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Model EU, team including (back, left) Leif Hoffmann, (back, right) Sandra Kelly and (front) Amy Cooper.
From the Editor

Last time I promise

I’m still thinking about the Oscars.
But I’m not just thinking about the Oscars. I’m thinking about the movies. That’s what I love so much about the Oscars is that it recognizes the art of film.

Yeah, there a lot of bad movies out there, but there are also plenty of bad books and bad paintings (I know this is true because I have painted my fair share).

I’ve often asked myself why we bother with film. Why after 100 years do we still go to the movies. I think it’s all about the story, it always is.

Film can transport us, like any good story, into another world, into another mind set. For example, this year I saw and experienced what it was like to be bipolar, to be the president, to be shipwrecked, to be trapped in a country that wants to kill you and to lose the people you love. And that’s just this year.

That is (briefly) why I love, and will always love film.

Skiing was a success

Kaylee Brewster

I don’t know about you, but I had a great weekend. I finally got to go skiing at Lookout.

The conditions were perfect. Great powder and the temperature was just right.

That and I got to go there with my second family/good friends who I would classify as my favorite people. I’ve known them my entire life and consider them family. In fact, I call my friends’ mom, “Mama Beth.” And did I mention that Mama Beth has skied the Swiss Alps?

I guess I forgot how good of a workout skiing is. My calves are killing me, so if you see me limping around, that’s why.

I will say, however, that I was disappointed in the lack of adventure my friend Katherine displayed at times—refusing to go down a couple black diamonds here and there. (Black diamonds are the toughest runs, with the exception of double black diamonds).

I kept reminding her, “Your mom skied the Swiss Alps! I’m pretty sure you can handle this.”

Longing for “You’ve Got Mail!”

60 seconds . . .

Is anybody out there?

Since the semester kicked off, The Pathfinder has published a great variety of articles. Any reader could say they’ve seen local events, food reviews, movie and television commentary and most dear to my heart, topics of political controversy.

But that’s my question, who is reading?

The Pathfinder is funded by a very small portion of student fees, yes that means it’s a student owned and operated paper. Logically then, it should follow that since every student has a financial investment in the paper, they should at least in some very small way engage it. Yet, since I’ve started and authored, arguably, the most controversial subject matter The Pathfinder has seen in some time, I’ve yet to receive a single response (good or bad) except from another staff member.

This leads me to believe one of two things, either everyone agrees with me or no one reads or cares enough to say anything. I honestly don’t know what is more disturbing.

45 seconds...

My critique isn’t aimed solely at students; however, indeed, I am including faculty and staff members as well. If anything, a silent faculty is more troublesome than a silent student body. I would expect at the very least the humanities division incorporate The Pathfinder into their curriculum, if as nothing else than an opportunity to earn extra credit and encourage campus involvement.

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Sports stories and reviews – Saturday at midnight

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Letters to the editor, press releases and public service announcements are run on a first come, first served basis as space permits. Items relevant to the campus community are given preference.
Letters to the Editor

The following submissions were made as part of Bryce Kammers English 102 class

Sarbjit Kaur

The LCSC Library offers students many services to help the college student population. Many students have access to items such as laptops, CDS, videos, books, journals and many more services at no additional charge. Such services benefit many but a lot of aren’t aware of them.

Once you have an active LCSC library card, you now have access to many of the features the library provides. One of the most convenient would be the laptop checkout. This is a great help to those who don’t have a computer and may need access to a laptop. It can be checked out at the Circulation Desk.

Video cassettes must be turned within 14 days and may be checked out at the Circulation Desk. The limit to checking out VHS is three. The same applies for CDs and DVDs. These are beneficial to those who may have to watch a movie for class.

Last, but not least, the library offers a great selection of books, journals and periodicals. The loan period for books is 28 days, with a limit of 20 items and only one renewal per item.

Not only is the library good for checking out items, it offers great variety to students.

Jesse Grossman

Declare a major. Most college students can hardly decide what to have for lunch each day. Although before registering for classes, LCSC students were expected to declare a major.

