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Remembering the fallen

Symbolic art puts power in numbers for those lost to the war in Iraq

> Lana Boles Features Editor

The Iraq Body Count Exhibit, a symbolic representation of American and Iraqi deaths caused by the war in Iraq, ends its display at the University of Oregon, Sunday, Nov. 18.

About 124,000 small flags that represent the American and Iraqi casualties of the violence in Iraq are arranged on the UO campus. There is about one white flag for every six dead Iraqis and one red flag for every dead American.

The white flags represent the numbers from the 2006 Lancet report, which estimated that approximately 655,000 Iraqis have died as a result of the war since its onset to 2006.

Information is provided to the public by the organizers, who are positioned in a canopy in the center of the quad, near the Knight Library, between Kincaid and University Streets.

The exhibit originated at the University of Colorado and has

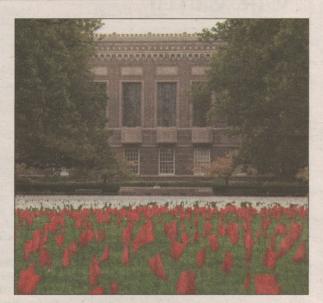
spread throughout California and Oregon.

The IBCE website, www.iraqbodycountexhibit.com, includes information about previous exhibit locations, contacting IBCE organizers and donating.

The cleanup is scheduled for 10 a.m., Sunday, Nov. 18. Volunteers are needed to help with the pulling of flags, cleaning, bundling, counting and packing.

Right: 124,000 small flags at the UO campus represent the American and Iraqi deaths caused by the war. This display will end its run on Sunday, Nov. 18.

Photo courtesy of Christin Palazzolo of the Oregon Daily Emerald





Dan Dawson and Darla Hicks of ASLCC present a workshop titled "What Isshoes Should I Wear?" which focused on different issues students face on

LCC represented at annual Northwest **Student Leadership Conference**

Workshops focused on different issues that student groups and organizations might be addressing

Sandy Wilcox Reporter

LCC students and faculty attended the Northwest Student Leadership Conference in Portland, Ore. from Oct. 9 through 11 to gain first-hand leadership experience from their fellow neers.

Over 500 students attended the NWSLC event, which was held at the Portland State University campus, traveling not only from Oregon but also Washington, California, Arizona, Montana, Alaska and even as far as Canada.

"It's exciting to see so many students from so many backgrounds and experiences coming together for a common goal," Max McNally, Associated Students of LCC vice president, said. Over 40 LCC students attended, including students from ASLCC, the Black Student Union, the Queer Straight Alliance, the Council of Clubs, The Torch newspaper and the Oregon Student Public Interest Research Group.

The NWSLC consisted of 117 workshops and seminars and four keynote speakers. USA Today, Campus Point and the Campus Progress co-sponsored the event.

The workshops were geared towards training and increasing students understanding on

subjects such as effective time management students have to have good organizational and information and experience back to their schools and become more productive student leaders. Also, the NWSLC offered an opportunity for many of the student groups to coordinate meetings in which they discussed the common aims of individual chapters of each group from its respective college.

"I think it was really good for various student groups to get together and coalition build and brainstorm about where leadership is going for students. Each group does something unique and each group has different strengths ... In that sense I thought it was really great. There were a lot of workshops that were really, really helpful, a lot of information exchange," Amber Alexander, OSPIRG LCC chapter chair, said.

Some other seminars and workshops included student lobbying in preparation for the upcoming legislative session, current political issues, helpful environmental practices, leadership development, starting various student organizations, media communications, and preventing negative and racial bias on campus.

"I thought it was extremely educational. It was a productive networking tool," Jonathan Morton, an ASLCC senator, said. "I think it's important because as students we hope to make up our society. In order to do this effectively, progress in society."

Several LCC students ran workshops at the event. ASLCC president Dan Dawson ran a workshop on addressing issues that community college students might face. Student Body Vice President Max McNally held a workshop focusing on running an effective meeting. ASLCC State Affairs Director Josh Canaday and former LCC student Marilen Delgado discussed how to organize a commuter campus in a workshop they

Former LCC student Brett Rowlett held several seminars discussing student lobbying. LCC counselor Mark Harris held a workshop; which discussed the issues of 'surviving as a person of color in a largely white organization.' Chicano/Latino Student Program Coordinator Jim Garcia hosted a workshop titled Corridos, or "story songs," from the Xicano movement. LCC's Oregon Student Association campus organizer Alejandro Juarez also ran several workshops.

"It was a great experience to be with some of the best leaders around the country especially from the Northwest. I feel everybody learned a lot from the conference, ... And in the future I think we will be able to further advocate on student issues and student needs on campus,"

More effort, money used for peace

Lane Peace Center will educate about non-violent communication in the community

> Willa Bauman News Editor

This year, LCC is using the funds from an endowed visiting scholar fund donated three years ago to support and expand upon peace studies.

"We're planning a conference on peace and democracy in February, we are developing a lecture series using the money, and we are exploring integrating parts of our existing curriculum into a peace studies program," Mary Spilde, president of LCC, said. Author and activist Norm Soloman, who recently spoke at LCC, was part of the Peace Center's lecture series.

