not "one of those preaching on the corner types," as he calls some of the more radical members of his sect.

Instead, the NCM describe themselves as a grassroots movement on campuses for Jesus Christ that evangelize to their

friends, encourage each other in their spiritual journey and impact their world in order that they may ultimately glorify their God in all that they do.

Their purpose or "vision" is to connect with students and grow with them so they may become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.

"We have a community and community colleges sometimes lack community," said Lauren Hawks, the only attending member of the NCM at Thursday's bible study when asked about what was best about the NCM.

The members would like to expand that community. They may lack ranks among the halls of LCC, but they claim they have



PHOTO BY MOY MACGILL

Ryan Moore, an Evangelist minister on LCC campus talks to Bible study students about their paths through God.

true grit. Members said they are determined to live their lives for Jesus, and they hope more will follow.

The NCM group at LCC meets on Thursdays between 12 noon and 1 p.m. in building 16, room 216.

Wide range of services available to military veterans in Lane County

Vets and service members find aid at LCC

Isaac Viel
TORCH REPORTER

At Lane Community College, the first stop for many veterans is Veteran Specialist Ellen Jones. Jones is the only faculty at LCC with a Veterans Specialist title. Other faculty have chosen to take part in helping establish a new support group for vets at LCC.

Burt Logan, director of student financial services, and Michael Sumano, coordinator of ethnic studies, both veterans, are taking an active roll in the newly established group.

"I am honored to be part of it," Logan said.

Veterans can get help with financial aid and other services solely offered to veterans and service members.

Lane County, or Oregon for that matter, does not have a military base. It does, however, have veterans who have served their country and are now in need of help.

Lane County has many services for vets who have served in the Army, Air Force, Marine Corps, Navy, Coast Guard and reserve components.

Services offered through county, state and federal departments include providing help finding jobs, financial aid for school, health care and even home loans.

One site that vets in Oregon are recommended to visit is the Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs' Web site located at: www.oregon.gov/ODVA/.

The ODVA, which has been serving Oregon veterans since 1945, is a starting place for vets

and lists many services and agencies.

There are also agencies specializing in helping vets cope with the stress from combat and returning to civilian life.

At the Eugene Vet Center, the specialty is treating combat stress. Veterans can get individual or group counseling for marital, post traumatic stress disorder, sexual trauma and bereavement problems that stem from military service and the transformation to civilian life.

Mike Smith, office manager for the Eugene Veteran Center and 10-year veteran of the Air Force, said several agencies offer services to local veterans.

Smith and his group of counselors can also help vets with issues such as medical referrals, applying for VA benefits and drug and alcohol assessments.

With seven work-studies from LCC in their office, all of whom are veterans, this one agency is a great asset to student vets returning from combat, Smith said. "I love our work-studies, they do a great job," Smith said.

The Vet Center also offers employment guidance once a week, on Thursdays, by David Heavirland, disabled veterans' outreach program specialist, from the Veterans' Program at the Oregon Employment office in Eugene.

The Veterans program helps to meet the employment and training needs of veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces, including service-connected disabled veterans, according to the Veteran Services portion of the Oregon.gov Web-

site.

Heavirland and Smith said agencies within Lane County work closely together to help veterans get what they are looking for, even if they have come to the wrong place. "They (veterans) come to us looking for a job but have questions about health care," Heavirland said.

All of the agencies working together can direct veterans to the agency best suited to helping them. If someone shows up or calls the wrong department, that person will still be able to find what they need directly or through a referral.

Jones' office is located in Building 1, Room 207 in the Veteran Services office.

Veterans Services

Lane County Veterans Service Office
165 E 7th Suite 200 Eugene, OR 97401
541-682-4191

VA Medical Clinic
100 River Ave. Eugene, OR 97404
541-607-7450

Vet Center
1255 Pearl St. Eugene, OR 97401
541-465-6918

Oregon Employment Office
2510 Oakmont Way Eugene, OR 97401
541-686-7751 x7684

LCC Veterans Affairs
Main Campus Building 1 Rm 207
541-463-5663

Please vote for:

Stefan Ostrach for LCC Board (Zone 2)
Education for Good Jobs and Stronger Communities



Stefan with his wife, daughter, stepson, and two daughters-in-law — all of whom have attended LCC

Stefan Ostrach will

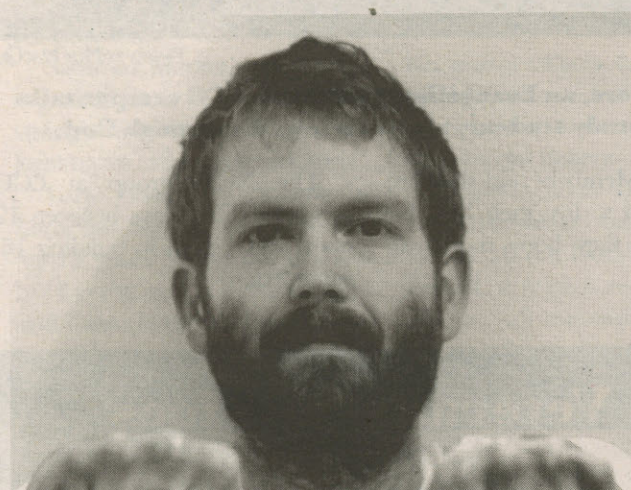
- Push for more state and federal revenue
- Support career and technical programs
- Oppose general tuition increases
- Support good wages, benefits, and working conditions for college staff

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President and Vice President Candidates**Daniel B. Dawson • President****Colleen Sly • President****Caryle (Carol) Tylerkays • President****Max McNally • Vice President****Samuel Burchell • Vice President****Judy Keenan • Vice President****Financial Aid Reform**

The current system of student aid disbursement is in need of repair. First, funds need to be available earlier. Most schools are able to disburse funds by the first day of the term, which allows students to start the quarter prepared, with supplies in hand, ready to learn. Lane needs to get on board with that idea. Secondly, we need to implement a direct deposit option to allow money to be in students' hands easier and with less hassle. The proposed debit card system might be a viable option for some, but students who don't want to pay the fees and penalties involved should still be able to get their money immediately.

Dental Plan

As a student senator this year, Dan has been working on getting an optional dental plan instituted. We will continue to move forward on this, and hope to have it fully available by the 2008-2009 school year.