According to a Penn State study, over fifty percent of college students will change their major at least once before graduating.

LCSC student, Joshua Rogers, laughs as he describes switching his major. “I was eighteen/nineteen years old…I didn’t know what I wanted to do.”

Responding to queries about students changing majors, Kim Wolf, of Career and Advising Services believes students often choose a major they know little about. Once in the field, they realize their chosen major is not for them.

“It is at this point that the students will then go to a career counselor and figure out what they may want to do,” said Wolf.

Wolf describes three things she believes would help students find the right major.

First, Wolf suggests utilizing computer applications such as Kuder and Discover to narrow a field of study. Second, she recommends a day or two of job shadowing a community member. Lastly she suggests that students conduct an informational interview about the job they think they want to pursue. Wolf believes students should learn everything they can, the good and the bad aspects of the job.

According to Wolf, starting in the fall 2013 semester there will be a “centralized advising model,” where all new freshmen will be advised through Career and Advising Services. They will do this before they are assigned an advisor in their division.

Students will have the opportunity to make sure their intended career path meets their expectations. Wolf hopes this new system will lower the number of LCSC students changing their majors.

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What’s happening?

Staff Report

• Slam poet Katie Wirsing will perform at LCSC.
The performance is at 8 p.m. today in SAC Hall room 115.
The event is free and open to the public.
• LCSC Spanish club is holding a charity chili contest.
The Chili contest is at 6 p.m. Thursday in the Clearwater room of the Williams Conference Center.
There will be no cost but donations will be accepted.
All proceeds will go to an orphanage in Peru.
• The Athens Guitar Duo will perform at LCSC.

The concert will be at 7 p.m. Friday at the Silverthorne Theatre.
Admission is free to LCSC students and alumni. Tickets cost $10 for general seating, $5 for children six and under and seniors. Tickets are available through the LCSC Community Events office located at 415 Main St. or online through Tickets West.
• Author Kim Barnes will present at the 31st annual LCSC Wallace Stegner Lecture.
The lecture will be at 7 p.m.
Friday at the Center for Arts and History located at 415 Main St.
The lecture is free and open to the public.

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as well. Is this a symptom of our decaying society? Has the grip of consumerism and material decadence eroded our ability to even think critically anymore? Are the masses complacent about life, longing only for the newest iPhone and the next twist on deep fried food?

30 seconds...

If you, reader, have made it this far in the article, my next sentence probably isn’t relevant, but it needs to be said. For the most part, a college degree from LCSC, especially in social sciences or humanities, isn’t anything special. No one cares what you have a B.A. in English, Psychology or Political science (or any other degree that isn’t technical skill or nursing) – don’t expect people to sing your praises. Indeed, all you should expect is to be tossed into the recycling bin as an employer looks at the resume of someone with extensive extra-curricular involvement and other academic accolades.

The four year degree is the new high-school diploma. Success is, unfortunately, less about what you know and more about who you know and what you’ve done above and beyond the basics.

15 seconds...

Where am I going with this?

I don’t care if you read The Pathfinder; I acknowledge its meager quality and content. However, reading it is a gesture and a pathway to being involved in other more pressing matters. Forming habits of involvement in civic activities - engaging in your dharma so to speak - is going to be crucial in separating yourself from the rest (unless of course you actually prefer to be looked at as a grazing cow).

Students, I want to hear from you. I want you to engage your instructors. And Instructors, I want you to engage your students, beyond just class material – you’re our mentors and our leaders. Lead by example and encourage us to get involved in campus life, but also in community life.

Time’s up.

This is your life, and it’s ending one minute at a time.

How are you spending it?
LCSC travels to (Model) European Union

Dustin Ellis
of The Pathfinder

They didn’t take home any gold, but the experience was priceless.

LCSC’s Model European Union Team, Amy Cooper and Sandra Kelly competed in Seattle over the weekend. LCSC was one among 31 participating schools from around the northwest and Canada. The Seattle based competition simulated a meeting of member states in the European Union.