Three years ago, an anonymous donor gave \$1 million to the college, expressly to assist in and expedite the development of an emerging, significant college initiative. This year, the endowed funds that support a visiting scholar were used in the native languages program to teach Chinook-Wawa language curriculum at LCC. "We continued to offer that class in partnership with other community colleges and universities," Spilde said.

In addition to the proposed lecture series and peace studies curriculum, Spilde reported in a Nov. 9 Board of Education meeting that a visiting scholar aspect is on the table. "We had talked about bringing experts from the Rosenberg Institute, scholarly work is around the issue of non-violent communication, so bringing someone in would not only build our own capacity around the issue of non-violent communication, but it would also enable us to share with the community," Spilde

Lane's Peace Center, as the program is to be called, "is committed to fostering peace in ourselves, our community, nation and world. We recognize that peace is rooted in social, economic, political, racial and environmental justice," the Peace Center's website, stated. The center is expected to offer an Associate of Arts Transfer (AAOT) Degree in peace studies, as well as credit-based certificate programs to meet the needs of businesses, organizations, and community members in Lane County. An annual "Peace and Democracy" conference, scheduled for Feb. 28, 2008, is also in the works to bring speakers, authors and peace activists to the

Peace Center. "This is a very fledgling effort," Spilde said, "But I think it has great potential, both in terms of program, FTE generation and reaching out to the community. The staff that are working on this are very excited."

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No Cash Clothing Stash redressed

No shirt, no shoes, no money, no problèm

Lana Boles Features Editor

The No Cash Clothing Stash at LCC sits above the gymnasium in Building 5, where the sounds of upbeat dance music from the aerobics class below drift up into the newly improved space where the racks of free clothing and shoes wait for students to take them home.

In addition to redecorating, the No Cash Clothing Stash is making a lot of changes. It was ratified as a club by ASLCC in October, which has enabled it to branch out into a more independently run operating unit with the ability to fundraise and advertise.

"It's being run as a student workstudy job... and it's also a club now so it's got a lot more support," Tina Lymath, the Clothing Stash staff adviser said.

"Part of the reason ASLCC ratified us into a club and let us go is because they used to own us... we are a non-money making asset. We cost money, according to them. The truth is we are a tax write-off," Kristy Johnson, president and manager of the No Cash Clothing Stash said.

The Clothing Stash costs very little to operate, occasionally requiring money for cleaning supplies, paper, the telephone line, and clothes hangers. "The Clothing Stash is not revenue based, so when they ask for money, they need money for supplies," Lymath said.

Although LCC spends a nominal amount of money on the Clothing Stash through employing students in the work-study program and providing \$300 per year for supplies, it operates as a not-for-profit program



Photo Curtis McCain

No Cash Clothing Stash, located in Building 5, Room 301, offers free clothing to students.

and has very little overhead.

There will be a fundraiser with baked goods, baby blankets, and handmade quilts in the cafeteria on Nov. 16, 19, and 20. All the money raised will go towards maintaining and improving the Clothing Stash.

Another way the Clothing Stash raises funds is by offering muffins and other snacks for just 50 cents, as well as hot tea, coffee, and hot chocolate. "We realize it's cold at the bus stop ... come up grab something warm to drink and join us in the No Cash Clothing Stash while you wait," Johnson said.

The Stash resembles a misplaced thrift store, next to the scoreboard

above the gymnasium. There is one clothing rack in the cafeteria, but the main location of the Clothing Stash is in Building 5, Room 301.

Reaching it requires climbing up a few flights of stairs, which makes it difficult, if not impossible for students with disabilities or older students to access it.

The No Cash Clothing Stash Club is hoping to move to a new site that is more accessible to all students.

The student senate will decide in May whether or not to allow the Clothing Stash to move to another location

"Mainly what I'm wanting to change the Stash into is a small

retail store, without having to sell anything," Johnson asserted.

Students can get five free items each day from the Stash. "The purpose of the program is to give free clothing to students," Lymath said.

Clothing donations are accepted anytime and the Stash's staff will even pick up the donations if necessary.

The minimal hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. "We try really hard to stay open until 5 and then on Fridays we try really hard to open at 10," Johnson stated.

"This is a unique opportunity here on this campus, not very many schools offer this," Johnson said.

New degree gets Board approval

Willa Bauman News Editor

The LCC Board of Education approved a plan for a Water Conservation Technician degree presented by science faculty members Tammie Stark and Roger Ebbage on Tuesday, Nov. 6.

The Water Conservation Technician Degree provides training for students to preserve one of Earth's natural resources by learning how to design, implement and activate water conservation techniques. "Water is the most precious resource for all life, human and otherwise," Stark said. "We require it for everything we make. Even computers need water."

Stark said that this field of employment is becoming increasingly important. "The population for Oregon is supposed to double by 2050. Some small areas have already experienced water loss," she said. "This is made worse by economic growth, increasing pollution and

climate change. The climate change trends show the snow pack is declining." As the snow pack melts, water run-off in the spring lessens every year, creating serious water shortages across the world. This is the situation Stark hopes a Water Conservation Technician Degree will help remedy.

Stark noted that there are many jobs open to graduates of the program. Local facilities like Eugene Water and Electric Board would be very receptive to graduates, Stark continued. "Graduates with an associates degree earn \$30,000 and more annually. The program benefits the college, the state and the community. It helps retain existing energy management students by getting internships through cooperative education."