College Unity and Health Insurance

We plan to work with the other Oregon Colleges (Community and State) to provide an optional student health insurance plan. By teaming up with other schools, we should be able to get a group rate that is more affordable for students. As tuition increases there needs to be more benefits for students, not less.

Colleen:

I would like to see the student government work towards uniting our campus. Because the issues we take on affect the student body in many ways, the students of Lane need to have a hand and a say in what we do. Our students are our greatest resource, and as their government, we should focus on ways to get them more involved in the changes they would like to see on campus. I also feel it is important to work closer with student groups on campus and the faculty, as well as to reach out to the greater Eugene community for support. After all, Lane Community College is an incredible resource and investment for our community. Through this, we can find alternate ways to deal with the budget crisis and education costs and better ways to support our students as they work their way through school. Furthermore, we should focus on expanding alternate transportation methods to make the campus more accessible and the parking situation less hectic. I look forward to seeing positive changes and great advancements in the 2007-2008 school year.

Samuel:

Lane Community College is a wonderful and beautiful school. We have great programs and classes, and enthusiastic teachers. However, there are many issues around this school that need help and/or involvement. Because of recent budget issues around this school, I really want to work on making this school sustainable. As my first order of business as student body Vice President, will be to survey our students and find out what is our most pressing issues here on campus. Whether it be transportation, sustainability, climate change, food choices, class sizes and/or choices, school activities, community involvement, parking, school garden/club involvement, lunchtime activities and U of O involvement. As soon as I find out what is most important to us students, I plan to work on them all year long. Since I've been a senator, I have gone to board meetings, rally events, lobby events, workshops and committee meetings. I haven't really seen many students at these events, even though they directly effect our education. I strongly believe as a student we have obligations and need to be active in our schools. No matter if I win or lose, I will still be involved and an active member of our student government in some way or shape.

Caryle:

Why vote for us? Both Judy and I have been very active members of the community before we came to Lane Community College to pursue our degrees. I started here in fall of 2005 as a true freshman to build the foundation to my Bachelor's Degree in Political Science. I have been active at our Board of Education meetings and I bring up items that relate to students at large as well as the future of this very college.

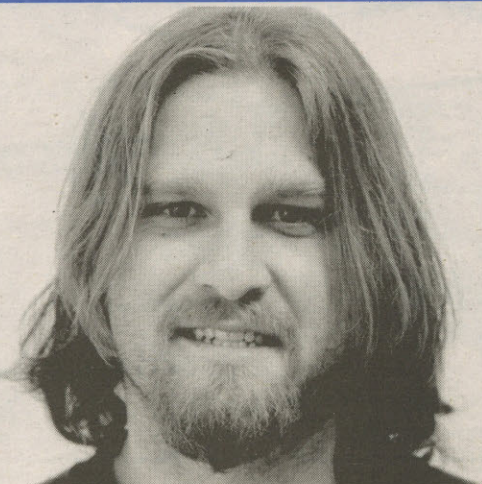
Now that our state legislator is going to an annual assembly, I feel that this is the best time for us students to make a difference. There are several areas in which we can pursue to once again keep our costs in balance and to receive the best education possible from Lane. I am not afraid of hard work and I do know the constraints that are placed on us as we achieve the educational goals that we have set for ourselves. My running mate and I are both single parents and we both have a full credit load, we have been successful at balancing these worlds and that is why we think (and know) that we will be very successful at assisting Lane and higher education to once again be a priority in funding from the state to the federal levels. As my ten year old daughter told me recently, "Sometimes we have to go through hardships before we reach our destination but it's even better than we ever imagined it would be."

Judy:

I am so excited to be on the ticket with Caryle because I see what is possible for us to do. I remember when I used to drive students to Lane Community College when I was a driver for LTD. I always wanted to be one of the people that I dropped off. Now, I am one of those students. I am going through the Women in Transition program and it has been very rewarding. Both Caryle and I know the advantages that we have seen by either being part of this program or the various learning communities that are offered here at Lane. I would recommend these learning communities to all of Lane's students because the rewards are many.

With the state legislator going to annual sessions we feel that this is the perfect time to have a great impact on funding for higher education. I am a single parent as well as a full time student and though not easy, I believe that we will be the best candidates for this coming school year. Both my running mate and I are very passionate about being here and helping to make it a place that you will remember fondly. We have the opportunity to do great things and that is why you should vote for the Caryle and Judy ticket.

Treasurer Candidate



Cody Anderson

I pledge that as ASLCC treasure I will conduct myself according to the interests of Lane students. With that said, I am dedicated to increasing accountability on the part of the student government with regards to equal opportunities for all group and clubs to have accesses to student funds. I will keep up to date records that not only focus on the budget but where the student government is spending money as well. I will create a monthly report to be made available to the students that outlines what the student government is spending YOUR money on and how it is improving campus life.

Thank You for Your Votes, and I look forward to having the opportunity to represent you.

Ballot measure

ASLCC Mandatory Student Activity Fee Ballot Proposal

"Shall the student activity fee be increased by \$0.50 in order to provide funding for the Theater Arts Department's Student Productions Association's continuous presentation of quality full-scale theatrical productions, Shakespeare Showcases and student-written/student-directed plays at Lane Community College?"

Explanation

At Lane Community College, Student Productions Association aims to keep performing arts alive—and accessible to students at a low-cost. This measure will allow S.P.A. to continue to fund full-scale plays and further explore proactive community outreach programs (such as S.P.A.'s association with Food For Lane County and Lane Memorial Blood Bank). Also, this measure will aid in advertising for Lane's theatrical presentations (increasing audience attendance, Theater Arts program recruitment and class enrollment). Moreover, for the benefit of our community and all students, production elements such as sets, costumes and properties will be greatly enhanced. Additionally, this measure will help fund the much-needed restoration of Lane's intimate Blue Door Theater (seats, carpet, curtains, lights, sound).

Voting is May 7, 8, 9 and is done online. Check the Lane Community College homepage for instructions.

Candidate forum will held on May 7 on north side of Center Building. Associated Students of Lane Community College will provide a free barbeque and candidates for ASLCC will be speaking.

Senator Candidates

Stephanie Baker

No comments available.