Professor Leif Hoffmann who served as team captain and mentor said that “Amy and Sandra made LCSC proud and stayed in the role of Austria [one of the requirements is to stay in character].”

Playing the role of Austria, Cooper and Kelly were advocating financial reform and cohesion policy.

“There are so many different aspects to the model EU,” said Kelly. “In the beginning it can seem daunting. You are assigned topics that you know little about, so you spend hours researching and organizing a pretty extensive paper. Then you study the other member states position papers, so that we know how to counter or cooperate at the summit. It’s tough enough to understand economics in American terms, but understanding and then trying to come up with an agreeable tax or banking system that will work for the 27-member states of the EU is crazy - it was challenging and interesting.”

Cooper said “It was interesting to compare the complications and advantages of a very different political system in such an intimate manner as replicating and reenacting it.”

In regards to the future of the program, Kelly said “I hope the Model EU program at LC takes off. It’s a unique opportunity for students at a small school to go head-to-head against some of the smartest students at larger, more well-known colleges and universities.”

Those with more questions or are interested in participating next year are encouraged to contact Leif Hoffmann in Spaulding Hall or at lshoffmann@lcsc.edu

Conference room at the Model EU Saturday.

Photo courtesy of Leif Hoffmann

Useful Information

Outreach Centers
Grangeville
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Sam Glenn Complex, Room 205
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Student Health Services
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(208) 792-2251

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Distance Learning
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Saturday
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Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Sam Glenn Complex Rm. 212

Library
Monday - Thursday
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Saturday 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday 2 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Math Lab
Monday - Thursday
8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
and
Monday - Wednesday
7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Meriwether Lewis Hall, Room 320
2-3 tutors are on staff to assist students.

Writing Center
Spaulding Hall Room 115
Monday - Friday
8 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Sam Glenn Complex, Room 205
(208) 792-2251

Security
Meriwether Lewis Hall, Room 110
(208) 792-2929
Student input wanted on possible tuition increase

Dustin Ellis of The Pathfinder

Resident students may spend an additional $140 for school next semester.

As students returned from a three day weekend Feb. 19, they were greeted with a press release from the president's office indicating that LCSC is seeking a 5 percent increase in tuition fees. Additionally, students who are enrolled part-time or in summer classes can expect to pay an extra $15 per credit hour.

The largest dollar figure effects non-resident students, as the 5 percent increase amounts to $248. These numbers aren’t set in stone yet, however. Between now and April, when the Idaho state board makes its decision about tuition increases, students have opportunities to make their voices heard.

The administration is asking students to submit written testimonies and to attend the public hearing. The hearing takes place March 12 in Sacajawea Hall, Room 112. Testimonies and other comments can be sent to the office of vice president for finance and administration in the administration building.

Students who have questions, concerns or suggestions are encouraged to contact a member of student government by stopping by at SUB 225 or by sending an email to aslcsc@lcs.edu

Professor Martin Gibbs has been chosen to be the new Humanities Division Chair.

Gibbs to be new Humanities Division Chair

Martin Gibbs, the new chair of the Humanities Division.

Gibbs became interested in humanities not long after going to Puerto Rico for two years as a missionary. Learning different languages became a very prominent interest, and when he came back to the U.S., he went to college to major in Spanish and earned a degree to teach at the college level.

Gibbs came to LCSC when there was a job opening for a Spanish professor. He has now been a professor for five years.

“Coming to LC was a good fit for me professionally and for my family as well,” Gibbs said. “The faculty in this division are very easy to work with, and I’m sure they will make my job easy as the Humanities Division Chair.”

Gibbs will start as the new Humanities Division Chair on July 1.

Senate Summary

From meeting held Feb. 19

Dallas Callahan of The Pathfinder

- The ASLCSC voted 8-0 majority to fail the bill of allotting up to $450 to subsidize admission costs for up to 50 LCSC-Coeur d’Alene (CDA) students for a student activity at Silver Mountain’s tubing hill. The money would have come out of the CDA budget line.