When the plan for the degree was being presented to the board for approval, Board member Roger Hall asked about how the program was to be funded. "The five new classes will be funded from external sources,"

Sonya Christian, vice president for Instruction and Student Services, said. This means that no programs will have to be cut in order for the college to offer a Water Conservation Technician Degree, a funding process known as substitution. "We have excellent leads and we're working with municipal organizations and we see overwhelming feedback from this," Stark said.

Because the plan was only approved on Nov. 6, Stark has yet to collaborate with any student groups at LCC. "I'd like to start more outreach," she said. "I'll start more aggressively on getting the word out.

I'd like to work with OSPIRG (Oregon Student Public Interest Research Group) and student government. I'd like to try and get women and minority groups that might not have had as many education opportunities. It's not a field that requires a tremendous amount of physical labor. It's not rocket science, but it's really important and satisfying work."

Campus launches fundraising campaign

Willa Bauman News Editor

Lane Community College launched the Opening Doors fundraising campaign this year, which will "Open Doors to a Healthy Community" by raising money for the Health and Wellness Building and "Open Doors to Achieving your Dreams" for student scholarships and innovations.

Now in a 'quiet phase,' the amount of the campaign is \$22.75 million, which includes \$6.75 million received from the state for a new Health and Wellness Building. The college has to match this amount with its fundraising.

The Opening Doors fundraising campaign will not only benefit the Health and Wellness Building, but also

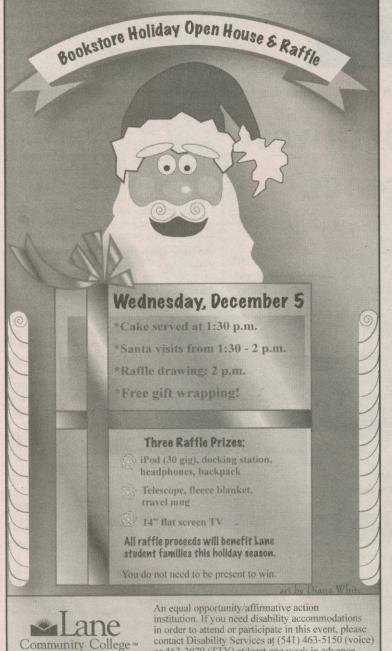
is expected to contribute \$3 million for scholarships and \$1.5 million for a fund for innovation.

This fall, the Opening Doors campaign

will be added to the combined United Way and the Lane Foundation internal campaign. Mary Spilde, president of LCC, said in her Fall 2007 in-service speech that staff and faculty are generally very supportive. "When I go out to ask a donor to give \$100,000 as a leadership gift or \$1 million, one of the questions I often hear is "are the people that work at Lane invested in this? It really helps to be able to say that 100 percent of

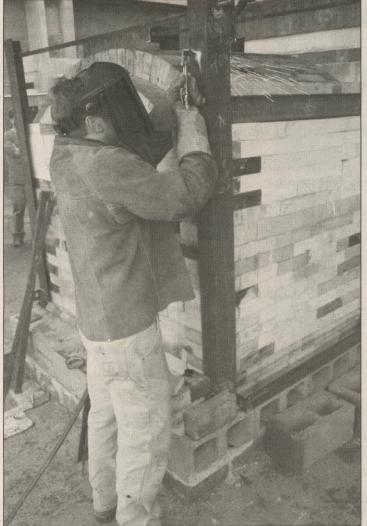
often hear is "are the people that work at Lane invested in this? It really helps to be able to say that 100 percent of our staff and faculty are given to this campaign," she said.

"I encourage all employees to join me in supporting the vision of Lane's future by joining me in the campaign," she said.



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Lee Imohen, sculpture instructor, is helping with the steel work that supports the kiln. The salt-fired kiln is being built between Buildings 10 and 11 after several years of waiting.

Ceramics students to complete bio-diesel kiln this month

Sustainability and an urge to create, link art and science departments

> Cheryl Rade Reporter

Designing and building a kiln from scratch may sound like a daunting task, but for six ceramics students at Lane Community College and their instructor, it's a labor of love that should be completed this month.

"There has been a demand for a kiln-building class here," said Rohr, a ceramics instructor at LCC since 2004. "This is the result of desire on the part of the students."

Rohr explained that the kiln, which is under construction between Buildings 10 and 12, is being built entirely by members of his independent study ceramics class. "Building a kiln is a great learning tool," he said. "We really believe in learning by doing.'

Each student helps in whatever way he or she can, Rohr said, from creating the design to cutting and laying the

Materials for the kiln, estimated at \$16,000, were provided by a Portland company called Harbinson-Walker Refractories. This company usually services large industries, Rohr noted, but will often make donations of its overruns.

The ceramics department already has several kilns, Rohr added, including both gas and electric varieties, but the new kiln will be the first one at LCC to use bio-diesel fuel. He noted that bio-diesel has a better smell, much like potatoes, than regular diesel and can be derived from kitchen oil waste. 'We can use oil from kitchens here [at LCC]," he said. "It's a recycle thing. You know, reduce, reuse, recycle.'

