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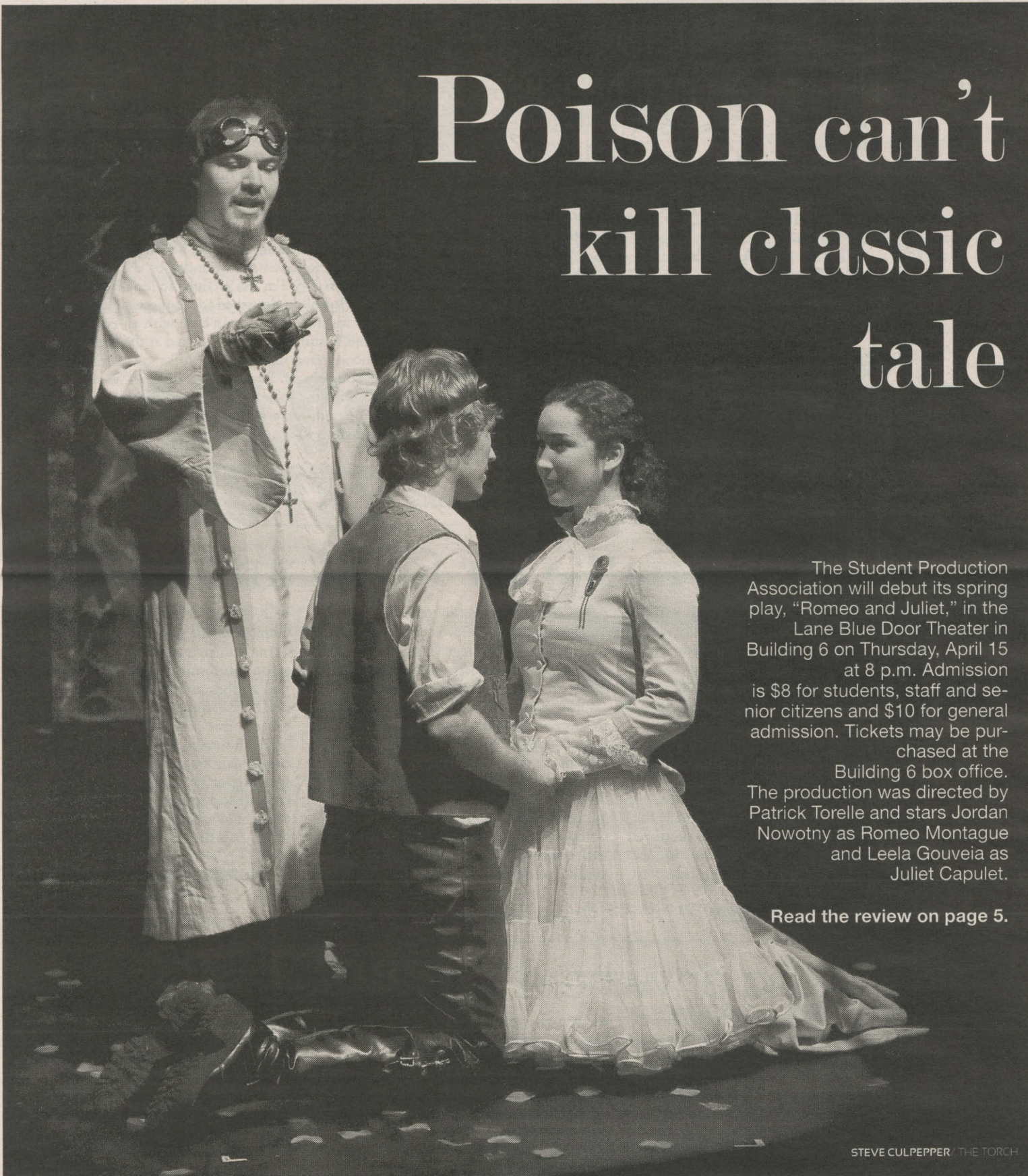
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Poison can't kill classic tale



The Student Production Association will debut its spring play, "Romeo and Juliet," in the Lane Blue Door Theater in Building 6 on Thursday, April 15 at 8 p.m. Admission is \$8 for students, staff and senior citizens and \$10 for general admission. Tickets may be purchased at the Building 6 box office. The production was directed by Patrick Torelle and stars Jordan Nowotny as Romeo Montague and Leela Gouveia as Juliet Capulet.

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STEVE CULPEPPER / THE TORCH

Student government a 'life changing experience'

Applications to run in the upcoming election are due April 20

ANDY ROSSBACK | News Editor

James Manning, current president of the Associated Students of LCC, wandered into the student government office three years ago and hasn't left since. There has been no shortage of useful experience, he said.

For him, heading to board meetings, registering people to vote and helping people understand what they are voting for — on top of classes — is fun.

"It can be a bit stressful, difficult and hectic sometimes," Manning said. "But I feel more prepared to translate what I have learned ... about working with people into the workforce."

He believes he has grown greatly as a person because of his work in student government.

"I have gained a knowledge of the way that an institution, such as Lane, really works as well as gaining some real professional experience," Manning said. "Anywhere you go will be different but

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Surplus discussions continue

ASLCC's proposal for a \$300,000 budget reserve needs more info, board says

EDER CAMPUZANO | Managing Editor

The Lane Board of Education agreed to have the Associated Students of LCC further research its proposal for the \$300,000 surplus in the college budget during the April 14 board meeting.

The surplus came from reserve funds that were held by Lane in the event of the failure of measures 66 and 67 during the January election. The source of the reserve was a \$3 tuition surcharge.

