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DOWNTOWN CENTER

### What do you want in your dorm room?

College seeks student input regarding housing at new downtown complex

EDER CAMPUZANO | Editor

As plans for the construction of LCC's new downtown campus commence, college administration is looking to students for feedback concerning one of the project's more unique aspects — housing.

Pyatok Architects, Inc., the company contracted to design the \$15 million building, has hosted two student advisory group sessions, which are intended to gauge what students want in a housing project.

Curtis Caton, principal architect for the firm, says the feedback Pyatok receives is invaluable because the new downtown building will be a "flagship for responsible development," and an invaluable resource for LCC students.

Executive Dean of Student Affairs Helen Garrett has presided over both meetings and insisted on contributions from attendees.

We want to get a sense of what you guys are currently living in," she told the group during the last student advisory group session.

Garrett says the input is invaluable because it will help LCC develop facilities capable of competing with other housing

As the headquarters for the college's sustainable practices and energy management programs, the new downtown campus has been designed with energy efficiency and environmental impact in mind. An air-conditioning-free ventilation system and storm

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### Campus goes smoke free

A 2008 survey showed overwelming support for the elimination of tobacco

MIKE PARTEE | Reporter

Some say change is in the air for LCC — chief among them are Employee Wellness Coordinator Wendy Simmons and Executive Dean of Student Affairs Helen Garrett. All of the college's campuses are officially smoke-free in order to comply with a policy enacted Spring term. The tobacco-free campus project was originally brought about by a 2008 survey that

showed overwhelming support for the idea. "We want everyone's time at Lane to be as happy and healthy of an experience as it can be," Simmons said.

She and Kate Barry, LCC's former executive dean of student affairs, co-wrote the policy with input from a variety of volunteers, including 2009-2010 ASLCC President James Manning.

The four new smoking areas on LCC's main campus will be on the outer perimeter of parking lots B, L, M and N where

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# HEALTH IMPROVEMENT

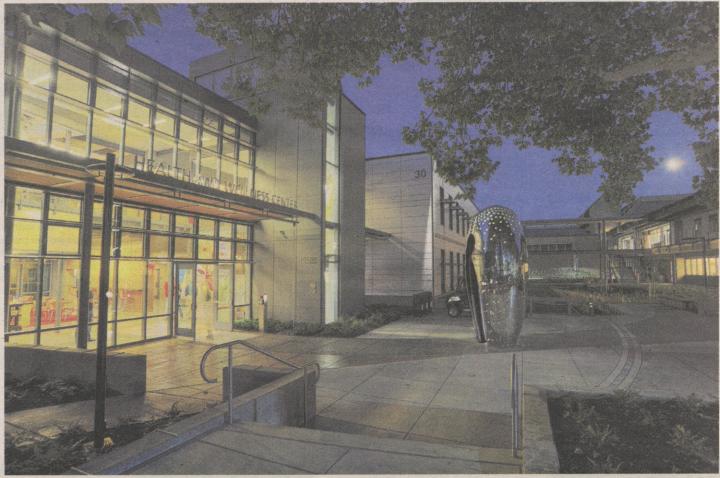


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The moon shows through trees in front of the Health and Wellness Center. The center opened on Thursday, Sept. 23.

# Health and Wellness Center is first new building on LCC campus in 10 years

EDER CAMPUZANO | Editor

on't be alarmed when you hear the new Health and Wellness Center on LCC's main campus breathes. Some might even say it's alive when classes start on Sept. 27.

The \$15 million project was designed with sustainability and energy efficiency in mind, and therefore was outfitted with a ventilation system that acts similarly to a pair of lungs.

When the weather's particularly hot, the building's vents open in the evenings in order to cool it down. During the winter months, the vents shut to trap heat.

The building was also designed so natural sunlight would penetrate the ground floor and has enough other energy-saving features to qualify for a gold rating from the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design program.

While students of several health- and fitness-related courses will relocate to new digs in the building, the dental hygiene, dental assisting and a few other programs will still call the old Health and Wellness Center home.

The building is LCC's response to the anticipated growth of the health care industry. We are keenly aware that there is a shortage of nurses,"

Health Professions Dean Sheryl Berman said.

The 42,000-square-foot building is the first new structure on the college's main campus in 10 years. A nine-foot tall walkthrough sculpture called "Living Vessel," designed by

Devin Laurence Field, welcomes visitors to the center. The Opening Doors program — a joint venture between the college and the LCC Foundation — was established to

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**11** Heroes are not giant statues. They are the people that say, 'This is my community and it's my responsibility to make it better."