Trevor K. Ballard

I am a constitutional libertarian democratic socialist. What does that mean? It's a self-recognized identity, because as far as I know there is no such party. It describes my political philosophy. My personal motto is "Total liberty, save the liberty of the rest." Every individual should have the right to live their life as they see fit, so long as they do not infringe upon the liberties of others. A constitution can protect the individual's liberty as well as that of the rest. Democracy, in my opinion, is the best political model because it gives everyone a say in that which affects their lives. And socialism is about being responsible. The security of individual liberty depends on justice for all. It is justice for all. Injustice could be described as the infringement of ones liberty for another. You can lean more about me through www.myspace.com/trevorkiel. I have taken a vow of honesty in all I do. I will work for fairness for everyone regardless of my personal bias. I am a liberal and a conservative. I am a rational idealist. Vote for me, because I will vote for you.

Jacob Goodwin

I am interested in an ASLCC Senator position because, as a student, I want to learn more about how LCC functions. Also, I have been at Lane for more than a year and will be here for at least another year. With that experience I believe that I can help represent the student body with my presence in the ASLCC. Majoring in science, I have gained a deep interest in the concept and practice of sustainability and hope to become a working member of the LCC system.

Multicultural and Events Director Candidate



Leif Brecke

The pressing issues of our community include the rising price of tuition and textbooks, the gutting of student services, and the elimination of entire departments. As an ASLCC Student Senator, I have fought against corporate control of our financial aid disbursement and advocated a system of direct deposit. I will continue to advocate policies such as ASLCC's Book Consignment Program that helps to offset the skyrocketing costs of textbooks. I take a strong stand for individual liberty, social equality, and environmental sustainability. I will work hard to promote creative, exciting, and diverse events on campus that reflect these principles. My experience includes a background as Vice-Chair of the Bay Area Music and Arts Foundation, State Coordinator of the Pacific Green Party and ASLCC Student Senator. Visit my website at: myspace.com/leifbrecke.



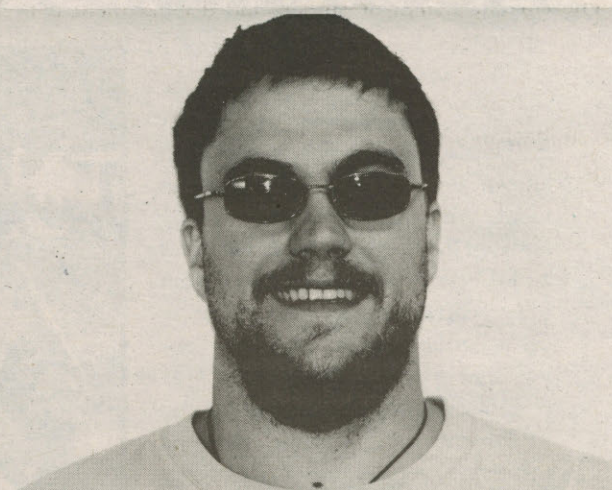
Eric Edmunds

I joined the ASLCC Senate during the spring term of '07. One thing I noticed is there is a disconnect between the student government and the students themselves. Many students have no idea what we do, what we are for, or that we even exist. I want to try to work with the future ASLCC President and Senators to try to get our faces out on campus more often where the students are so they can talk to us and tell us about their concerns. This would also allow the Student Government to keep you updated about what is happening on campus and in the State Capitol.

Monica Joseph

No comments available.

Write-in Senator Candidates



Toby Kubler

I am in my third term here at LCC and am entering the Energy Management / Renewable Energy Program next fall. I am humbly requesting your vote for ASLCC senate. If elected, I will bring passion, leadership, and accountability to the student senate.

My focus will be on increasing student involvement in advancing the core value of sustainability here at LCC. I will work cooperatively with all elements of the ASLCC to bring forth a creative dialogue that expresses accurately the collective goals of the student body. I will cultivate an open and effective communication between the students and their elected ASLCC representatives. If elected, I will be working for you, the students, making sure the diverse voices here at LCC get the representation they deserve.

Thank You,
Don't forget to vote!

Jonathan Morton

No comments available.

Food and fun, rain or shine

The Saturday Market has served the community for 37 years

Nicole Perkins
TORCH REPORTER

As flowers are budding and grass is turning green, regulars flock to the Eugene Saturday Market.

The founder of Saturday Market, Lotte Streisinger, was inspired by market plazas in Central America and European markets. The first Saturday Market was held on May 9, 1970. At the time there were 29 vendors. Currently the market has 300 members who sell each week – rain or shine.

Saturday Market, a non-profit organization, is dedicated to providing a low cost marketplace for local handcrafters and artisans.

Lara Howe, of Designs by Lara, has been a market vendor for 15 years. When asked about her favorite part of market, Howe said, “the people ... the community, there are too many things.”

Raven Moon of ShapeShifters has a similar opinion. “I love

the market, and as time goes on, I love it more and more.” This is Moon’s 22 year as a vendor, selling his gem-encrusted rattles. He got involved with Saturday Market after quitting his job at the post office. “I wanted a rattle so I made one for myself,” Moon said. “It came out really well and I kept making them from then on.”

In addition to the many craft vendors, there are 17 food booths in the International Food Court portion of the Market. There is a wide variety of food from pizza at Renaissance Pizza, to “hemp-fortified wholesome foods” at A Loving Spoonful, to dessert at Dana’s Cheesecake Bakery.

“I got to know Dana (of Dana’s Cheesecake) because I used to buy all the food,” said Chris Leland, a market regular. “They used to call me customer of the century. Now, I’m customer of the millennium.”

Leland has been “religiously”

attending Saturday Market since he moved to Eugene from Michigan in July 1984. “I came here and the people were so friendly and nice,” Leland said. “Everyone has a great attitude. I go through a withdrawal from January to April for food and crafts.”

There are six performances on stage throughout the day in the International Food Court. There are six different sets ranging from Invincible Vincent – “seriously funny magic” to Pojama People, a Frank Zappa tribute band. In addition to the main stage, many musicians “busk” around the blocks playing with an open case welcoming donations. Anyone can busk, but to play on the stage entertainers must send in a demo and schedule a performance time months in advance.