Student government's proposal included providing funding for an open

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THEY'RE WITH 'COCO'

Conan O'Brien kicks off his national tour in Eugene to a sold out crowd

EDER CAMPUZANO
Managing Editor

Dozens of people sporting "I'm with Coco" shirts and posters could be seen around the Hult Center April 12.

Conan O'Brien's "Prohibited from Being Funny on Television" show debuted in Eugene that night, kicking off a national comedy tour.

O'Brien began the show by detailing the seven stages of grieving the loss of a late night talk show. The first stage was denial, followed by self-blame and then blaming

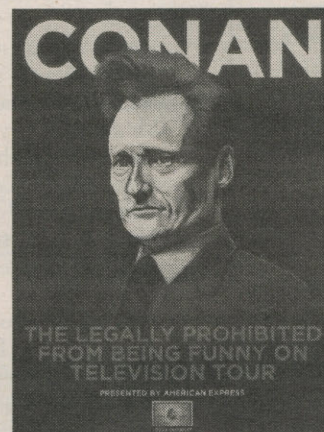
everyone else but himself. The last stage in coming to terms with the loss of your own show?

"Get your ass to Eugene, Oregon!" shouted O'Brien.

If he learned anything during his three-month absence from television, it's that "I have no marketable skills," he told the sold-out crowd of approximately 2,500.

The show put to rest rumors and speculation regarding the ownership of some of O'Brien's most popular characters and gags, including

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OFFICIAL TOUR POSTER

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Correction

The source of the \$300,000 college budget surplus was falsely attributed in the April 8 issue of The Torch. The surplus originated from a \$3 tuition surcharge. ASLCC meets at 3:30 p.m. in the Building 3 boardroom.

STELLA & SPOTTY



GUEST COMMENTARY | Wendy Simmons

Change is in the air for Main Campus

Come Fall term 2010, Lane will join the ranks of hundreds of community colleges across the country, including Mt. Hood, Oregon Coast and Portland that have chosen to address the dangers of secondhand smoke exposure through the adoption of a tobacco free campus policy.

Last spring, after reviewing the results of a 2008 campus-wide student and employee survey, as well as holding several discussions on the pros and cons of a tobacco-free campus, the College Council made the decision to ban the use of tobacco products in the core areas of campus and to relocate a handful of designated smoking shelters to

peripheral areas in parking lots.

Although this policy is not without controversy, the College Council made the right decision to protect the health and safety of the Lane campus community, assuring equal access for all of us by passing this important public health policy.

Secondhand smoke from cigarettes presents a significant risk to the health of others. The U.S. Surgeon General has concluded that there is no risk-free level of exposure to secondhand smoke. Even outdoor exposure can present a serious health problem for some individuals. According to our survey done in the Spring

of 2008 with 5,200 respondents (800 employees and 4,400 students), 64 percent of our students said they were bothered by secondhand smoke at our campus and support a tobacco-free campus. More than 65 percent of employees surveyed supported a tobacco-free campus.

Additionally, more than 25 percent of our student population has asthma and many report being physically affected by secondhand smoke. The survey indicated that the number of smokers at Lane is small. Less than 11 percent of students and

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GUEST COMMENTARY | James Ready

Smoking anywhere is a privilege, not a right

"This note was a promise that all men, yes, black men as well as white men, would be guaranteed the unalienable rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." These words, spoken by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. summarized what the civil rights movement was striving for: equal rights and treatment. But what happens when rights come into conflict with one another? This is clearly what is happening with the current debate about the changing smoking policy on campus. The right to life is coming into conflict with the pursuit of happiness.

At risk of alienating some of my friends who smoke I say this — In this case, happiness is an optional right that is conflicting with a mandatory right to live. The fact of the matter is that you do not have to smoke. This is not something your quality of life would suffer from if you were to stop this minute. In fact, there are mountains of studies that suggest it would improve your life.

People have to breathe. There is no way around this, so I like to call it a "mandatory right." Something that must happen without question. I fail to see the "discrimination" in imposing a ban on smoking when people who smoke are violating my right to breathe.

When you smoke in an area that is not a smoking area, you are putting lives at risk. Your secondhand smoke can cause count-

less complications and diseases. When this happens to people who are doing nothing more than sitting and waiting for the bus, it is only then that you are discriminating against people who want to live.

Let's not kid each other — a lot of people don't smoke in designated areas, especially when it rains in the fall, winter and the start of Spring term. We all see people who smoke under walkways, under bus stops, or anywhere but smoking areas that aren't covered. I have no sympathy for people in this situation. Smoking is not something you need to do. It's something you want to do. There are "No Smoking" signs all over the place and some people smoke right in front of them. The people who do this make it hard for me to breathe when their smoke passes by my face. If it's raining and you want to stay dry, then I suggest you don't smoke.

Secondhand smoke is a "known human carcinogen," according to the American Cancer Society, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. National Toxicology Program and the International Agency for Research on Cancer. Tobacco smoke contains over 4,000 chemical compounds. More than 60 of these are known or suspected to cause cancer. Not only do you pass this through your lungs when you smoke, you also pass this on to people around you when they breathe in your smoke. I have heard some pro-smoking

lobbyists and people who argue that secondhand smoke isn't as bad as firsthand. "It is chemically similar to the smoke inhaled by smokers, and contains a number of carcinogenic compounds," stated by the EPA in a 1994 document called "Setting the Record Straight: Secondhand Smoke is a Preventable Health Risk."