- DONTYKESON, CO-CHAIRMAN OF OPENING DOORS



EUGENE JOHNSON / THE TORCH

LCC President Mary Spilde and Campaign Chair Tony Baker cut a ribbon Thursday, officially opening the Health and Wellness Center. The \$15 million project is the first new building constructed on campus in 10 years.

IN THE NEXT .

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Parking troubles

College officials urge students and faculty to ride the bus following a surge in enrollment.

**Meet the Titan** 

With a new logo comes a new mascot. Ty the Titan introduces himself to staff and students at LCC.

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# S.P.A. acquires rights to Broadway show

'Rent' begins its run in the Blue Door Theater, runs through October

CHAS CASSIDY | Reporter

LCC's theater season will open with a fresh, student-produced rendition of the popular musical "Rent" in the Blue Door Theater.

Following unfounded rumors that another local theater would be doing a performance of the beloved Broadway show, S.P.A. took interest in handling the production. "It got me wondering," said S.P.A. spokes-person Jordon Nowotny, who also plays central character Mark Cohen. "[It would be] a huge opportunity to show people that we can handle Broadway material."

Pasted against the stark backdrop of early-'90s New York City, "Rent' follows the lives of eight bohemians over the course of a year as they struggle to find love and create art in a reality haunted by the specter of AIDS.

"It's the quintessential rock opera," said actor Trevor Eichhorn, who portrays HIV-positive, transgender musician, Angel.

Heavily influenced by Giacomo Puccini's opera "La boheme," composer/playwright Jonathan Larson transposed the tragic Parisian love story into Manhattan's East Village. The narrative examines not only interpersonal relationships, but also the experiences that come with thriving outside the mainstream

themes of loyalty, connection, and identity juxtaposed with mass media, corporate greed, and isolation. Notable for presenting a sexually and racially diverse cast, "Rent" would go on to become the ninth longest-running musical on

Perhaps the greatest challenge LCC's cast faces in reproducing such a well-known play is maintaining a

level of individuality. Eichhorn says his portrayal of Angel is done with "more of a charm instead of a sassiness. It is written in such a way that it is naturally the most level-headed and loving role."

Nowotny makes an ambitious departure from previous incarnations of Mark, donning tweed and delivering staunch earnestness. " don't want to make him nerdy," Nowotny said. "This is a character, not a cartoon character."

Assistant Stage Manager Jesse Ferreira credits the cast as a group of very talented individuals.

Beyond a passionate cast and strong musical score, the dedicated technical crew behind "Rent" brings a strong sense of authenticity to the production, even if they didn't fully understand what was asked of them.

I got some really weird requests for the show," said prop handler Nicole White. "I had to track down a payphone for them.'

The play is also an opportunity

#### This weekend

"Rent" runs from Thursday to Saturday starting this week through Oct. 9. All shows begin at 8 p.m., with the exception of a 2 p.m. matinee on Oct. 3. Attendees should arrive 15 minutes prior to the show starting.

Tickets are \$15 for general admission, \$10 for students/seniors/ staff. Advance tickets can be purchased online at lanecc.edu/tickets or by phone at 541-463-5761.

to foster inter-departmental coop-

'We should raise money with this show that we can put into things the whole entire theater, music, and dance department can use," Nowotny said.

### **CHANGING LANES**



ANDY ROSSBACK

### Riots on the streets

Imagine a police helicopter's rotors twirling wildly in the air above the Center Building.

Imagine students rioting, screaming at police officers.

It happened once.

(Check out the video at You-Tube: http://tinyurl.com/5gn9bb).

There really were riots on the streets of Eugene, Ore. Just like

that Sublime song.
Okay, okay. The clip is actually from a 1970s movie called "Getting Straight" that was filmed on campus.

The main character, Harry Bailey, returns to college from Vietnam.

In the movie, Bailey voiced against reactionary administrators and misguided students who follow

"He acts as a mediator between the two feuding bodies," according to an Internet Movie Database plot

I want to be like Harry Bailey a crusader, fighting for the good of the people of this school. Don't

That's the best way I can describe this column.

Allow me to introduce myself. I'm Andy Rossback, and I hold one of those official sounding newspaper titles — managing editor, they call me. My real job is laying out the majority of the Torch each week.

I'll also write this column, here

on the Life page.