ASLCSC talked about CDA’s dwindling funds, and requested more information on the situation.

- March 9 is the campus recreation trip to the Spokane Chief’s hockey game.

- There will be a student health committee meeting discussing the possible raising of student health fees. The fees could possibly go up by 33%.

Sensor Summary

From meeting held Feb. 19

Jennifer Johnson of The Pathfinder

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“Snitch” uninspired by true events

Kaylee Brewster
of The Pathfinder

“Snitch” fails in telling a realistic story, due mostly to boring writing inspired by a true story. Not even the Rock is solid enough to carry this one.

Jason Collins (Rafi Gavron) is like any other kid. He has friends and one of those friends happens to be a drug dealer. This “friend” sends Jason a bag of pills to sell, only he didn’t tell Jason that he was being set up.

So Jason is looking at ten years in prison for having a really crappy best friend.

His father, John Matthews (Dwayne “the Rock” Johnson) wants his son to pass the drugs on to another innocent person to reduce his sentence. Only Jason refuses to do so.

John learns through Joanne Keeghan (Susan Sarandon) that John Matthews (Dwayne “the Rock” Johnson) is telling him the truth in “Snitch.”

John works at finding another way to get Jason out of prison. John learns through Joanne Keeghan (Susan Sarandon) that if he catches a few drug dealers his son will get out early. All John has to do is find some drug dealers, trick them into letting him into their secret circle and lead them to the feds, all without getting shot. But this should be pretty easy for the Rock.

The story was inspired by true events, as the opening credits tell us. But there is little about the movie that makes it believable.

Although, Johnson does a decent job of playing a protective father and Gavron is convincing as a teen caught between a rock and a hard place, there is nothing convincing about their relationship. There are “I love you, son” conversations when Jason is in prison but there is nothing to establish their relationship before prison.

Now, granted, in the story John and Jason’s mother are divorced and Jason and his father don’t hang out that much. But then what makes John want to fight for his son now? If John loved his son so much that he was willingly to fight drug dealers for him, why didn’t he spend more time with Jason before?

“Because he’s his son. You fight for your family,” you might be thinking. Yeah, but if you don’t fight for quality time, which is simple and easy, you’re not going to do something more difficult and complicated. John’s motivations for helping his son seem stretched and unrealistic, given the relationship he does have.

Because of the lack of connection John has with his son, the audience fails to connect with John and Jason. If the actors and writers aren’t invested in the characters, then the audience won’t be either.

That’s what happens in “Snitch” no one in the movie cares, so you don’t either.

The plot itself is boring. It drags on and on and on and on and on and you only want it to end, just like this sentence that never seems to stop because it keeps going on forever and you are waiting for it to finish so you can stop and move on with your life but it won’t and it also becomes boring by adding in stuff that doesn’t matter, cupcakes are delicious, and then finally, right before you can’t take anymore, it ends.

And it’s not the story that makes it boring. It could have been exciting. There are so many things screenwriters (Justin Haythe and Ric Roman Waugh) could have done to make an intense story. Like pulling a Quentin Tarantino and tricking the audience into thinking John really was drug dealer, then all of sudden, wait no, he’s working with the police. Maybe that’s a bad example, but it’s a more entertaining way to tell a story than how they actually did.

I couldn’t help but, minutely, compare “Snitch” to “Argo” since both are films about tricking bad guys into thinking you’re something that you’re not. However, “Argo” for one, has a stronger screenplay. “Argo” also tells the story from all perspectives, we see the CIA agents, the Hollywood people, the Iranians, the Canadian ambassador and the six Americans. “Snitch” could have benefited from showing more of the behind the scenes action, in both the good guy and bad guy camps.

“Snitch” also suffers from being too preachy. It’s clearly a film that wants to criticize the first offender drug laws. It doesn’t try to hide the message, from characters saying to the audience “Those are the laws!” or John looking up the laws on the internet and the camera show us a close up of the rules, even at the end there’s a brief message about the laws.