I would imagine that neither the framers of the Constitution nor Dr. King had smoking in mind when they campaigned their respective causes. The simple fact remains that smoking is not an inalienable right. The freedom to do as we choose, while great, shouldn't be taken lightly. We shouldn't hide behind that freedom and use it as a knee-jerk excuse every time we do something from fighting to attend college naked to wanting to smoke in people's face. If you so desperately want to smoke in an area that is more resistant to nature's wrath, then I suggest you get petitions going for covered smoking areas. Please stop comparing the right to smoke to voting, racial equality, or civil rights. It belittles and demeans the people who fought and died for those worthwhile causes. Smoking has not, nor ever will it be, on the same level as the struggles campaigned by Harriet Tubman, Martin Luther King, Malcolm X, or any of the thousands of unsung heroes who have fought and died for far more noble causes.

James Ready is a Springfield resident

GUEST COMMENTARY

Mark Harris

Don't make fun, try to understand

Amanda in Tom Robbins' first novel "Another Roadside Attraction" says, "There is no such thing as a weird person, some people require more understanding than others."

There was a time when it was normal to restrict non-white people to the back of the bus, or forbid them from riding the bus altogether. In that time, the white mentally ill, or developmentally disabled were institutionalized. People who were poor and black stayed at home, or were part of communities where they were treated if not with skill, at least with understanding of the origins or roots of their condition. Allowances were made for their behaviors, because people knew them and their family.

Dillon Blanks' column illustrates for me how times have changed. Non-white people, the developmentally disabled, the mentally ill and others who require more understanding than your so-called typical white bread and mayonnaise "normal" person, have been freed from their social strictures and institutions and can ride the bus together. They can interact with understanding, or not so much understanding.

I'm both a member of the press, and a person with training and paid skill, in a society which chooses to put more resources into making war than healing the veterans of war or people who have been wounded by the "normal" levels of social toxicity. I'm less inclined to look humorously at the people Dillon described in his piece, and more inclined to look for the back-story in each with an eye for prevention and healing. I admit I smirked at the descriptions, having encountered some of those folks in the community and on the bus myself. But my anger and my rational action is reserved for the society that created them, sustains them in their condition and withholds understanding and true healing from them.

Mark Harris is a Lane counselor

THE SENTRY PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

This weekly section lists the more newsworthy incidents that Public Safety gets involved in to keep campus safe. Some details are omitted to protect the identities of the individuals.

INCIDENTS:

April 5

Suspicious vehicle: 8:02 a.m. — Public Safety officers located an unattended red Kia Rio in Parking Lot B with the trunk open and a backpack lying on the ground. Officers located the owner shortly after.

Elevator problem: 10:04 a.m. — The south elevator in the Center Building stopped functioning on the fourth floor with people inside. They were able to get off on the first floor. Public Safety officers said the elevator seemed to be working normally.

April 6

Suspicious conditions: 3:29 p.m. — Someone was reportedly asking people to sign a petition for Greenpeace, but also asking for credit card information, near the bus station. Public Safety officers asked them to go through student government before petitioning.

April 7

Animal check: 10:47 a.m. — A caller reported two deer hanging out by a fence on Gonyea Road. He thought one deer may be caught in the fence and in danger of being hit by a car. Public Safety officers checked on the deer and they did not appear to be in distress.

April 8

Suspicious conditions: 11:17 a.m. — A women's restroom in Building 16 smelled of burning plastic.

April 9

Smoke: 9:48 a.m. — Smoke was reported in The Child Care Center. The building was evacuated. Goshen Fire Department arrived at the school at 10:02 a.m. People were allowed to reenter all buildings except Building 24, which was being aired out.

Medical emergency: 10:41 a.m. — A woman was complaining of chest pains in Building 18. Paramedics arrived shortly after to assist the woman.

Suspicious conditions: 11:55 a.m. — Public Safety office received three calls about a disruptive woman claiming her purse was stolen in Building 3. The purse, which had been left unattended, was returned to the owner.

Information: 11:30 p.m. — A Public Safety officer observed two vehicles stopped at a gate but lost sight of them while attempting to make contact. The officer later stopped one of the vehicles, a teal Ford F150 with three males in it, on Eldon Schafer Drive and asked how they got past the gate. The driver said the gate was open. The officer later found that the gate had been disassembled. Housekeepers assisted the officer in replacing the gate.



JAVIER MAGALLANES / THE TORCH

Tickets for Conan O'Brien's "Prohibited from Being Funny on Television" tour sold out within hours of going on sale. O'Brien started the tour April 12 at the Hult Center.

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Triumph the Insult Comic Dog and the "Walker, Texas Ranger" lever, a device that airs a random clip from the Chuck Norris action drama when pulled. Both intellectual properties joined O'Brien onstage at some point during the show.

The 32-city tour kicked off in Eugene hours after O'Brien officially announced that he would be returning to television in November. His new show will air at 11 p.m. on TBS.

Tickets for the "Prohibited" show sold

out within hours of going on sale. Postings for orchestra seating tickets on Craigslist could be found for up to \$250 and mezzanine seating for up to \$100 the day of the show.

Lane alumnus Jane Whitmore almost resorted to buying her ticket from an acquaintance for \$100. Fortunately, the Hult Center had a second round of tickets for sale April 3 and she snagged an orchestra seat for \$60.

"I wouldn't miss this for the world," she

said. "I'm so glad he decided to start the tour in Eugene."

Sean Douglas, 46, bought a pair of \$60 orchestra tickets for himself and his son the day they went on sale from the Hult Center website.

"We watched Conan together every night before he was cancelled," Douglas said. "I parked myself in front of the computer about 10 minutes before the tickets went on sale and didn't leave my computer for anything until the transaction was done."