Handcrafters admitted into the market pay \$10 and 10 percent of sales for the weekly booth space. The main guideline of sell-

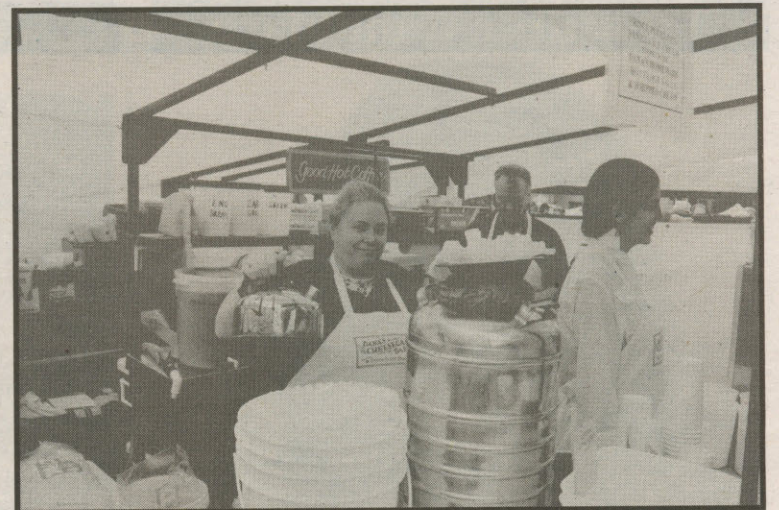


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Dana’s Cheesecake Bakery is just one of 300 vendors who sell food and handcrafted items at the Eugene Saturday Market.

ing at the market is that all products must be sold by the person who made them or their family members.

The Lane County Farmers’ Market also takes place on Saturdays across the street from Saturday Market. Though it began under the support of Saturday Market in 1979, it became independent in 1989. The Farmers’ Market is comprised of 160 growers and producers. In addition to

Saturdays, it is also held on Tuesdays in the same location from May 1 to Oct. 30 and Thursdays at the Lane County Fairgrounds from June 7 to Sept. 27.

The new season of Saturday Market began April 7 on the downtown park blocks of 8th and Oak. The market season runs from April to mid-November when Holiday Market takes over until Dec. 25 at the Lane County Fairgrounds.

Accordions Anonymous

Musicians make merry music by fun, frolic, and friends

Whitney Johnson
A&E EDITOR

The accordion has never been known as a “cool” or “hip” instrument. With the Steve Urkel character from the sitcom “Family Matters” and Drew Carey embodying what most people consider the stereotypical accordion nerd, it’s easy to see why that opinion is rampant.

However, there is one group in Eugene that’s been challenging preconceived notions of accordion geekdom for nine years.

Accordions Anonymous was conceived in 1998 at a Willamette Valley Folk Festival workshop.

Lorelei A. and Shelley W., the founding mothers of the group, created it with the desire to have a safe haven for those accordion enthusiasts who wanted a place to come, play and perform with like-minded musicians who understood their addiction to this unique instrument.

Following the theme of being anonymous, members do not use their last names. Members only use first names and last initials to identify themselves.

After the initial workshop at the festival, interested people began meeting at Washburn Park every week, until finally the group was established in its entirety, (within a month).

“We would parade around Washburn Park, but that didn’t last long. It wasn’t that great, or that easy, to parade around while playing,” said David L., a longtime member of the group.

“We’re a closed group,” said Tara K., who handles publicity and booking for the group, along with being an



PHOTO COURTESY OF TARA KEMP

Accordions Anonymous, a growing troop of musicians, established themselves in 1998 and meet at Washburn Park every week.

original member.

Having a closed group means that outside enthusiasts cannot elect to join the group; it’s by invitation only.

“It’s kinda’ like Spinal Tap,” said David A., Tara K.’s husband.

“People either just get absorbed into the group, or they sleep their way in,” joked TK M., the group’s newest member.

Members have also made it a family affair, with some of their children playing drums on occasion.

The humor of the group is very tongue-in-cheek when it comes to their performances. There’s a lot of 12-step

humor in their shows, and every person gets an opportunity to talk during their performances, just like any other anonymous group meeting. There are even testimonials about their accordion addiction.

Despite their good-natured attitude, exposing the general public to great accordion music is a very serious endeavor for the group. “We feel accordions have been repressed,” Tara K. said. “Or even flat out run away from,” TK M. said.

Aside from traditional polkas and waltzes, the group likes to spice things up with a multi-cultural repertoire

when it comes to their music. “We squeeze music from every culture ... it’s an Accordions Anonymous world tour!” David L. said.

The group plays everything from covers of rock songs to Tex-Mex music, tangos, swing and even the occasional operatic aria.

All the members of the group are multi-instrumental, so it wouldn’t be out of left field to hear the occasional banjo, ukulele, glockenspiel, mandolin, harmonica or steel drum peppering their playing.

It’s easy to understand the affection that the members of the group have for their addiction. “You can’t get away with owning just one. I have at least five,” said Tara K., who has been playing since she was nine.

She grew up in Pennsylvania and has been exposed to polka music due to her Polish background. “I was given the choice between learning the accordion or the violin, and I thought the violin was dorky.”

Many members have either inherited their hobby or were introduced to it at a young age. With so many different kinds of accordions as well, “you can have one to go with every outfit,” TK M. said.

Accordions Anonymous has performed at many community events, including the Da Vinci Days Festival in Corvallis, the Eugene Saturday Market, the Portland Rose Festival and the Eugene Celebration.

To contact Accordions Anonymous, e-mail bookings@accordionsanonymous.org or call 344-0632.

Ballot: students asked to fund SPA

Campus performing arts group hopes to gain funding through student activities fee referendum

Ariel Burkhardt
MANAGING EDITOR

Members of the Student Productions Association met with the Board of Education to propose a ballot measure that would increase the student activity fee by 50 cents per term to help raise money for performances held at Lane Community College. The Board voted unanimously that the measure would be on the next LCC ballot.

Five years ago, the performing arts department lost all but one of its full-time employees due to budget cuts. Students who wanted to save the performing arts banded together to create the SPA.

SPA became a one-of-a-kind, not for profit, student group that is not subsidized by the general funds.

"Our mission is to keep the performing arts alive," said SPA President Matt Keating. "To train our staff and find continuous ways to producing our art. It's

why we exist."

Keating said the negative aspects of the 2002 budget cuts brought out the positive aspects with student-driven energy to "help keep the lights on."

In an effort to collaborate with local businesses, SPA gave 100 tickets for an upcoming production to the Lane Memorial Blood Bank, which held a blood drive at LCC and gave the tickets to those who donated blood.

"It creates social awareness to better ourselves not only as actors, but as humans," Keating said. "We'll continue raising awareness and making a difference through our art. It's our responsibility to give back to the community that gives so much to us."

SPA also offers discounted tickets to people who donate to Food For Lane County.