OK, we get it, but maybe you should work on telling a better story rather than pushing a message down the audience’s throat. A compelling story with a compelling message is more effective than an uninspired story with an over the top message.
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Food Review

Fight off winter with something cheesy

Kelly-Rae Meyer of The Pathfinder

I'm going to take a moment here to say how much I do not like February.

No, it's not because of Valentine's Day.

I don't like it because it's sad and cold and dreary and grey, and I'd rather sleep in bed all day in my sweats than go to class and be productive.

So, if you're like me and hate February, then I have the comfort food for you.

A fellow Pathfinder writer, Dallas Callahan, emailed me a recipe for cheesy potatoes, and I could not wait to try them.

First, I preheated the oven to 350. I took out my baking pan and sprayed it down with Pam, and then I grabbed a big bowl and poured an entire bag of hash browns in it. Take the cream of potato soup and pour that on and mix it up a bit. I found it easier if I stirred after every ingredient was put in.

Contrary to the recipe, I did not use cheddar cheese because I did not have any and I just got back from the store and did not intend on going out again. So, I used what I had – Mexican blend.

Once all the ingredients were mixed, I scooped them from the bowl to the greased down baking pan, flattened it, and stuck it in the oven.

Again, contrary to the recipe, I did not sprinkle a cup of corn flakes or parmesan cheese on top before I put in. Also, I did not have any tin foil, so I checked on it every 15 minutes for an hour. If you do have tin foil, bake it covered for 30 minutes, then uncovered for another 30 minutes.

Oh man, this recipe is so good. My roommates and I kind of devoured it over the weekend.

This is the perfect food to eat when it's sad and cold and dreary and grey and you'd rather be in your sweats all day watching Netflix or Hulu. It's full of carbs, and who doesn't love carbs on a cold February day?

So, if you're feeling unproductive, which I think most of us are this time of year, then make some cheese potatoes and take a day off.

Ingredients

2 cans of cream of potato soup
32 oz. of shredded hash browns (partially thawed)
16 oz. sour cream
2 cups shredded cheddar cheese
1 tsp. salt
½ tsp. pepper
1 cup corn flakes
1 tsp. salt
Kelly-Rae Meyer of The Pathfinder

Cheesy potatoes are irresistibleely delicious with cheese, hash browns and cream of potato.
Kimberly Monroe

LCSC offers a CNA certification course through the Work Force Training Center. However, it is not considered a credited course, even though, it is a required course before you can apply to the nursing program. Leilani Anderson in the Registrar’s Office at LCSC said, “The CNA course is a credited course, but only after it is completed and two forms are filled out to transfer the credits over to LCSC from WFTC, which costs a student out of pocket ten dollars a credit to transfer. The CNA course is a four credit course.”

A nursing student who requires the help of financial aid to get through school, has to pay out of pocket to take the course, fees that include; course fees, book fees, scrub fees and then the fees to transfer each of the four credits after completion. This for some could be a huge financial burden, placing some students behind in their schedule for applying to the nursing program due to lack of funds. Most are on a budget.

Walla Wall Community College (WWCC) offers the CNA course as a seven credit course. “The course is covered by financial aid, but there is a certain amount of credits a student has to have already achieved to have it covered by financial aid. I would suggest speaking to one of our advisors regarding transferring financial aid from Lewis Clark to Walla Walla,” says Deanna Sullivan, Health Science Secretary at WWCC. She also stated that, “The credits are then transferable back to Lewis-Clark State College.” Mynique Morrison, a fellow nursing student said, “I do not understand why it is not a credited here, if they consider it part of the nursing curriculum?”

Karina Davis

Life is already hard for everybody, having to deal with normal things such as, studying, going to work, etc. Just think if you have to do all these activities in another country where you are new and probably not related with the language. People will think this is not a big deal, but the truth is that international people have a big impact on our society, and you have a huge impact on them and their life.

Take a minute to imagine that you are far away from home, having to deal with the language, food and people making fun of you because you have a “funny” accent. Wouldn’t that be a nightmare?