ELECTION

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the format will be most likely the same."

Barbara Delansky, adviser of ASLCC, agrees that student government is a way for students to grow professionally and personally. She said that students who join up tend to become emotionally intelligent, patient and better with time management and personal organization.

Manning believes that the most important part of student government is providing a voice for students to the administration and faculty.

"Students are the biggest stakeholders in Lane — tuition is the main source of revenue," he said. "We should have a say in the policies of the college just as much as the administration." Often, students' voices are heard, he added.

Sitting at the same table as administrators allows students to have a say in what happens at the college.

Delansky added that the administra-

tion has always taken ASLCC seriously and valued their input.

The influence of student government is not strictly local. Members also travel on a state and national level to give their two cents.

"We do run many other campaigns that help students at Lane, as well as around the state, by our work with the Oregon Student Association," Manning said.

In recent years, these state and national campaigns have worked to increase college accessibility and affordability for students, he added.

In addition to the professional benefits and influence, some positions include a monthly stipend and 12-credit tuition waiver. Student government also provides funding to a variety of services on campus that otherwise would not be here such as childcare, recreational sports, legal services and student clubs, Delansky said.

She believes the work can sometimes be difficult but it is well worth it. "It's harder than most people expect, but the learning opportunities are also more than you'd expect," she said.

How to run

"Student government can only work if students are willing to be involved," the election packet states.

Those interested in running for a position in student government may pick up an application in Building 1, Room 206. The application must be completed and turned in to Building 1, Room 210, by 3 p.m. on Wednesday, April 21.

Students interested in running for president must run on the same ticket with a vice president. The other positions that will be determined in the election are treasurer, campus events, multicultural program coordinator and up to 10 senators.

Voting, takes place on ExpressLane, May 4-6 at midnight. The results will be announced May 13.

For more information about the function of student government, visit <http://www.lanecc.edu/aslcc/>.

For more information about the election process, call Delansky at 541-463-5337 or ASLCC Legal Secretary Bette Dorris at 541-463-5365.

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News Briefs

KLCC wins 16 awards

KLCC radio has won 16 awards from the Oregon Associated Press. The awards included Best Use of Online Medium, Best Treatment of a Single Subject, Best Light Feature Story, Best Public Affairs, Best Sports Reporting, Best News Writing, Best Use of Sound, Best Hard Feature Story, Best Web Site Overall Excellence and Best Breaking News.

For more information, visit <http://tinyurl.com/y82sf8h>.

Lane wins national marketing honor

Lane has won gold, silver and bronze awards in the Paragon Awards. The Paragons are sponsored by the National Council for Marketing and Public Relations, an affiliate of the American Association of Community Colleges.

The gold was for a single print ad, the silver was for an ad series and the bronze for a computer-generated illustration.

Tracy Simms, director of Lane's marketing program, developed the ads and the Achieving Dreams campaign theme with

the assistance of Funk/Levis and Associates of Eugene.

Bloodmobile to be on campus

The Bloodmobile bus will be on campus taking blood donations April 20-21.

For more information, call Vicki Doughty at 541-463-5055.

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Campus career fair approaches

The 2010 Career Fair, "Guiding Your Vision," will occur in the Center for Meeting and Learning on Wednesday, April 21, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The event is free and open to

Lane students and community members. For more information, visit <http://lanecc.edu/ces>.

Library celebrates National Poetry Month

The Lane Library displays poems submitted by students, staff and faculty in recognition of National Poetry Month in the library and on the library's Facebook page.

On May 13-14, Kay Ryan, U.S. Poet Laureate, will visit campus for a public reading and discussion with students.

Students can drop off their handwritten or word-processed poems at the library reference desk, e-mail them to reference@lanecc.edu or post them to the library's Facebook page.

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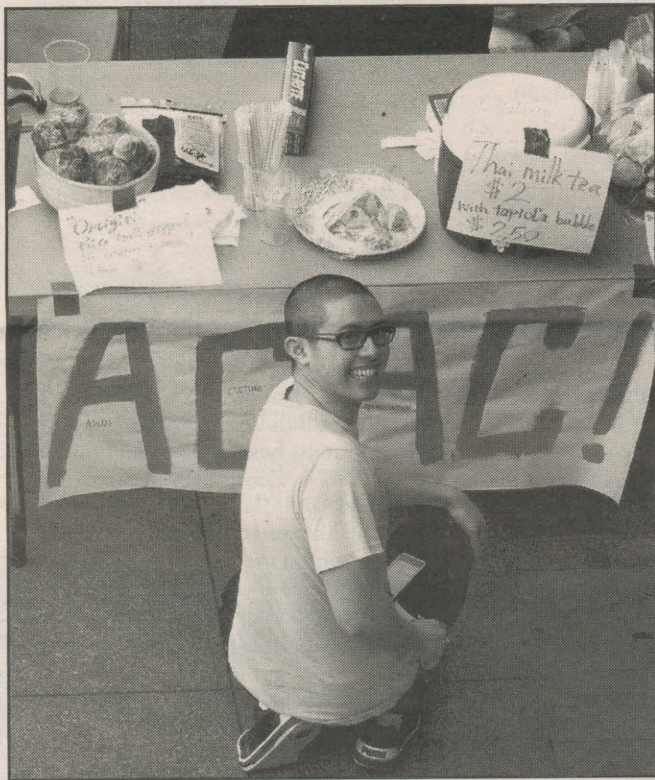
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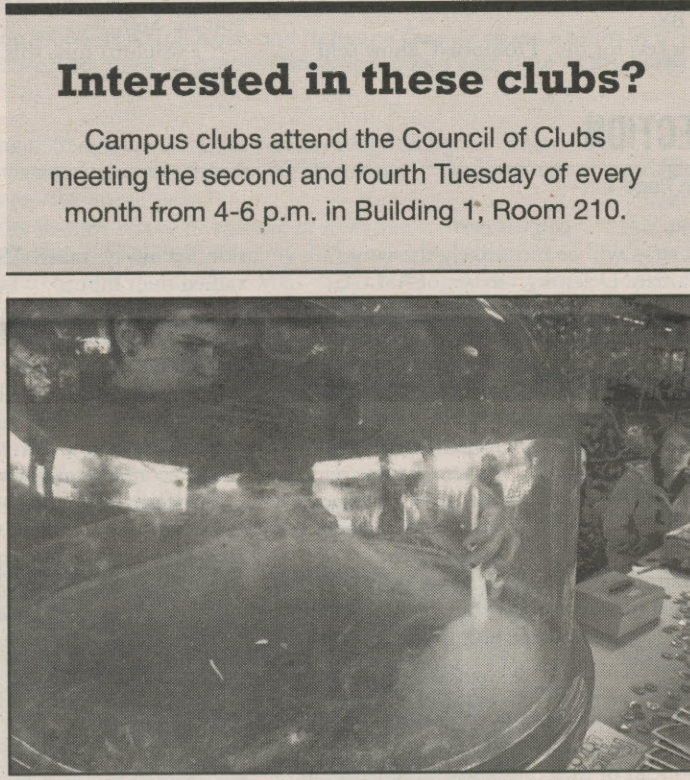
EUGENE JOHNSON / THE TORCH

