

More LTD buses for USC game

As a result of Lane Transit District's record first-game bus ridership for the Sept. 7 Oregon/Washington State football game, LTD will add five additional buses to its University Sports Shuttle fleet for this Saturday's USC game at Autzen Stadium.

The University Sports Shuttle service will begin approximately 2 hours before game time. Fare is 75 cents each way.

Fans who drive to the game are encouraged to come early to avoid the traffic snarls that occurred before the WSU game. The stadium parking lot will open at 4 p.m. In addition, people who drive to the stadium are encouraged to park close together to maximize parking availability.

LTD buses will transport fans to the 8 p.m. game from the following locations:

Eugene:
South Eugene High School.
Fairgrounds.
Eugene downtown station.
Valley River Inn.
River Road transit station.

Springfield:
Gateway Mall station.
Springfield Red Lion.
Springfield downtown station.
Centennial Center.

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for because they wouldn't have the time otherwise. It's hard enough working, taking classes and trying to volunteer someplace," Miller said.

Miller said ESCAPE volunteers collectively put in about 35,000 hours of work into the community last year.

"With the threat of that disappearing, the support that we had in the community was overwhelming," Miller said.

Last spring, ESCAPE rallied community support for their cause through the local media

by sending out press releases about the program and its uncertain future.

"I think that it's mostly because of community support that we're still here. I think ESCAPE is going to be here for another 20 years," Miller said. "Volunteerism in and of itself is growing across the country and there are a lot of universities...that are making it part of their curriculum."

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central government, Cuba faces extreme uncertainty about its future, Benjamin said.

For example, Soviet wheat shipments to Cuba have become unreliable and sporadic, and Soviet oil exports — 90 percent of Cuba's oil supplies — have been continually cut back, Benjamin said.

As a result, the Cuban government has imposed rationing of both goods, and others are in short supply, said Benjamin, who lived in Cuba from 1979 to 1983, and most recently visited the country in July.

"The stores are pretty empty," she said. "You can't find basics like soap."

Meat is absent in the markets and people are eating only one meal a day, she said.

The crisis stems from turmoil in Cuba's trading arrangements with Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union, and the continuing economic blockade against Cuba by the United States exacerbates the situation, Benjamin said.

The U.S. blockade, which began in 1959, forced Cuba to find other trading partners, predominantly in the Soviet bloc, Benjamin said.

"It tried to diversify trade, and did well in the '70s, until the debt crisis," Benjamin said.

Cuba's mounting debts to other lending nations forced it to lean even more heavily on the Soviet bloc, particularly the Soviet Union, which accounted for 75 percent of Cuba's foreign trade, Benjamin said.

Without trade agreements with the Soviet bloc, Cuba is at the mercy of the U.S. blockade, which prohibits even humanitarian or medical assistance — something even Iraq receives from the United States, Benjamin said.

And without access to insulin, or film for X-ray photos, Cuba's unique medical-care system is endangered, she said.

Nonetheless, "your child has a better chance of living if it's born in Havana than in Washington, D.C.," Benjamin said. Moreover, the average life expectancy for Cubans is 76 years, as opposed to 75 years for the United States.

Cuba has an "amazing" system of free, round-the-clock, accessible health care, provided largely by a system of neighborhood doctors, Benjamin said. "Our own government could learn from the Cuban health-care system," she said. "There are many things we could learn from Cuba if we only let Cuba be Cuba, to do its own thing."

However, continuing pressure from the United States continues to fuel that country's woes, Benjamin said.

"The role of U.S. policy has been to destroy the revolution," starting after Castro came to power in 1959, Benjamin said.

As an example, Congress recently approved the Mack



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SPECIAL HAPPENINGS:

A BIBLE STUDY is held on every Monday, September 30 at 7:30 p.m.

An Inquiry Class is held every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.
A STUDENT MASS is celebrated every Wednesday at 9:00 p.m.
A MEN'S SUPPORT GROUP will meet every Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

WELCOMING DINNER - at Chelsea House on Friday, September 27 at 7:00 p.m. Come to meet new people and renew your friendships.

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults for those who are seriously interested to become a Catholic Christian is held every Sunday at 6:15 p.m. starting Sunday, September 29.

Get-away weekend — PARABLE WEEKEND RETREAT will be on October 18-20 at St. Benedict's Lodge, McKenzie Bridge. Sign up now. Open to all students. Cost \$30.00.

Students are invited to come and study, read or just relax in the center's lounge.
It is open from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

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