Rohr, who holds a master of fine arts degree from Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, moved to the

Eugene area eight years ago where he, along with his wife, also a ceramics artist, created Pleasant Hill Pottery. He explained that for his business, he builds and utilizes wood-

Regarding the bio-diesel kiln, Rohr explained that this type of kiln has a very high temperature. "Once we get this going, this goes up to 2,380 degrees Fahrenheit or 1380 Celsius," he said, adding that manipulating the atmosphere of the kiln can alter the glazes on the clay. Along with the bio-diesel kiln, he stated that there should be enough materials to build three or four more kilns for the ceramics department.

Rohr noted that the students involved in the kiln construction are thrilled about the project. "We have wanted to do this [build a kiln] for a long time," he said. "The students want to learn this technology.

Christy Cooley, 29, a member of the independent study class, said the group began construction the second or third week of the fall term. "Hopefully, we'll be done in a couple of weeks," she said, noting that she has placed a few bricks in the kiln, even signing her name to one of them.

Another student, Will Cannon, 24, said the students are eager to complete the kiln construction. "I've been coming every day," he said. "We just kind of all do what needs to

Cannon explained that there is nothing really all that difficult about building a kiln; it's really a matter of diligence. He added, "You have to keep proceeding. We have to build a tool out of the material we have available, which means making a lot of creative adjustments as you go to get the structure that you need.'

It's really about having a good time, Cannon concluded. "It's sort of an adventure because you don't know how it will fire, but that's what's fun about it, that element of anticipation, that unpredictability."

LCC program offers support to veterans, service members

Transition is eased through Student Veterans Resource Center

> Cheryl Rade Reporter

The transition into college life can be challenging for any student, but it can be even more challenging when that student is a service member or a military veteran.

To aid in this transitional process, Lane Community College recently opened the Student Veterans Resource Center, a program designed to help veterans cope with the stresses and strains of college life. The office is located in LCC's Counseling Center in Building 1, and managed by Ben Hier, 26, a member of the National Guard who served in Afghanistan.

Hier explained that the primary function of the program is to help veterans, service members and their families with the progression from military life to a school environment. "We provide assistance and support to the necessary resources on campus and the community," he said. "The intent of the center is to get them [the veterans] to the resources that are out

Elaborating, Hier noted that many veterans, especially those who have never experienced life in academia, might have difficulty knowing where to go to obtain the information they need. He stated that SVRC refers veterans to numerous agencies throughout the community, some of which include the Eugene Vet Center, VA Vocational Rehabilitation and the Career Transitional Assistance Program. SVRC is fortunate, Hier stated, to be located in LCC's Counseling Center, which allows veterans the opportunity to access many campus resources such as



Ben Hier, a member of the National Guard and manager of the Student Veterans Resource Center stands in front of an American flag at the SVRC in Building 1.

academic advising, career assistance, and even substance abuse counseling. "It's in an area that has so much to offer and there are so many people here to help," he added.

Jerry de Leon, interim director of LCC's Counseling Center, agreed, pointing out that the resource center is important because it provides support to a special population with special needs. "We know there are a lot of students coming out of the military and many find it [college] to be a foreign world," he said. "It can be stressful."

The resource center is different from LCC's Veterans Center, de Leon explained which focuses more on filling out paperwork and accessing VA benefits. "This program [SVRC] is about the student service side of things, what it's like to be a student and a veteran," he said.

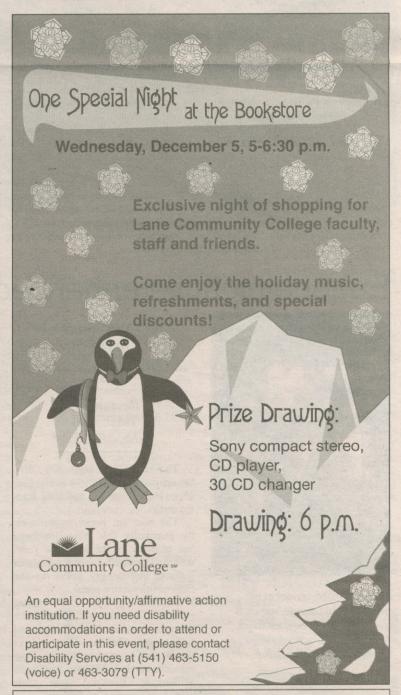
Hier, who holds a history degree from Portland State University, advised that his primary goal at the center is to "gain and retain" veterans or service members at LCC. "The

whole idea of retaining is so important to any of the students on campus," he said. "We talk about diversity, but there are many kinds of diversity... veterans are a part of that."

B.J. Jones, a disabled navy veteran who plans to attend LCC next term, said he is impressed by the center's focus on helping veterans and was especially impressed by the fact that Hier himself is a service member. Jones, who served as a hospital corpsman, said it is good to know that someone like Hier runs the resource center and added, "Just the fact that he [Hier] knows what I've been through relieves my anxiety."

Jones, 46, plans to begin classes at LCC next term and eventually hopes to transfer to Oregon State University to pursue a degree in health promotions. He noted that Hier's help has been invaluable, referring to him as the "provider of subject matter."

Hier smiled and responded, "He's right. I'm not the subject matter expert, but I can get you to the people



Guest speaker to be at LCC

John Frohnmayer, former Director of the National Endowment for the Arts during the administration of George H.W. Bush will be at LCC on Monday, Nov. 19, from 11:30 to 12:30 in the south end of the cafeteria as a guest speaker. Frohnmayer is currently running as an Independent for the U.S. Senate seat against Senator Gordon Smith. For more information contact Steve Candee, Political Science Instructor at LCC at candees@lanecc.edu.