Recent sell out performances were Shakespeare's "Othello" and student directed "Ruby by the River." The next performance

will be "The Hot'L Baltimore," starting May 4.

"The truth is we don't have very much to operate with to mount a show in the Blue Door Theatre," Keating said.

"We're seeking student energies for the cost of our presentation. We're giving students the option to save money on student productions and be a part of our growing theatre. We're humbly asking for a nominal 50 cents per student raise in fees, per term, per student to help support the SPA in our cause."

The funds SPA would receive would help keep ticket prices affordable, raise production value, which would increase attendance, enrollment and class sizes, Keating said.

Sam Morehouse, LCC student, actor and SPA member, was at the Board of Education meeting when the measure was accepted into the ballot. "It's the only ballot measure besides the ASLCC

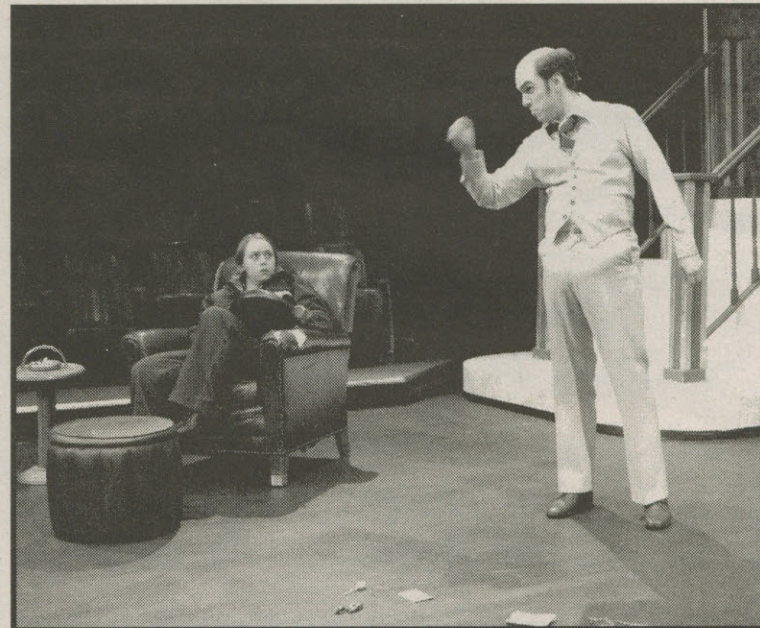


PHOTO BY MICHAEL BRINKERHOFF

A defiant Maranda Burell sits as an 'overweight' and balding Matt Keating performs in "Hot'L Baltimore" in SPA's first spring performance.

elections," Morehouse said.

"SPA is funded solely on tickets and donations. It would be a big deal if it passed. We'll be campaigning, not just to vote for it but to vote period, because it's important to vote," Morehouse said.

In the student activities fee, the

student literary magazine, Denali receives \$1.50 per term, per student. OSPIRG receives \$3. "I don't see why people wouldn't vote for that," Morehouse said. "We're completely student governed ... we like our art and we like performing our art."

'Funky Fresh Boys' focused on a 20 year flashback

This movie is better left to wait and see until it's a DVD or a \$1.50 flick

Review By
Sandy Wilcox
REPORTER

It's time to rewind and slip back to a time fraught with high tops and balloon pants. Where the power of Grey Skull could be chased by Pop-Rocks and Pepsi. It's 1986 not 2006.

"Funky Fresh Boys" begins with Justin Schumacher (Jamie Kennedy), a teen trapped in the midst of yet another timeless 80's fad, old school, drop the cardboard on the street break dancing. He hopes to win the school talent show with the help of his crew, the "Funky Fresh Boys."

The only thing in his crews' way is their arch nemesis Kip Unger (Michael Rosenbaum) and his crew. Schumacher must win to prove himself to his middle school sweetheart Jennifer Stone (Maria Menounos).

But on Justin's final spectacular move that ends in a back flip, he misses the stage and lands on his head, plunging him into a coma.

Twenty years later, in the year 2006, Schumacher awakens to "The World of Tomorrow," a world devoid of action packed Saturday morning cartoons that



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Darnell (Miguel A. Núñez Jr.) explains the ways of the world to an adolescent minded Justin (Jamie Kennedy).

lack politically correct morals, pre '80s NWA hip hop attire and actual music videos (you remember those?) on MTV.

After coming to his senses, Schumacher realizes he must pay off his hospital bills so his parents don't lose their house. He is given a flyer for a dance-off with a \$100,000 prize.

Unfortunately the dance-off is being run by Justin's arch nemesis, the now grown up Kip. To make matters worse, Kip is engaged to Justin's girl Jennifer.

This sparks the revival of the Funky Fresh Boys. After much cajoling and fitting into old balloon pants, they decide to aid Justin in his quest to win the money, show-up Kip and get Jen back.

The quest runs the course of

the movie. The boys do little but attempt to break dance like they used to, act like mentally handicapped individuals without a handicap and introduce Justin to the art of "gettin with a chic."

This really was a surprisingly funny movie; yes it was "ro ro ro Robo Retarded!" But in a good way, it allowed the audience to laugh at the long and hopefully dead '80s, while taking some craftily hidden potshots at our more recent ridiculously stupid pop culture.

It also featured some of the best celebrity cameos I've seen in a movie in a while. It included a surprise visit from Ferris Bueller's infamous sidekick, played by Alan Ruck, who is still trying to figure out how to pay for the Ferrari.

Unfortunately, this movie fell a little short of what it could have been. The overall length of the movie was filled with mildly entertaining cheap laughs and thrills that left the audience wondering why they just sat there for almost two hours to get to the sadly anti-

climactic dance-off finish.

The one-liners get clunky and annoying. They are not as bad as Ben Stiller's in, "Night at the Museum," but there is only so much that movie goers can take. Rosenbaum's talent was shamefully wasted on a shallow character that managed to stoop down to a middle school level of insults and "potty mouth" humor throughout the film, making the audience feel bad for him, not hate him.

The amount of 80's cheese that was portrayed in this movie was not all that bad. They skipped over the entire acid-washed hair metal era, but all the while hoped that kids and future generations don't grow up to hear of the man, the legend, that is David Hasselhoff.

Although this movie is entertaining, it would be better to wait for the DVD or even a \$1.50 screening, or as Justin's dad (Christopher McDonald) said during the movie, "This'll be on YouTube in an hour."