Club leaders socialize with students during the Council of Clubs Activities Fair in Bristow Square on Main Campus Wednesday, April 14.



JAMES ANDERSON / THE TORCH

Brian Huynh assists with the Lane Asian Culture Appreciation Club table at the Council of Clubs Activities Fair.



ANDY ROSSBACK / THE TORCH

Christine Hurst of the Hope Club serves up cotton candy at the Council of Clubs Activities Fair.



ANDY ROSSBACK / THE TORCH

Eric Sanders, captain of the Lane Debate Club, discusses capitalism with Brody Pelletier at the Council of Clubs Activities Fair.



Recruiting for 2010-11 Student Service Associates

Interested applicants must:

- Have completed at least 6 credits at LOC
- Be in good academic standing
- Be enrolled for 6+ credits each term (fall, winter and spring) of the 2010-11 academic year

Do you enjoy helping others?

Would you like to share your knowledge of Lane with other students?

Consider becoming a peer mentor!

The Counseling Department is now hiring!

Apply online: www.lanecc.edu/ces and click on **Lane Job Connection**.
Online applications are due Friday, **April 30th by 5:00 pm**.

For information visit **Career and Employment Services** in Bldg 1/Rm 102.

Contact: Christina Salter, 463-5813 or Tammy Simpson, 463-5296

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REVIEW



MASUMI CARLSON / THE TORCH

Romeo Montague (Jordon Nowotny) weeps as he finds his love, Juliet Capulet (Leela Gouveia), has drunk a bottle of poison.

S.P.A. Spring production brings classic story in 'Romeo and Juliet'

BRANDY DOMINGUEZ | Assistant A&E Editor

Student Production Association's spring play is "Romeo and Juliet." This classic story has seen many settings — from the Elizabethan Era to a post-apocalyptic future. The tale rages with suspense as the two starry-eyed lovers join each other in secret holy matrimony.

Family feuds, drug dealers and love slaves are all involved in this religious setting. The lovers believe God has brought them together, for their love reflects their Christian faith.

Director Patrick Torelle has succeeded in keeping the classic story straight while adding his own charismatic flair. The

costumes are as marvelous as the characters are exuberant. The setting is a wall with arches holding a balcony. A spectacular cast complements a simply elegant set.

Romeo Montague (Jordon Nowotny) and Juliet Capulet (Leela Gouveia) are joined by great chemistry in an everlasting love until the end of their days.

The setting and characters are well accompanied by popular music that adds to the mood of the characters' emotions. Lady Gaga's "Bad Romance" launches the first scene.

One of the many highlights of the show is the fight and

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JAVIER MAGALLANES / THE TORCH

The chorus (Kimberly Wilson) narrates the story throughout the play.



JAVIER MAGALLANES / THE TORCH

Mercutio (Johnny Rogers) dies in the arms of Romeo and his gang shortly after Tybalt Capulet stabs him.

Top 5

Places to grab a brew and a bite in Eugene

CHRIS COOPER | A&E Editor

While Eugene is full of incredible bars, these five stand out as unique to the city.

1. The Jackalope Lounge

The Jackalope is the kind of place where you can meet up with a friend for a drink and then end up needing to call someone for a ride home. Getting sucked into the welcoming atmosphere is not an uncommon occurrence and the sociable staff employed here only compliments the great food and amazing drinks that this bar offers.

Best Drink: Lynchberg Lemonade

Best Dish: Sliders

Address: 453 Willamette St.

Phone: 541-485-1519

2. The Loft at Turtles Bar and Grill:

It's not just a clever name, this bar has a loft that overlooks the bar and pianist below. The dim lighting sets the mood for a great date or a relaxing drink with friends. On top of the great environment The Loft creates, it offers the full Turtles menu with its wide variety of edible options.

Best Drink: Disco Lemonade

Best Dish: Grilled Cheese Sandwich

Address: 2690 Willamette St.