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Photo Curtis McCair

David Carmack Lewis stands with one of his paintings featured in LCC's Art Gallery from Nov. 19 to Dec. 7.

Darkness and solitude in final fall exhibit

Artist and storyteller responds to exhibition call to display his work

Nicole Perkins
Arts Editor

David Carmack Lewis, an Oregon resident, has brought his original paintings to LCC's art gallery. Lewis' work often encourages viewers to create their own ideas about the subject matter.

"I tell stories," Lewis said in his artist's statement. "They may not have beginnings or endings but they are stories none the less. The story itself remains unclear, intentionally so. Perhaps it would be more accurate to say that these are invitations to

stories.'

Lewis' paintings found their way to LCC during a call for exhibitions the art gallery placed in the magazine "Art in America." Jennifer Salzman, LCC art gallery director, explained that Lewis' work was juried and he was chosen out of 200 applicants.

Dark shadows and solitude are primary themes in Lewis' paintings. He plays with the colors of a dark space when just slightly illuminated by a fire or similar dim glow. Lewis explained this fascination in his artist's statement: "I love fires. And it is in the dark, huddled around the rather dim and flickering light of a fire, that stories were first told."

"I personally love the whimsical feel to his paintings," Salzman said of Lewis' art. Lewis' work will be on display in the LCC art gallery located in Building 11 from Nov. 19 to Dec. 7.

Thanksgiving holiday comes early for vegans

EVEN hosts peaceful potluck at LCC for third year

Nicole Perkins
Arts Editor

Thanksgiving will come a few days early for friends of the Eugene Veg Education Network. The third annual all vegan Peaceful Potluck is an opportunity for people to meet, eat and educate others on the vegan lifestyle.

Lin Silvan and husband Robert Jacobucci founded EVEN, a local nonprofit organization, in 2005. Silvan explained that EVEN's mission is to educate people on the benefits of a plant based diet to one's self and the planet as a whole.

Silvan and Jacobucci started the Peaceful Potluck to "focus on the real meaning of Thanksgiving: one of compassion," Silvan said. "We try to raise the bar when thinking of compassion. We extend that to every creature."

Silvan explained that the way Thanksgiving is commonly celebrated did not feel right to her. "It's one of the few days of the year where we celebrate by killing," she said. "There should be another way to celebrate than taking the life of another creature."

About 70 people attended both of the previous potlucks "We're hoping for more than that this year," Silvan said. She explained that it's an open event to those who are vegan or not. "What we want people to know is that we can have a celebration with loved ones and food, and extend the circle of compassion to the rest of the planet."

The potluck will take place at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 18, in the LCC cafeteria. Attendees are told to bring a vegan dish that would serve at least six people. A vegan dish may not contain any animal products including meat, poultry or fish products, and no eggs, dairy or honey. For more information on EVEN or the potluck, visit www.eugeneveg.org or call

Vegan Pumpkin Pie

Here's the traditional dessert, but made without eggs. It has the usual mellow flavor and smooth texture.

Have an unbaked 9" pie shell ready.

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Combine in a processor for the filling:

10-1/2 oz. package of soft tofu, in chunks 3/4 cup brown sugar

> 3 Tablespoons unbleached flour 16 oz. can of pumpkin

1-teaspoon vanilla

1-teaspoon cinnamon

1/2-teaspoon nutmeg

1/4-teaspoon ginger

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Process filling until smooth.
Pour into shell. Bake pie for 10 minutes; reduce the heat to
350 degrees. Bake for 45 minutes more. Remove from oven and cool. Cut
into 8 slices. (280 calories per slice). You may wish to top each slice with a
spoonful of tofu whipped topping.

Tofu Whipped Topping

Blend thoroughly in a food processor or blender:

10-1/2 oz. package of silken tofu 1/4 Cup safflower oil pinch of salt

1/3 Cup confectioner's sugar 1-teaspoon vanilla Blend until smooth. Keep chilled.

Credited to Dr. Neal Barnard, Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine

Eugene nightlife enhanced by The Starlight Lounge



Ryan Brown, bartender at the new Starlight Lounge, stands at front door of the new establishment, which is located at 830

Olive in downtown Eugene.

Nightclub looks to attract night owls and support local business

Review by: Isaac Viel Editor in Chief

The Starlight Lounge, 830 Olive St., opened its doors to the public Oct. 25 to packed crowds and long lines for drinks.

The new bar hopes to build on the popularity that West Broadway has enjoyed in the last few years with college-aged drinkers who have become increasingly savvy to the Eugene microbrew scene.

Founded by Jo Dee Moine, owner of Luckey's, along with business partners Faye Sander and Julie Anna, the bar delivers beer that is only brewed in Eugene. Beer selections include Ninkasi, Steelhead, Willamette Brewery, and their neighbor, Eugene City Brewery.

"We are proud of the high quality products made right here in our local community! It's fun to know the brewers personally and support them. Plus, how cool is it to have a beer with the brewers sitting right at the bar? That's why we don't sell Budweiser,"

To carry on the idea of promoting local industry the lounge is also offering a host of locally distilled spirits garnished by fruits and bitters which are grown locally and sold at Eugene's Farmer Market.