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Titans Head Coach Rob Strickland argues with the homeplate umpire after a questionable call in the opening game against Linn-Benton Community College. Strickland was eventually thrown out of that game. His team went on to lose 5-4.

Titan baseball drops four

Alex Braga
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The Lane baseball team lost all four of its games last week and may have seen its playoff possibilities slip away with 10 games left in league play.

Linn Benton Community College

The Titans opened the week Thursday, April 26, on the road against Linn-Benton Community College and returned home having lost both games of the doubleheader. With league-leading Mt. Hood Community College next on the schedule, the Titans had slim hopes of grabbing the number two spot in the Northwest Athletic Association of Community College's Southern Division and a trip to the tournament at the end of the season.

Game 1

The Titans sent their ace Jesse Sweet to the mound in the first game and he suffered through 5 1/3 innings of Linn-Benton's hot bats. Sweet gave up five runs on eight hits and was pulled in the sixth inning after giving up the last of his two runs. Bret Swett came in and pitched a flawless 2 2/3 innings to close the game out, but the Titans were unable to overcome the deficit left over from the sixth inning.

Lane scored all four of its runs in a seventh inning burst. Jake Parham drove in three runs on two hits and Russ Razor walked three times and came around to score once.

Game 2

The Titans were only able to muster two hits in the 7-inning nightcap of the doubleheader against Linn-Benton and fell 3-1.

Scott Carpenter threw 5 2/3 innings of six hit ball, but gave up all three of Linn-Benton's runs in the bottom half of the sixth inning and earned the loss. Closer

Eric Brown came in and stopped the bleeding, but Lane was unable to score in the seventh inning.

The Titans only two hits in the game came from Trevor Harrison and Brian Rector. Harrison scored the Titans only run. They were struck out eight times as a team.

Mt. Hood Community College

The Linn-Benton losses left the Titans with a sour taste in their mouths and slim hopes of reaching second place in the NWAACC South, a distinction they held only a week before. With the class of the division, Mt. Hood, coming into town for a doubleheader Saturday, April 28, things weren't prime for a turnaround.

Game 1

Lane got a solid performance from pitcher Joaquin Lopez and a solo home run from Scott Jacobson in the opening game of the doubleheader, but it wasn't enough as the Titans fell 4-1.

Lopez pitched six innings, only giving up two runs on five hits. Brown came in to relieve Lopez in the seventh and gave up two runs on three hits in his three innings on the hill.

Jacobson's home run in the fourth inning was all the offense Lane could put together as they finished with only three hits and six base runners in the game. Razor and Brian Thacker accounted for the other two Titan hits in the game.

Game 2

Mt. Hood proved why it is head and shoulders above the rest of the pack in the Southern Division in the second game against the Titans. The Saints jumped out to an early lead and never looked back, scoring five runs in the first inning, which they rode to an 11-3 victory.

Lane committed eight errors

and used four pitchers in the game. As a unit, the pitching staff only gave up two earned runs, but the poor play in the field left them with little hope of a win.

Jacobson got the start for Lane and gave up six runs on six hits in three innings and gave way to Sweet, who gave up four on two in his 1 1/3 on the mound. Carpenter threw 1 1/3 and gave up one run on three hits and Razor finished the game out with two innings, having not given up a run.

The Titans only offensive firepower came from Harrison, who hit a solo home run in the seventh inning.

Lane committed 12 errors in the doubleheader and after the series was 10-26 overall and 7-11 in league.

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	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO
Schlottman (lf)	4	0	0	0	0	1
Harrison (cf)	4	0	0	0	0	1
Jacobson (1b)	3	0	0	0	0	1
Solders (dh)	2	1	0	0	2	1
Razor (rf)	1	1	0	0	3	0
Rector (c)	2	1	0	0	2	1
Bavaro (3b)	3	1	1	1	0	1
Parham (ss)	4	0	2	3	0	2
Thacker (2b)	1	0	0	0	1	1
Smith (ph)	2	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	26	4	3	4	8	9

LANE	000	000	400	•	4	3	1
L. BENT	100	202	00x	•	5	8	0

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP
Sweet (L)	5 1/3	8	5	4	0	2	72
Swett	2 2/3	0	0	0	0	0	23

LANE 1 • LINN BENTON 3

	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO
Harrison (cf)	3	1	1	0	0	1
Rector (c)	3	0	1	0	0	0
Jacobson (lf)	1	0	0	0	1	0
Solders (1b)	2	0	0	0	1	0
Razor (rf)	3	0	0	0	0	1
Cullen (dh)	3	0	0	0	0	3
Bavaro (3b)	3	0	0	0	0	2
Parham (ss)	3	0	0	0	0	1
Thacker (2b)	2	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	23	1	2	0	2	8

LANE	000	001	0	•	1	2	0
L. BENT	000	003	x	•	3	7	0

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP
Carpenter (L)	5 2/3	6	3	3	2	6	79
Brown	1/3	1	0	0	0	1	8

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LANE 1 • MT. HOOD 4

	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO
Schlottman (lf)	4	0	0	0	1	1
Harrison (cf)	4	0	0	0	1	0
Jacobson (1b)	4	1	1	1	1	0
Solders (dh)	4	0	0	0	0	0
Razor (rf)	3	0	1	0	0	1
Rector (c)	3	0	0	0	0	0
Parham (ss)	3	0	0	0	0	1
Bavaro (3b)	3	0	0	0	0	0
Thacker (2b)	3	0	1	0	0	0
Totals	31	1	3	1	3	3

Mt. Hood	001	000	210	•	4	10	1
LANE	000	100	000	•	1	3	4

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP
Lopez (L)	6	5	2	2	2	2	92
Brown	3	3	2	1	0	1	50

LANE 3 • MT. HOOD 11

	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO
Harrison (cf)	3	1	1	1	1	1
Schlottman (lf)	3	0	1	1	0	0
Jacobson (p)	3	0	0	0	0	0
Solders (1b)	3	0	0	0	0	2
Razor (rf)	2	0	1	0	1	0
Rector (c)	1	1	0	0	0	0
Cullen (ph)	1	0	0	0	0	0
Parham (ss)	3	0	0	0	0	0
Bavaro (3b)	3	0	1	0	0	1
Thacker (2b)	2	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	24	3	4	2	2	4

Mt. Hood	501	230	0	•	11	11	0
LANE	010	010	1	•	3	4	8

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP
Jacobson (L)	3	6	6	1	0	2	68
Sweet	12/3	2	4	2	0	0	17
Carpenter	1/3	3	1	1	0	1	7
Razor	2	1	0	0	0	2	12

Thompson wins 400

Track teams are going strong after Twilight Meet; more Titans qualify, have personal bests

Josh Hutchins
SPORTS EDITOR

The Lane track and field teams had another successful outing at the Western Oregon University Twilight Meet Friday, April 27. Travis Thompson won the 400 meter dash with a time of 48.68 seconds, just .09 off his season best time. He is ranked second in the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges for the 400. Kelly Thompson had a season best in the 100 at 11.41. He was just off the NWAACC's qualifying standard of 11.23.