It'll be a lot about life at Lane. That's why we've named it "Chang-

In college, our lives change before our eyes. It's as unnoticed as a lane change.

I'll have you remember the simple things and make you wonder about the complex things.

I'll try to convince you of unbelievable things. If there's time: Some heart. Some tears. Some

So when you're waiting for hours at the Financial Aid center or hiking miles to the parking lot for a cigarette, pick up my column.

I grew up an Oregonian in a town that had as many trees as Eugene (until Weyerhaeuser cut them down). I'm from Coos Bay where I went to the same high school as Steve Prefontaine, almost 40 years

The similarities between us are uncanny, although I'm not an Olympic runner or an icon of Track Town, U.S.A. One of my legs is shorter than the other.

However, you probably don't care about my physical deformities, my high school or my opinions on forestry management — but you do go to Lane, so I can only assume you care about the quirks of this institution.

I'll try to bring the weird and the wacky, like rioting students and police helicopters. Maybe I can inspire some change too, like Harry Bailey. Thoughts? I'm just a click away:

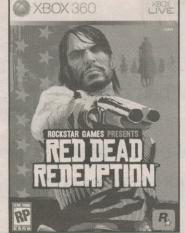
MOVIES, ALBUMS AND GAMES

# Summer's best



Ghost," "Touch Me Bad," and "Soldier in the Army" redefining pop music while sticking to the band's rock roots. There's no denying it - Steel Train will be a part of the rock landscape for years to come, and their self-titled album will forever be remembered as the record that put them there.

with such tracks as "Turnpike



#### **Movie: Toy Story 3**

Pixar Studios has a tradition of producing instant classics, and Toy Story 3" is no different. The film continues a few years after the second. This time, Andy's all grown up and is preparing for college. The toys, after years of neglect, ceaselessly try to discover ways to be played with falling short every time When they're accidentally donated to a day care, Woody, Buzz and the gang meet some of the friendliest and most devious characters in the franchise's history. Nearly every scene in the film is flawless - "Toy Story 3" is the perfect

way to say "good-bye" to the characters who single-handedly established Pixar as the animation juggernaut it is today.

#### Album: Steel Train - "Steel Train"

The third full-length album from the New Jersey quartet finds them reinventing their sound once again. This time, however, they are on their own completely, having dropped Drive-Thru Records and selfproduced the entire album themselves. The creative freedom the guys have enjoyed is evident throughout the LP,

#### Game: Red Dead Redemption

It's like Grand Theft Auto but with horses. And it's set in the Wild West. What more could a gamer ask for? A spiritual successor to 2004's "Red Dead Revolver," Rockstar's follow-up to "Grand Theft Auto IV" introduces us to reformed outlaw John Marston as he wreaks havoc - or justice, depending on your mood - in order to save his family. Players will ride, shoot and gamble their way through one of the most expansive worlds ever developed on a home console. It's up to you whether to cooperate with the authorities or deliver your own brand of vigilante justice. Whatever tactic you decide to employ, the ride is more than worth the price of admission.

# Most anticipated



#### Movie: Harry Potter and the **Deathly Hallows** Part I

At long last, Warner Bros. Studios is doing what fans had been wishing for since 2005's film adaptation of "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" and breaking the seventh and final book in the Harry Potter saga into two movies. Having discovered the key to destroying the evil Lord Voldemort, Harry, Ron and Hermione will traverse the British countryside in search of the seven Horcruxes that will finish Voldemort off once and for all. While the film adaptation of "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince" was severely lacking in places - most notably the epic first Battle of Hogwarts - early looks and trailers of "Deathly Hallows" look to remedy those

#### Album: Kanye West - "Good Ass Job"

If you've heard any of Kanye's leaked singles for his upcoming fifth album, you'll find that he's ditched the Auto-Tune for more traditional fare. "Power," featuring Dwele, is a great

indicator of what we might expect from the glory-hogging rapper - although he did seem to atone for his actions at this year's Video Music Awards and, to a lesser extent, on his Twitter feed. Yes, we'd all do well to keep an ear out for Kanye's next album. We have nothing to lose but respect for the guy. And \$10-\$15.