"This is a fantastic way of supporting our community," Anna said. "For locals and visitors alike, The Starlight is the place to sample all the unique beverages that Eugene and Oregon have to offer."

After spending a few hours in the new establishment and getting used to the swank new digs, I was impressed. The interior was about what I expect of any establishment so bold as to call itself a lounge, including funky red lights hovering over a seemingly endless rack of martini glasses.

What impressed me most is the

large area near the entrance with plenty of black leather couches and tables that offers a more intimate setting than standing at the bar listening to drunk after drunk trying to order Pabst Blue Ribbon.

Because the bar is all new, so seems to be the staff behind it and while having to listen to overly inebriated conversations is part of what makes going to any bar fun, having to do so for over 30 minutes at a time can be a bit tiresome.

It was only their second night so I can't be too hard on the bartenders. They were extremely friendly which is a lot to ask when you have nearly 30 people clawing over each other for \$1 shots of Patron.

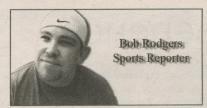
Besides being bumped around for 30 minutes waiting for a drink, and another 30 for my card I so recklessly gave to the barkeep with the usual instructions of "keep it open" in hopes of keeping the gin and tonics coming at a steady pace, I really enjoyed the new lounge. I can only hope that the trend of new establishments coming to downtown Eugene will continue.



LAST WEEKEND FOR THE THREEPENNY OPERA, NOV. 15 – 17 IN LCC'S PERFORMANCE HALL.

The Lane Symphonic Band and Lane Chamber Orchestra will share the stage for two performances on Sunday, Nov. 18, at 4 p. m. and Tuesday, Nov. 20, at 7:30 p. m. in LCC's Performance Hall. There is a suggested donation of \$5-10 or \$3-5 for students.

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How much does a championship cost?

would give his or her blood, sweat and tears for a championship.

We know this, because it is one of the most overused clichés in sports history. I pinky swear to never use it in or out of context ever again.

Don't be fooled though. It takes money to win championships and lots of it. Just ask Major League Baseball, the only American professional sports league without a salary cap. What does that mean? It's like a kid in a candy store.

Over the past ten years, the Evil Empire otherwise known as the Yankees, has spent \$1.02 billion on payroll. Coincidentally, that's the gross national product of Belize. The top 10 out of 30 teams in MLB spent \$1.2 billion on player salaries in 2007.

Does it spell victories? You bet. Seven out of the last 10 World Series winners were in the top 10 of payroll for that year. MLB teams with the highest payrolls won an average of 43 percent more games per year compared to only 13 percent in the National Basketball Association with the highest payrolls.

It's pretty simple. Buy the best players and your team will win more games than the other dirtbag teams of MLB. Why even spend money on coaches, maintaining the ballpark, buying new uniforms and equipment when you could use that extra money to buy even better players?

Okay we've established that there is a salary cap in every other professional sport and that you can't just go out and buy the best players. So what does a championship cost? The cost is monetary sacrifice.

Take three-time Super Bowl champion Tom Brady of the New England Patriots for example. The man took a pay cut two years ago to allow two Pro Bowl defensive players to be re-signed to the team. Love him or hate him, that's how you get it done to win championships; by sacrificing that extra gold Ferrari.

In contrast, a man who has no clue on how to win a championship is Kobe Bryant. Together with Shaquille O'Neal, Bryant won three NBA championships. Bryant's ego and greed pushed Shaq to be traded away so that he could show the world how he could win championships all by himself. With Shaq gone, Bryant was able to re-sign his contract for one the highest in league history.

As common sense would have it, the Lakers aren't winning championships anymore and Bryant wants to be traded. Where's he going to go? Another team where he alone takes one third of the payroll, only to pay the other 11 players and coaching staff with the scraps? In an interview he once said he'd consider taking a pay cut to play for a winning franchise.

Seriously? Why go through the hassle of renting a U-Haul when you can just take a pay cut right now? Maybe you wouldn't have to move and the general manager could build a winning franchise around you. It's obvious Bryant was drafted out of high school, otherwise he might have benefited from taking Econ 101.

The moral of the story is: blood, sweat and tears just doesn't cut it anymore. I'm tired of hearing athletes whine about wanting to win championships more than anything ... Anything but money. That's the same stupid logic a brilliant man once said, "I would do anything for love, but I won't do that."

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Sophomore Heather Bishop uses her speed and agility to jam up two WWCC defenders towards scoring a goal at the 63rd minute. LCC lost the second round playoff game 4-3 on Nov. 10 LCC Head Coach Dean Smith orchestrates the action unfolding at the soccer fields in Walla Walla, Washington.

LCC soccer ends with last minute playoff loss

Bob Rodger Sports Reporter

The LCC soccer team came up short in its quest for an NWAACC title in a hard fought loss. The Walla Walla Community College Warriors beat LCC 4-3 on Nov. 10.

The lady Titans let the second round playoff game slip through its fingers allowing the game winning goal by number one seed WWCC with two minutes left to play

"It was one of those plays where the ball went out of bounds. Walla Walla got the ball inbounds and hit it in quickly. The girl (Corrie Mcneill) beat two of our defenders for a nice shot and just a great athletic play," Coach Dean Smith said.