Phone: 541-465-9038

3. McMenamens Brewery and Café on High Street

The three McMenamens locations in Eugene to choose from are as diverse as the people that inhabit this fair city, but the High Street location stands out. This is the only location that offers the Stormin' Norman sandwich and an outside patio with a fire pit.

Whichever location you choose make sure and try the Rubinator, the perfect mix of McMenamens brewed ruby ale and Terminator Stout.

Best Drink: Rubinator Ale

Best Dish: Stormin' Norman (Bacon, mayonnaise and tomatoes on a hoagie roll)

Address: 1243 High St.

Phone: 541-345-9405

4. Eugene City Brewery

Located on Olive Street next to Jameson's and across the street from Horsehead, Eugene City Brewery is owned and operated by Rogue Brewery and offers a change of pace from the usual four corners bar scene. Make sure and stop by on Wednesday evenings and try your luck at free bingo to win prizes and food. Whenever you decide to stop by, you won't be disappointed in the food and beer selection.

Best Drink: Morimoto Imperial Pilsner

Best Dish: Kobe Blue ball Sandwich

Address: 844 Olive St.

Phone: 541-344-4155

5. Luckey's Bar

If you haven't visited Luckey's, you haven't experienced Eugene. How many bars do you know of where you can play pool while listening to a live band? It seems that there is always something going on at Eugene's oldest bar, including amazing drink specials like \$2 Stoli Tic-Tacs or \$1 Spiced Rum and cola.

Best Drink: Irish Car Bombs

Best Dish: It's up to you

Address: 933 Olive St.

Phone: 541-687-4643

Honorable Mentions: Diablo's Downtown Lounge, Sam Bond's Garage, Starlight lounge, and The Horsehead.

THIS WEEK @ 3:43

Joseph Hart

Pianist Joseph Hart will perform at 3:43 on Friday, April 16.

3:43 is a weekly Friday concert where Lane musicians perform.

Hart had decided to take on music therapy as a career choice after an auto accident. He took on the piano and from there has begun to pursue his career. Hart will be playing his rewritten version of "Coin Song" from the popular video game, "Final Fantasy VI."

Hart will perform Friday at 3:43 p.m. in Room 121 in the Lane Performance Hall, Building 6.

— Brandy Dominguez, Assistant A&E editor



JAVIER MAGALLANES / THE TORCH

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“We definitely try to work towards having a welcoming environment.”

-Cims Gillespie, Co-op resident

Students find an affordable alternative in Co-op housing

DAVID BRANHAM | Asst. News Editor

“This place is love,” Lane student and Lorax resident April-Kay Williams said.

Tucked away on Alder Street is a group of houses where students can live, learn and work together. Student-run co-ops like The Lorax offer their tenants affordable housing, freedom of expression and control the environment.

Examples of students taking advantage of this can be seen from the inside and outside of the house. Scrap art is used to form planters and archways in the front yard.

Rooms are adorned with trees cut from the pages of a book, stages painted onto the walls where a projector screen plays videos and positive messages adorn the walls with character and ideals of those who live there.

Students that live in the co-ops both run and own them. This offers a unique opportunity for growth through the participation required to maintain the house, Associated Students of LCC Vice President and Lorax resident Sam Bennington said.

“It’s a rewarding way to live, but it’s not for everyone,” Lane International Relations student and Campbell Club resident William Baillie said.

The Lorax offers many educational aspects, according to University of Oregon student and resident Sydney McNulty. “You can learn any skill you want through the people you live with,” she said.

“I’ve learned a lot about DIY — or do it yourself,” Baillie said. “We try to take care of everything ourselves. It gives you a major sense of accomplishment.” A lottery drawing for daily jobs and elections for others is conducted at the beginning of each academic term.

Elected positions consist of the usual, such as a treasurer and office organizer. Other positions include bike driver and a position in Conflict Resolution Action Committee. The committee has “an open door policy if you’re feeling overwhelmed or have any problems with your housemates or house as a whole,” Williams said.

Lottery jobs, also known as “hand jobs,” are general house jobs such as cleaning the bathrooms and recreation rooms,



University of Oregon students Aaron Koch and Rebecca Conner share a room at the Campbell Club, a Co-op complex for student housing located next door to the Lorax on Agate Street.

sorting mail and handling the freezer, fridge and grill. “These are jobs which use your hands,” Williams said. “They feed us and keep the house clean.”

“I’ve learned not to be spiteful or hold bad feelings for people,” Baillie said. “[With] so many different viewpoints, there’s bound to be one you disagree with. They can be persistent and get on your nerves.”

Bennington pointed out whiteboards set up in the dining room where housemates write requests for groceries or meals. Next to it is a whiteboard that displays jobs for the house and when they are to be done. “Everyone can help, no jobs are exclusive,” UO political science major and Campbell Club resident Cims Gillespie said.

Issues or ideas for the house are handled by consensus at

Sunday meetings. These are decided by votes utilizing thumbs. A thumbs up means “good for me, good for the house.” Thumbs down means “blocked,” which ends the request. A thumb turned sideways means “bad for me, good for the house,” which allows the motion to continue.

Each house comes equipped with a library, community bicycles, a bike shop, attic storage space and common rooms.

There is an application process to become a tenant and the house residents decide on the right candidate. “We definitely try not to be limited, to be aware of our biases and work towards having a just and welcoming environment,” Gillespie said.

Upon acceptance there is a \$60 fee that provides lifetime membership to the North American Students of Co-Operation. Members can move to any affiliated co-op in the nation with advanced notice.