### Game: Kirby's Epic

It's been more than half a decade since Kirby hosted his own adventure on a Nintendo console, and the perpetually hungry hero has a unique offering debuting Oct. 17. Revealed at the Electronic Entertainment Expo in June, "Kirby's Epic Yarn" looks much like any other Kirby platformer, only this time the sprites and backgrounds leave you with the impression that Nintendo bought their development kits at Jo-Ann Fabrics. The art style is highly reminiscent of "Yoshi's Story," the game responsible for proving that Mario's beloved dino-steed could do just well without the portly plumber. With any hopes, "Epic Yarn" will help Kirby set himself apart from Nintendo's myriad other mascots.

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EUGENE JOHNSON / THE TORCH

Record enrollment puts The Titan Store in high gear to keep up with supplies and book sales.

# Going uppppp!

#### Enrollment expected to increase this term

#### EDER CAMPUZANO | Editor

When the economy is in the dumps, enrollment at community colleges rises. LCC administrators have echoed this philosophy over the last two years and have repeatedly been vindicated by the results.

Last year's Fall term enrollment was 18 percent over the previous year and 2010 is looking to follow the same trend. The evidence of an increase in enrollment is purely anecdotal at this time, according to Executive Dean of Student Affairs Helen Garrett.

"It's really too early to tell," she said.
"What we're looking at right now are registration numbers, which don't give us the full grow."

Interim Director of Enrollment and

Student Services John Hamblin doesn't anticipate solid numbers until after the term begins on Sept. 23.

Still, in order to cope with an anticipated increase in enrollment, Garrett and Hamblin have created a quick-service kiosk in the Building 1 lobby.

"It makes things so much easier," Garrett said. "Now if people have a quick question, they'll be able to avoid waiting for an enrollment services representative."

In an interview with the Torch last year, Dawn DeWolf, director of the LCC Workforce Network, said the closure of the Hynix computer chip plant and Monaco RV assembly facility prompted displaced workers to seek additional education at the college.

"A lot of people came to Lane to ob-

tain basic computer skills," DeWolf said.

Because enrollment is holding steady, college officials are urging students and staff to take advantage of Lane Transit District bus passes, which are paid for by a \$27 transportation fee assessed to every credit student on campus.

While the completion of the Longhouse and Health and Wellness Building will free up some parking spaces — construction equipment occupied the area last year — it won't be nearly enough to offset the increased traffic on campus, college officials say.

Bus passes are available in Building 19, Room 17 through Sept. 30. Stickers for continued use of the passes will become available starting Oct. 5 and can be found at the Titan Store return window.

#### **NEED-TO-KNOW NEWS**

Bus passes are available on the first floor of Building 19, Room 217. Although a few parking spaces will be freed up after completion of the Longhouse and Health and Wellness Building, parking is expected to be tight on campus following an increase in enrollment. Students may obtain new bus passes through Sept. 30. Stickers will be available at the Titan Store return window beginning Oct. 5. For more information contact Jennifer Hayward at 541-

A memorial service for Kris Tupper, LCC's dental assisting program coordinator, will be held Sept. 25 at the Eugene Faith Center, 1410 West 13th Ave. in Eugene. Tupper passed away Sept. 9 while on vacation with her family. The Kris Tupper Memorial Support Fund has been set up through Selco Community Credit Union in order to assist her family with expenses. Donations can be made at any Selco branch.

The LCC Foundation has scholarship money available in the following fields — dental assisting, dental hygiene (Douglas County residents only), health records technology, medical office assistance, respiratory care (first-year students only), certificate programs for massage therapy, nursing assistance, phlebotomy, pharmacy technicians, sterile processing and EMT, farm or business management and flight technology (female students only). The application deadline is Oct. 15. Submissions are accepted in Building 2.

LCC will host the 2010 Mid-Willamette College Fair Oct. 3 in the Building 5 gymnasium. The event will occur from noon to 3 p.m. and will feature informational booths staffed by nearly 80 colleges and universities from across the United States. The event is open to the public and workshops focusing on the college admissions process, financial aid and attendance costs will be provided as well. High school seniors who attend the event may enter to win a \$500 scholarship to any participating school. For more information, contact David Van Der Haeghen at 541-463-5688.

The Longhouse project is nearing completion and the building's official opening is tentatively set for early October. Classes will meet in the Longhouse starting Sept. 27 before the building is open to the public.

Work continues on the track and field bowl in the northwest corner of LCC's main campus. Fitness classes will have access to the track when classes begin Sept. 27 while crews finish work on a new synthetic field, long jump spaces, shot put areas and concrete sidewalks. A new scoreboard is expected in October. For more information, contact Mark Richardson at 541-463-3456.