NWAACC regular season leading scorer Candice Duffey put LCC in a hole early in the game by scoring two goals at the 17th and 22nd minute. The goals gave WWCC momentum and the lady Titans a play from behind mentality which they could not overcome.

LCC soccer would not be stifled, battling back with an unassisted goal from Leslie Clark at the 28th minute, bringing the game to a 2-1 advantage for WWCC at halftime.

"Anytime you trail a top ranked team it creeps in your mind you're trying to play catch-up, but Leslie Clark hit a shot and brought us back. Up to that point our set was to neutralize their players, but it took away from our attack. Leslie was able to penetrate and hit some shots on goal, but we weren't able to come away with more," Smith said.

After halftime the game started as a defensive struggle but at the 63rd minute Heather Bishop shattered all that by scoring an unassisted goal to tie the ballgame. The lady Titans could not build on that momentum by allowing WWCC's Corrie Mcneill to recapture the lead for the Warriors at the 73rd minute.

"The pace of the second half changed quite a bit because they [WWCC] have a very aggressive set. They have some really athletic people up front and were constantly pressuring. We wanted to condense our defense to support



LCC Head Coach Dean Smith orchestrates the action unfolding at the soccer fields in Walla Walla, Wash.

our midfield and defenders. We weren't going out as aggressive on our attack, but we wanted to quick strike counter attack. Usually we dictate the pace of the game. Walla Walla did a good job dictating the game." Smith said.

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Unfazed by the lead change,
Kori Wilgus assisted Emily
Wagner three minutes later to tie
the game again at 3-3. LCC's three
goals scored nearly matched the
total amount of goals the Warriors
had allowed all season.

"With around 10 minutes to go, I said we were making the push on them. You could visibly see their defenders were having a hard time. Our girls were really pumped at that point. It exposed their state of mind. It was a very evenly fought game at that point," Smith said

The lady Titan's strategy was to continue a balanced game, hold the other team defensively and attack when possible. The Warriors simply would not be denied. WWCC's Mcneill would put the game away at the 88th minute with the unassisted goal.

"My hat go off to them, Walla Walla had a very good team. We talked about putting out our best effort, I'm so proud of the girls' efforts. We have no regrets about our performance. Looking back at the season, we definitely

improved considerably from where we started and where we finished. It's disappointing to end the season like that, but everyone put their best effort when it counted," Smith said.

"This game was a championship or final four performance by both teams, it's a shame it was only a semi-final game," Smith concluded.

With the way the NWAACC playoffs were seeded, LCC could have had an easier road to the final four of the tournament; had it dropped games strategically at the end of the season to play in an easier bracket as a lower seed. Smith had considered that option but ultimately wanted to take the high road.

"I wanted to give the girls the best opportunity to shine and get the credit they deserved for all the hard work during the season," Smith said.

Sophomores Kori Wilgus and Heather Bishop will be big losses to the team due to graduation; but next season looks very promising for the lady Titans as they should be returning all but two players. "I've been around this area for a while, there's a solid talent pool here. I feel confident we can get kids that are athletic and have enough time to develop them. "If the players (from this year's team) come back and we can land some of the recruits, this team next year will be dangerous," Smith said.



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Dental clinic offers 'cutting edge' experience



Jackie Heady and Jennifer Miglioretto, both training to be dental assistants, take turns doing dental impressions on each other to practice the procedure.

Cheryl Rade Reporter

oanne Caputo, 22, has been interested in dentistry since middle school and has always had a good experience at the dentist's office. "I want to give other people a good experience," the second-year dental hygiene student at Lane Community College said.

Caputo, who hails from Portland, has nothing but praise for LCC's Dental Clinic and its students. "I love the clinic space," she said. "It's very well laid out. It's a good balance of hands-on experience and classroom learning." As for her fellow students, "They are all very studious people. Once you're in here, you have to work so hard," she stated.

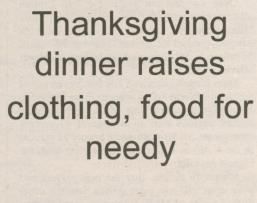
Another second-year student, Christine Brolin, echoed Caputo's sentiments about the clinic. "I love it," she said. "It is very new and updated." Brolin, 35, noted that she is also impressed by the dental clinic's lack of staff turnover, which allows for more consistency in learning.

Leslie Clark, a full-time faculty member and secondyear lead instructor at the clinic, said she is very proud of the facility and its many hard-working students. "What's cool about our program is that we are proving to be cutting edge," she insisted, stating that the dental hygiene program is difficult and academically demanding. "It's a tough program because you have to learn a lot of theory and you have to learn how to apply it." Clark, who has been with LCC's Dental Clinic for

more than three years, explained that the program provides dental care to members of the community, with a special emphasis on the needy. She said the clinic is composed of two sections: dental assisting and dental hygiene, with 20 plus students in each section. Clark noted that every year vying for enrollment becomes more competitive, with well over 100 applications. This fierce competition is good, she stated. "They [the graduating students] are very well qualified when they're done. Employers give us great feedback. They are able to find jobs and that is the bottom line. We want them to be employable."

Caputo, who will complete her studies in Spring 2008, already has a job lined up at a local dentist's office upon her graduation. Brolin, a resident of Salem who commutes daily to her LCC classes, expressed interest in working with her fiancé who currently attends dental school in Portland. "He and I could work together as a dental team for our community and maybe someday we could work abroad," she said.