Andres Bustani from Cancun, Mexico, Student of LCSC talk about his experience in United States: “Nobody that has not gone through this experience can really know how hard it is” says Andres.

We ask the Mexican how much different he feels since the first day he arrived to United States and now a days? “I have grown too much through all this experience. Being away from family is never easy, when I got here around eight months ago I was so excited, as days were passing I realized that this was not a couple days trip, so I got into a kind of depression that really affected me, until I decide to give my new life a chance and be positive about the new culture, so I opened myself and I started making friends and knowing about American culture,” Bustani told.

I invite you to try to give a positive impact in these people, sometimes just a smile or saying “Hi” is enough for them to feel welcome in a new culture. You never know what the future might hold.

Correction from the Feb. 20 issue of The Pathfinder:
House Rep. John Rusche’s name was misspelled in the photo caption. The mistake was due to a Pathfinder error.
Educators discuss Liberal Education and America’s Promise

Dustin Ellis of The Pathfinder

Twitter and other social media sites may be integrated into core curriculum as a way for students to interact with each other and faculty.

Liberal Education and America’s Promise (LEAP) is a national advocacy program that focuses on high-impact learning techniques. Professor Laura Earles served as host for the one hour long event that took place Feb. 20 in Sacajawea Hall. Among the professors who presented were Amy Canfield, Eric Martin, Rachel Jameton and Jeanette Gara-Betzold.

Each professor discussed, in brief terms, how they approach their core classes (general education), the method of teaching, and the way they expect students to approach the content.

Martin said “It’s my opinion that we don’t have enough of these [events discussing general ed] because I think it’s difficult to get our students to think about gen ed as a program if the faculty don’t think about as a program, and they can’t think about it if they aren’t talking about it.”

During the question and answer period, an audience member asked about the integration of social media and student technology, such as smart-phones, in class rooms and curriculum. Out of the conversation came a hypothetical proposal by some educators that they would attempt using sites such as Twitter and Facebook in the class as another venue for student discussion.

Students who want to know more, or have something to say about general education classes are encouraged to contact Laura Earles, leearles@lcs.edu

Friends and family of Chad and Kellie Pierce are hosting a Benefit Dinner and silent Auction to help the family with medical bills and living expenses.

EVENTS
* Spaghetti Dinner
* Silent Auction
* Children’s Carnival (Included with Meal)
* Live Music
* Drama
* 50/50 Drawing

CONTACT
* New Bridges Community Church: Annie (208) 799-0858
* Christi Guinard: (208) 816-0392

Chad is a hardworking, dedicated family man. He and Kellie have been married for 20 years, and have three children: Jordan (17), Sammie (10), and Ethan (8). Their son Ethan has Autism and Epilepsy, and Kellie is state-certified to care for him at home. At age 37 (2010), Chad underwent open heart surgery to have a prosthetic valve placed in his heart.

To complicate matters, Chad was diagnosed with a blood disease which alters his blood viscosity and has caused several minor strokes. In September 2012, Chad’s prosthetic (mechanical) valve failed again he had to undergo open heart surgery. At this time the prosthetic valve was replaced with a tissue valve.

On February 6th of this year, Chad began having strokes and was transported by Life-Flight to Spokane for emergency surgery. This time the doctors were shocked to find that a very rare form of yeast infection had taken root in Chad’s circulatory (blood system) and was filling his heart and blood stream with clots. The medical team in Spokane removed several large yeast clots from his circulatory system and replaced the failing heart valve with a donated human heart valve.

Thankfully, Chad is home in Lewiston and recovering. Kellie is now required to function as a “home health nurse,” with only four hours of training, and has learned to infuse his PICC (IV) line every day with a cocktail of medications that cost $700/day. This medication regime will last for 8 weeks, and then he will take oral medications for the rest of his life, in hopes of preventing further complications.

We hope you will come and enjoy a meal with us and thank you in advance for your support of this wonderful family!