Applicants also pay a \$15 fee that goes to an expansion fund to finance the next co-op the group is currently shopping for.

Two washers and dryers provide laundry services for the occupants in each house. The machines usually break down every six months, but are serviced through the company the co-op rents from.

“[It’s fulfilling] when your dinner turns out well and everyone says ‘thank you’ and how much they like it,” Monica Joseph, who just transferred to UO, said while preparing dinner for Sunday Sushi.

The Campbell Club has a working beehive and beekeeper that provide honey for the house. Bands form and women’s dance troops meet inside the co-op. A quesadilla stand recently opened outside.

“During the daytime it’s pretty dead [and] in the nighttime it gets pretty lively,” Baillie said. Prank wars often happen between the houses, he added. Rotten fruit and water balloons are common projectiles.

Co-ops started during the industrial revolution when textile workers were losing their jobs and ways of means to machines. By pooling their resources as a group, they found they could get by.



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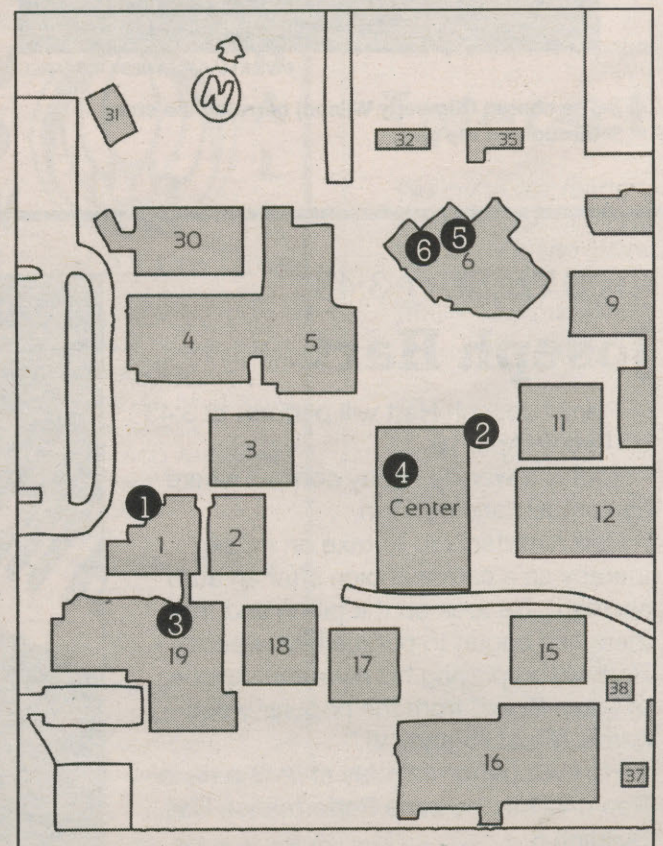
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dance choreography that is so naturally conveyed. Not only does the vibrant lighting set the mood for these scenes, but it also creates feelings of lust and suspense throughout the play.

This exotic performance leaves the audience with a new feeling of Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet."

The performance continues April 15-24 every Thursday, Friday and Saturday, with a matinee on

Sunday, April 18. Doors for the Sunday matinee show open at 1:30 p.m. and starts at 2 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday the doors open at 7:30 p.m. and the show starts at 8 p.m. at Lane's Blue Door Theatre in Building, 6.

Tickets are \$8 for students, staff and seniors and \$10 general admission.

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TOBACCO-FREE

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less than five percent of employees reported smoking daily. Seven out of 10 smokers want to quit and this new policy will assist them in that process.

The Tobacco Free Campus policy is also in line with Lane's core value of sustainability and will save approximately \$10,000 per year that we currently spend picking up and disposing of inappropriately discarded cigarette butts.

Additionally, Lane can expect to see a drop in the number of on campus fires, similar to what other tobacco-free colleges have reported experiencing.

To help with the transition to a

tobacco-free campus, Lane will continue to provide tobacco cessation services through our Health Clinic. We will also have nicotine replacement therapy available in the bookstore Fall term. Individuals who are interested in quitting can contact the Health Clinic at 541-463-5665 for an appointment today, or contact free services available through the Oregon Tobacco Quit Line at 1-800-QUIT-NOW. For more information on Lane's Tobacco-Free Campus policy, visit <http://lanec.edu/tobaccofree>.

Wendy Simmons is a Lane Employee Wellness Coordinator

ASLCC
EVENTS

Lane Community College Elections!

Positions up for Election:

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(must run together)

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Campus Events and Multicultural Program
Coordinator

Senators

April 5: Applications and information available.

April 20: Deadline for Filing Applications
NO EXCEPTIONS

May 10, 11 & 12 Voting Starts on Express Lane! Students can vote on computers on or off campus.

For more information; Speak with Bette Dorris in Bldg 1. Room 210B

Register to Vote with the ASLCC Student Government for Spring Primaries! Look out for a great fun event on April; 14, 21, and 27! Final day to register to vote will be on April 27, 2010.

Solutions Committee meeting at 12:00-2:00 p.m. in Bldg. 1 Room 212. Next meeting times to be announced next term.

The Learning Garden Work Party from 2:00-4:00 p.m. every Thursday at Learning Garden.

Learning Garden Meetings Times. Mondays 4:00 p.m. Bldg. 1 Room. 222.

Council of Clubs meets every second and fourth Tuesday of the month in Bldg 1. Room 210 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Vagina Monologues

April 21. Performance Hall Main Stagr.

Two showings — first at 4:00 p.m. Second at 8:00 p.m.