All graduates are required to take the National Dental Hygiene Board examination, Clark explained, as well as two state practical examinations, clinical and anesthesia, in order to become licensed by the state of Oregon. She advised that a career in dental hygiene or dental assisting offers "good hours, a good environment and good pay." Regarding the latter, she said newly certified dental hygienists can earn anywhere from \$28 to \$40 per hour and dental assistants can earn between \$14 and \$16 per hour.



Whitaker School brings the community together to help those in need.

> Maria Mariscal Reporter

hiteaker Community Head Start Center is having a Thanksgiving dinner to bring together the community, offering free food and winter clothing to all attendees on Nov. 22 from

This year marks the 19th anniversary of the annual free Thanksgiving dinner held at the WSHSC. As a not-for-profit group, WSHSC organizes the event and the community comes together every year to make the dinner happen.

"Our slogan is neighbors helping neighbors," Beverly Farfan, Cooperative Education service learning coordinator at LCC and head organizer of the dinner said. Last year, the group raised nearly 300 sleeping bags and 200 blankets, Farfan explained.

A group of 10 people, headed by Farfan, gets together at the beginning of September to start planning the dinner, which generally serves more than 2,500 people. The students and faculty of the Culinary Arts program at LCC, including Clive Wanstall, Jeff Crosthwaite and Brian Kelly, do most of the cooking ahead of time.

The Teamsters Union, Local 206 in Springfield, as well as other local unions, help to provide the turkeys needed for the event. The group transports an average of 2,000 pounds of turkeys from Cash and Carry to the school where the event being held.

The monetary donations are not all that keep the WSHSC filling hungry stomachs each Thanksgiving.

There are about 600 volunteers each year, and most of them are assigned for two-hour shifts, which give the people an opportunity to meet each other and help on an emotional level to bring them together. "This dinner feeds the body, but we want to feed the heart and soul of many people that come her every year," Farfan said.

Many students from out of town and away from their families come to this dinner to volunteer and help out. "Many people come to the dinner for many reasons, whether it's to volunteer, eat a hot meal," Farfan said, "It is the day that the community come together to show respect and support for each

The Whiteaker School Head Start Center is located at 21 N. Grant St. in Eugene. Donations will be accepted at the dinner. For more information contact Whiteaker Community Dinner at 485-8179.





USSA executives Vice President Carmen Berkley, left, and Student of Color Campus Diversity Project Director Scott Lu, right, discuss the upcoming Leg-Con with students from LCC during their visit on Oct. 13. Leg-Con is the legislative conference that USSA organizes to bring students together to rally and lobby Congress, March 2008 in Washington D.C.

USSA pays visit to Lo

The nation's largest student run group discusses current issues

> Megan Johnson Managing Editor

On Oct. 13 members from the United States Student Association made a visit to Lane Community College to check up on the member school and to touch bases with the Associated Students of LCC.

USSA is the country's oldest and largest national student-led organization, which aims to develop current and future leaders and to amplify the student voice at the local, state, and national levels by mobilizing grassroots power to win victories on issues that effect students such as rising tuition costs.

Carmen Berkley, vice president of USSA, said that the main goal behind the visit was to see where the Associated Students of LCC are in terms of organization and to talk with them about current legislative issues affecting students.

Of the 50 students that sit on USSA's board of directors, five of them are from Oregon.

"I hope to see the culture of LCC," Berkley said. "It's important that a community college organize because they are a part of a community, and when everyone works together more things get accomplished."

Berkley also said that she liked the fact that TRIO, the opportunity outreach program, had its own office at LCC and that it was clearly marked, because some colleges she has visited do not market their programs as well.

Berkley said that some of the current issues that USSA is focusing on are the Budget and Appropriations bill and the Higher-Ed bill.

'We cannot balance the budget on the backs of students," Berkley said.

USSA will also be conducting Leg-Con, Legislative Conference, in Washington D.C. from March 15 - 18. Students from all over the country will come together to rally and lobby in hopes of gaining needed votes from Congress.

'We want Student Government to be there. But we also want student organizations and members from the community to be there as well," Berkley said.

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'Do you feel that studying peace is important in our society?'



Jennifer Eaves Pre-physician assistant

"I think it would be nice to have that class, so people could look and understand the true meaning of peace. It would help people get ideas to improve peace in the world."



Ryan Thorne

English literature

"It is important, of course, to study the dynamics of peace in a globalized world. We are at a threshold of violence and chaos in the world community and we need to study and evolve our methods of peace."



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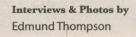
"I think it would be a good idea because a lot of people probably want a class on peace. My motto is: If you don't like the class, don't take it. Don't ruin it for the people that are interested."



Gary Fawbush

Undecided

"Yes, I believe war means the same as peace."





Karen Richey

Fitness specialist

"Absolutely. I feel so strongly about peace that I spent a summer protesting at the Pentagon. It's important because there is no way to peace. Peace is the way."

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Please attend a Community Conversation, and help the board plan for your education and training needs.

Tuesday, Nov. 20, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Springfield City Hall, Library Meeting Room, 225 Fifth Street. Hosted by board members Pat Riggs-Henson, Pat Albright, and Susie Johnston

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Hosted by board members Bob Ackerman, Pat Albright, and Tony McCown

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