A Chad Pierce Benefit Account has also been opened at Clearwater Credit Union.
Off the bench
One season begins while another ends

Commentary

Sandra Kelly

One season begins while another ends

If Lewiston felt a little warmer than usual this weekend, or just a little brighter, don’t credit Mother Nature. Nope, the weather gods have nothing to do with that – it all falls on the LCSC men’s basketball team.

This past weekend the No. 5 Warriors, though they lost to Western, hard (74-58) on Friday, exceeded all preseason expectations by beating Carroll 84-65 on the final day of the regular season and in the process, won the Frontier Conference regular season title.

To say that Rinta is thrilled, well, that’s an understatement of the grandest kind.

“I’m pretty much speechless,” Rinta said. “I’m just so proud of these guys. I could go down the list and give credit to all 11 of them for this accomplishment because they all deserve it. We’re not the most talented team in the conference. We’re not the most athletic. We’re not the biggest. But we found a way.”

Finding a way has been the mantra the Warriors have followed all season, and after losing to Western, their win over Carroll turned into a must-win if LCSC was going to end up with the coveted first-round bye.

“They were embarrassed about yesterday (Friday),” Rinta said. “They had such a bad taste in their mouth. We made it all business today. We were on a mission.”

Mission accomplished. PJ Bolte didn’t just lead the attack, he was the attack, putting up 16 points in the first half, and then equaled that output in the second to finish with a game-high and career-high 32 points.

“He (Bolte) carried us in the first half,” Rinta said. “And then when he came out and hit two 3s to open the second half I knew this was going to be a special night for him.”

Nick Fromm suffered from foul trouble in the first half, but he came back in the second and finished with 14 points, 12 after the break.

The win put LCSC at 26-4 overall and 11-4 in the conference. The Warriors are tied with the 2006-07 teams for the second-most wins in school history – the 2003-04 teams won 31 games.

The title is the first on LCSC has won since the 2007-08 season, and it is the fifth time overall that the Warriors have won the regular season title.

All that is great, and should be savored, but not for too long. After all, the really good stuff is about to begin.

The first-round bye is crucial, especially since the Frontier has moved away from a season-ending tournament and has gone back to breaking up the tournament by playing tourney games at different schools.

The regular season title means that LCSC will have a first round bye and then enjoy home-court advantage throughout tournament play.

The first round begins Wednesday when No. 6 Great Falls will travel to Havre to take on No. 3 MSU-Northern. No. 5 Rocky Mountain will make the long trip to Salt Lake to take on No. 4 Westminster.

And the Warriors? Well, the Warriors will set back Wednesday and let the tournament work itself out (Western, the No. 2 seed, also finished with a first-round bye).

LCSC will play the lowest seed that advanced on Wednesday, and that game will be held Saturday at 7 p.m. in the Activity Center.

“It’s a special group of guys we have in the program right now,” Rinta said. “This is a great accomplishment, but I think they’re hungry for more. Hopefully this team has three more weeks of basketball left in it.”
Warrior women done for the year

Sandra Kelly
of The Pathfinder

It was a nice run, but Saturday night the LCSC women’s basketball team saw their season come to a close when they lost to Carroll 65-51.

It marks the first time in five years that the Warriors haven’t defended their tourney titles.

“This team never stopped fighting,” Coach Brian Orr said. “We never played harder than what we played tonight. I’m so proud of how hard we fought. We had no give up at all.”

At the half LCSC trailed 40-22, but instead of giving, the Warriors fought back and cut the deficit to 10, but they couldn’t break the double-digit barrier.

Annie Kane, LCSC’s only senior, capped her carrier with an impressive 24-point night, including a 6-of-7 performance from the charity line.

“They doubled her,” Orr said. “She’s tough. She finished like a Warrior.”

Tanis Fuller added 10 points, but she was the only other LCSC player to notch double figures.

It was a tough season for the Warriors. They ended 8-21 overall and 5-10 in the Frontier, putting them at seventh in the conference standings, one spot shy of the qualifying for the tournament.