\$10 admission fee for Lane Students and Staff Volunteers needed. Contact celebratevagas@yahoo.com if interested.

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OSPIRG's got it in the bag



JAVIER MAGALLANES / THE TORCH

OSPIRG campus organizer Mike Reagan and chapter chair Katie Taylor bag lunches for the homeless and the hungry to promote the organization's "Hunger and Homelessness" clean-up campaign. OSPIRG had a booth at the Activities Fair to promote their cause.

BOARD

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source textbook program, moving OSPIRG and the No Cash Clothing Stash from their current locations and other miscellaneous projects.

The board asked student government to research how much each project will cost to ensure that none of them will be left unfinished. One of the original proposals for the surplus was to provide each student a \$36 refund on their Spring term statement.

ASLCC President James Manning presented the proposals to the board. Manning said that students would see a higher return from the development of an open source textbook program than a refund.

Among other topics the Board of Education discussed that night were a proposal from The Torch to secure a \$1 increase in student fees to offset the newspaper's rising cost of production and possible plans for a new Downtown Center, which would be located across the street from the Eugene Public Library on 11th Avenue. The college plans to purchase the site from the city for \$1.

The Board of Education will meet again May 12 at 6 p.m. in Building 3, Board Room.

Plans for \$300,000 budget surplus

Development of an open source textbook program.

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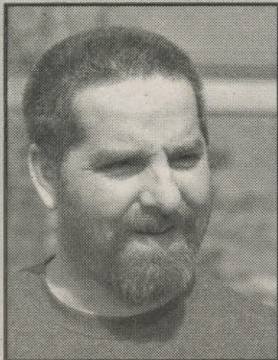
THINK ABOUT IT

“If you could have any superpower, what would it be and how would you use it?”



Juniper Amuk
French

“Be able to turn rocks into food. I would use it to feed myself and other people.”



Dwayne Thomas
Computer Networking

“Read minds to help people out of their problems.”



Sunny Dyer
Undeclared

“I would probably choose teleportation to see the whole world and everything, maybe Japan.”



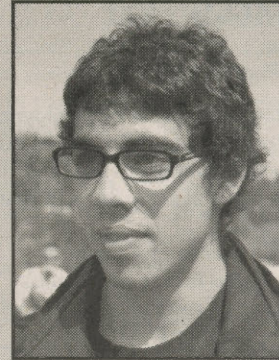
Chal McCoulough
Computer Engineering

“The power that magically makes people not stupid. I would use it to make sure people aren't wronging other people with stupidity.”



William Wood
Multimedia

“Captain stay-hard! Self explanatory.”



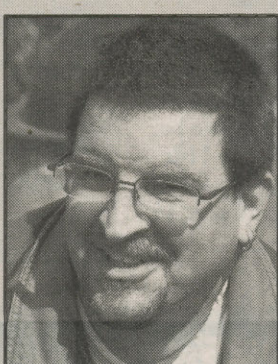
Stew Patterson
Undeclared

“Be able to see the truth no matter what ... like being able to see what's real.”



Christina Carmichael
Nursing

“The power to bring peace ... around the world, and not only peace on the global [level], but also inner spiritual level.”



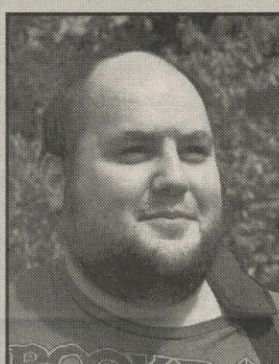
Gary Fawbush
General Studies

“Concentration. Just to help people.”



Erin Giegoldt
Undeclared

“I would want to teach because so many people are uneducated and lack common sense.”



Adam Leonard
Theater

“Better human kind because if you have a great power, you should use it with great responsibility. I also may [use it] to be famous, too. Attention is good.”



Megan McCombs
Philosophy

“I'd use it to ease any possible pain in the world. I'd probably try to think of how I shouldn't use it ... because I could just go bad very quickly.”



Gulistan Machacek
Peace Studies

“I would like for all of humanity [to] evolve to the point where they understood that we are all equal and they are really good at cooperating with each other.”

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Enjoy helping others? Want to share your knowledge of LCC with other students? The Counseling Department is now hiring Student Service Associates for the 2010-11 school year. For information go on-line to <http://www.lanecountyarea-na.org> and click on Lane Job Connection or visit Career and Employment Services in Building 1, Room 102. Applications are due Friday, April 30, by 5 p.m.

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Cartoons wanted. Submit to The Torch at torcheditor@lanecountyarea-na.org

If the idea of God scares you, you need a new idea of God. Center for Spiritual Living. 390 Vernal St., off of Coburg Road. Service at 10:30 a.m. on Sundays. Everyone is welcome.

CD release concert for Halie Loren's fourth classic jazz album, "Stages." Wildish Theater 630 Main St. at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 17. Tickets \$10.

Experience Japanese Culture with the Japanese-American Association of Lane County. For membership and activity information, contact Mike Takahashi. 541-968-6017.

Balanced Nutrition Nutrition knowledge for fitness enthusiasts. Locally owned and operated. 4222 Commerce St. off of West 11th Avenue, across from Wal-Mart.

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LCC Recovery Center offers information and referral, support and individual and group counseling services for substance abuse and related issues. Student Services in Building 1, Second Floor.

POETRYpotpie in the Lane Library for April. Poetry from students, staff and faculty will be displayed in recognition of National Poetry Month. Submit yours at the Library Reference Desk.

Romeo and Juliet will be playing in the Blue Door Theatre, Building 6. Grab your tickets today, they're selling out.

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