Dustin Moore qualified in the 10,000 with a time of 34:39.54. He is now ranked fifth. Nikki Gledhill had a personal best in the 5,000 at 19:52.6, shaving 18 seconds off of her previous season best time. She is now ranked 13 in that event.

Season Best Qualifiers

Athlete	Event	NWAACC Rank	Previous Best	Season Best
Kori Wilgus	400	9	1:02.2	1:02.05
Shalene Fine	5,000	16	20:30	20:15.1
Katie Gallagher	100 hurdles	4	16.93	16.28
McKenna Hering	high jump	2	4-11.75	5-01.25
Travis Thompson	200	4	22.59	22.49
John Randall	1,500	8	4:06.78	4:05.21
Jason Mentzer	shot put	3	44-85	47-04.25
Jayce Giddins	pole vault	8	14-01.25	14-05.25
Dylan Coleman	3,000 steeplechase	2	--	10:02.77
Evan Carman	3,000 steeplechase	5	--	10:18.55

WOU Twilight Meet Highlights*

Athlete	Event	Rank	Mark
Heather Bishop	100	2	12.91
Heather Bishop	200	7	26.67
Tamara Starodubtseva	800	3	2:22.6
Erika Stratton	pole vault	1	10-10
JoLena Boatsman	pole vault	5	10-10
McKenna Hering	pole vault	6	10-04
Sara deBit	pole vault	7	9-10
Charlene Moody	shot put	3	39-05
LeAsia Jones	shot put	7	37-01
Sam Helland	pole vault	7	14-05.25
Billy Wills	shot put	4	46-11

*Marks qualify but are not season bests.

Shot put champ wins in three categories

Academic track and field standout plans to study physical therapy

Josh Hutchins
SPORTS EDITOR

Charlene Moody throws shot put, discus and hammer for the Lane Community College women's track and field team. She has qualified in each of the three events for this year's Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges' Championships.

In 2006 she placed first in the shot put, second in the discus and seventh in the hammer, earning a total of 20 points in the women's runner-up finish. In a vote by the NWAACC coaches, Moody was named the outstanding field athlete of the NWAACC Championships.

"When they announced it they said it was going to someone from Spokane and I was like oh, I thought I was going to get it," Moody said. "All of a sudden Grady (O'Connor) said 'that should have been you,' and then they said Charlene Moody."

Moody grew up in Central Oregon in the little village of Simnasho on the Warm Springs Reservation. "It was really nice where I lived, it was so peaceful," Moody said. "I only had one neighbor for the next five miles, so we got to run around, do what we want."

Moody had a two hour bus ride to get to Madras High School. Her mornings would start around 6 a.m. and because of sports practice, she wouldn't get home until about 8 p.m. In high school, Moody played varsity volleyball and was on the school basketball team for a couple of years. To continue basketball for fun, she would play in reservation tournaments.

Her track career started in the seventh grade. Back then her events were the long jump, the 100 meter race, high jump and the shot put. "Around mid-season of seventh grade the coach said 'you look like a pretty good shot putter, you should look more into

that,'" Moody said. "And, so I realized it was a big strength for me and I switched over to throwing."

Right now getting her AAOT is Moody's main focus in school, but she said that she would like to eventually begin studying physical therapy. During track season she's taking 16 credit hours and her grades for last term were four A's and two B's.

Her plans after Lane are undecided, she would like to stick with track and field. She said it kind of depends on which schools offer the best scholarships. At the last UO track meet, she met with some people from Concordia. She is also considering walking-on to the UO.

She describes herself as cheerful and entertaining after you get past an initial barrier of shyness. She lives with her boyfriend Javin Dimmick, a decathlete on the LCC men's track and field team. In her two years she's formed close friendships with the other throwers.

"When I first came here I didn't know anybody. We have to break off in groups in track, so we really get to know each other," Moody said. "And form close friendships that will probably last a long time after." Her group of friends includes Jason Mentzer, Billy Wills, Matt Schryvers, Whitney Harris, Sara deBit and former athlete Emily Brown.

Moody likes the area too. "Coming here it was like 'oh my gosh it's so big, but it really isn't when you get to know it,'" she said. "But I really like it, it's so peaceful compared to Portland. I love how everything is green, coming from the dessert all you see is sagebrush and tumbleweed."

Some of the training is the same for her three events. "We're working on trying to get strong, but be able to be fast in the ring, having body control," Moody said.

But the throws themselves are all different. "The hammer you're putting all your weight on your right foot. You're constantly spinning around, you're not stopping," Moody said. "Where the shot put you're not stopping either, but in a way you are. All of them you're keeping in a straight line, but different movements I guess. And

the discus you're moving onto your left foot. My coach says the hammer and the discus are the opposite of each other, you can't really put them both together."

"Charlene is very steady, hardly misses a practice, works hard on the field and in the weight room," Director of Track and Field Grady O'Connor said. "And is one of the team leaders, leads by example and in her work ethic."

Moody said the hardest thing to stick to in training is continuing it. "Because sometimes I want to get lazy and I don't want to do it," Moody said. "But our coach is always telling us 'if you don't do it, you're not going to be well and you're just going to break what you've been working for all year.'"

A typical daily practice consists of two laps around the track and then individual stretching. Then she'll take about 25 throws more or less depending on how good the coach feels she's throwing. Then they have a Monday-Thursday and a Tuesday-Friday workout for weights. Wednesday is a day of active rest and medicine ball workouts.

"I really try not to think about it (during a throw), because when I think about it my body tenses up," Moody said. "When I just relax and breathe it will just come to me in my mind, 'oh that's what I need to do.'"

Outside of track Moody enjoys drawing, movies, shopping when she has money and just walking around. She said she doesn't get to visit home often because her vehicle broke down, but family will come out and visit her.