“We got better at everything this year, with the exception of late-game situations,” Orr said. “But we’re awfully young right now… This league eats youth alive.”

However, Orr will build on that youth. The Warriors should return 10 of their 11 players, and with any kind of luck, starting point guard Brittany Niebergall, who was injured for most of the year, should be back.

The lone Warrior leaving will be Kane, who is only 5-foot-5, but played like a monster.

She closed her four-year run with LCSC with 557 points, and led the team this year with 415. She played in all 29 games and averaged 34 minutes a night.

As Orr said, “A true Warrior.”

Warriors win and lose in a baseball double-header

Staff Report
Courtesy of LCSC

LCSC baseball team and Western Oregon University shared the winnings at Saturday afternoon’s doubleheader at Harris Field. The No. 8 Warriors rolled to a 4-1 win in the opening game, and the NCAA Division II Wolves answered with an 11-2 rout in game two.

The split pushes LCSC to 9-2 overall, while Western Oregon moves to 4-6. The two teams will wrap up the four-game series with a noon contest Sunday.

Garrett Wilson earned the win (3-0) in the opener after lasting 5 2/3 innings. The junior surrendered eight hits, but struck out three and gave up just one unearned run.

Through 18 2/3 innings this season, his ERA remains a perfect 0.00.

Warrior reliever David Murillo dominated the final 3 1/3 innings to pick up the save. He struck out five, walked none, and surrendered just two hits. The junior entered the game in the sixth inning with the bases loaded and escaped the jam with a soft line out to shortstop.

Shortstop Ryan Sells utilized his speed to score LCSC’s first run in the fourth inning. He led off with a single to left field, stole second base, advanced to third on a wild pitch, and then scored on right fielder Cody Lavalli’s bloop single to right.

Second baseman Brian Corliss drove in one of the runs with a hit-and-run single through the left side of the infield, and third baseman Brady Steiger plated the other two with a two-out hard-hit ground ball back up the middle.

Steiger, who leads the team with a .517 batting average, has now hit safely in all eight games he’s played in this year.

The loss snaps the Warriors’ five-game win streak, but they’ll have a chance to avenge the setback in Sunday’s finale.

The Warriors will also travel to Western Oregon for four games (Monmouth, Ore.) in late April.

LCSC Tennis women ranked ninth, LCSC men 15th

Sandra Kelly
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Kaytlyn Coleman has enjoyed a record-breaking season for the LCSC track team.

The freshman from Kennewick, Wash., has the school record in the weight throw with a 59.4 toss, which is the second-longest in the nation.

She has already qualified for the NAIA national meet which will be held in Geneva, Ohio Feb. 28-March 2, and this past week she won weight throw at the Idaho Collegiate Invitation, and her efforts landed her conference accolades.

It was a quite week for the LCSC tennis teams, but that didn’t keep them from making moves in the NAIA polls.

The women fell two spots to No. 9. So far this season they have defeated Whitman and Whitworth, but have lost to NCAA Division I schools, Seattle University and Eastern Washington.

This Saturday the Warriors will host Gonzaga at 2 p.m. and Idaho at 6 p.m., and Sunday they will host Portland at 9:30 a.m. and the College of Idaho at 2 p.m.

The Warrior men are ranked No. 15 in the NAIA, and will be off again this week.
“I don’t really think it is anybody’s business unless it becomes a problem.”

Jamie Coursey
Major: Psychology
Year: Junior

“It’s not their business unless it directly effects the school.”

Sydnee Morehouse
Major: Communication
Year: Sophomore

“They shouldn’t be allowed to monitor students’ sites.”

Keaton Seay
Major: Architecture
Year: Sophomore

“I don’t have anything inappropriate, so if people want to do some creepin’ that’s cool with me.”

Treeneisha Doyle
Major: Kinesiology
Year: Freshman

“I don’t really care, but I can see why some people would get offended.”

Lincoln Gay
Major: Pre med
Year: Junior

What do you think about schools monitoring social networking sites?