One of her favorite things to do is take vacations. She is planning a trip to Las Vegas sometime soon and is saving for a trip to either Mexico or Hawaii.

"My boyfriend's family will do family trips to Boardman up on the Columbia. That was really fun last year," Moody said. "I tried wakeboarding,

tubing on the back of their boat and swimming. And then we kind of made up this one thing, you grab a wind-surfing surf board. So we're getting pulled and then you

just kind of stand up on it and are being pulled by the boat, not being attached in any way. I was the first one to do it."

Billy Mills is one of her favorite athletes. An Olympian and an American Indian, he's a long distance runner that won in Japan. "He's kind of an inspiration being a Native American and going to the Olympics and winning the gold," Moody said. "Someday I'll do that."

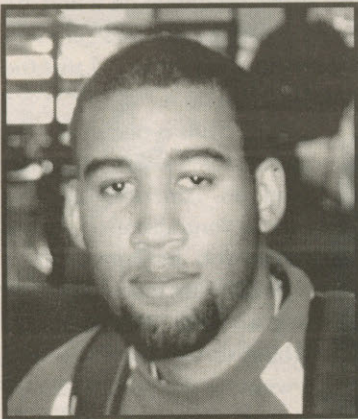
"Go Titans."



Charlene Moody at a glance

- 2006 Field Athlete of the Meet for the NWAACC Championships
- 2006 first place in shot put
- 2006 second place in discus
- 2006 seventh place in hammer

“Do you think that the U.S. should offer amnesty to undocumented workers?”



Jerome Roberts
POLITICAL SCIENCE

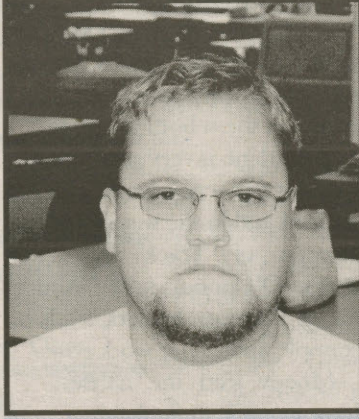
“Amnesty is something they’ve earned the right to have. I hope in the future they gain amnesty.”

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Elizabeth Sanchez
NURSING

“Yes. I don’t like having borders. It’s like discriminating in a way.”



Fred Rankin
MUSIC EDUCATION

“Yes and no. If they’ve been here working for about 10 years, with a family, then yeah. But if they’ve been here for the past couple years they should be deported, with their family.”



Nicole Sziber
AAOT

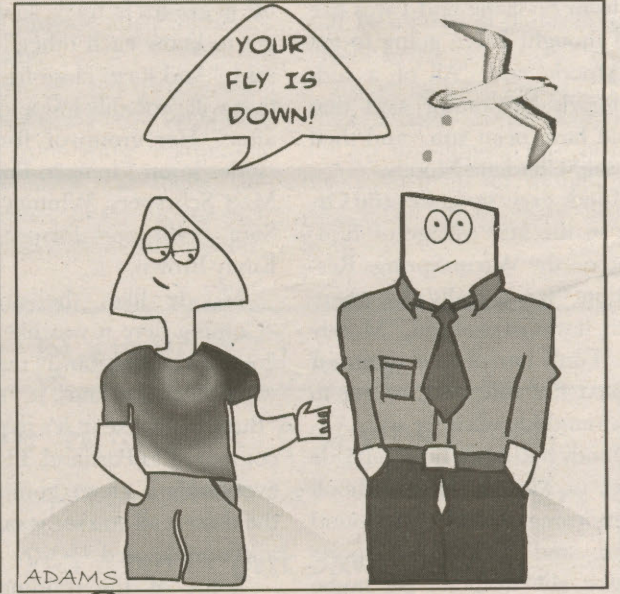
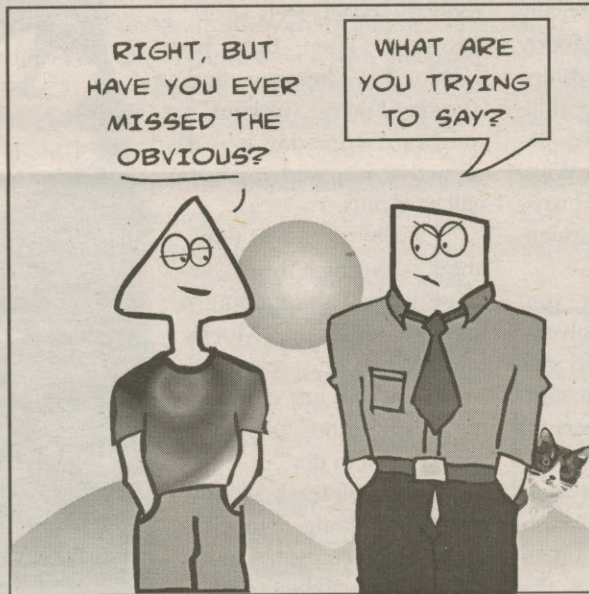
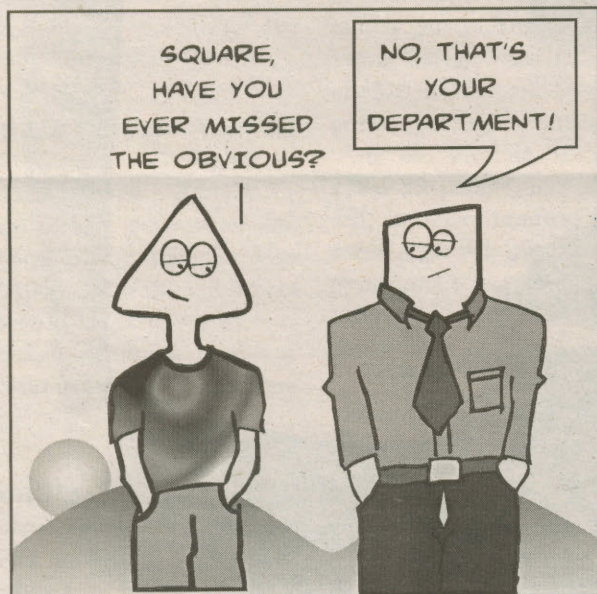
“If you can’t speak my language you don’t deserve a job here.”



Joann Brosnan
ARCHITECTURAL DRAFTING

“No, because the term ‘illegal alien’ is not politically correct because we don’t want to admit they’re doing something wrong, and the first thing they do is break the law.”

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