Greg Evans, LCC's African-American student program coordinator, has been appointed to the American Public Association Executive Committee by Governor Ted Kulongoski. Evans has also served two terms on Lane Transit District's board of directors. The Oregon Senate is expected to approve the appointment.



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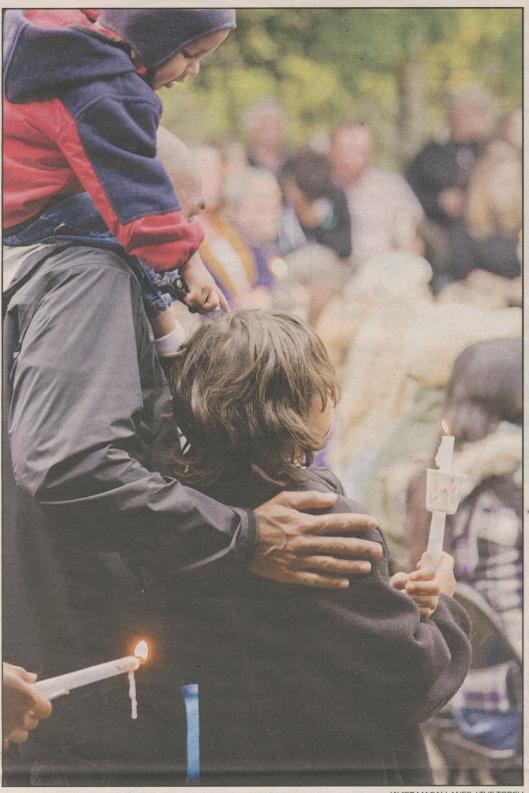
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Mourners for Aidan and Eryn Rauscher gathered at the Oak Hill School Thursday, Sept. 23 for a candlelight vigil in their memory. The girls were found dead in their father's Junction City home the morning of Sept. 20. The vigil was not open to the public but several media outlets were invited.

#### **NEAR CAMPUS**

# Community gathers at Oak Hill School to mourn Rauscher girls



#### EDER CAMPUZANO | Editor

Purple and pink perfection.
The epitome of love and happiness.
The staff and faculty of Oak Hill School

 a private K-12 institution bordering LCC's main campus — knew the Rauscher girls by many names.

Mourners for Aidan and Eryn, the two Oak Hill students who were murdered by their father before taking his own life last weekend, gathered at the school Thursday evening for a candlelight vigil in their

"We cannot understand this. We can never understand this," Oak Hill Headmaster Elliot Grey said as he addressed the dozens of attendees. "But we can take that unanswered question and turn to each other. We can support one another."

As Grey and others spoke during the ceremony, photographs of Aidan and Eryn were projected onto a screen near one of the school's classrooms. The girls could be seen laughing and playing with their friends, working on school projects and posing at various functions during their time at Oak Hill.

"They just exuded love and happiness," said Kim Davis, who spoke on behalf of the Oak Hill faculty.

Grief counselors from several Eugene's

4J School District offered their assistance once news of the incident broke.

"The response from 4J has been amazing," Grey said. "The most important thing to me right now is taking care of our students, their families and the faculty."

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Jennifer and Richard Rauscher shared custody of the two girls following their separation. Richard's weekend with the girls started Friday, Sept. 17. He usually dropped the girls off at school on Mondays and Jennifer would pick them up.

and Jennifer would pick them up.

When Aidan, 7, and Eryn, 9, didn't show up to school their mother asked Lane County Sheriffs deputies to accompany her to the home of her estranged husband.

Upon arrival at 29789 Harper Rd., Jennifer Flannery-Rauscher and the two deputies found the doors and windows locked. Once the deputies forced their way in, they found third-grader Eryn and fourth-grader Aidan dead in two different upstairs bedrooms.

Both girls had been shot.

Richard Rauscher, the girls' father, was found in dead in a downstairs bedroom with a gun by his side. According to the Register-Guard, Richard left behind a handwritten note, explaining that his separation from Jennifer drove him to shoot his two girls before taking his own life.



#### Associated Students of Lane Community College



#### Welcome Back to School!

Your new 2010-11 Student Government would like to let you know that we are here for you. Student issues and advocacy are at the forefront of our goals this year. We will be working on a civic engagement campaign right away by registering a target goal of 3000 new voters here at Lane by October 12<sup>th</sup>. Look for your student leaders at the front of the class, delivering a class rap to let you know why it is so important to students. Save a stamp and help us reach our goal by registering to Vote with us on campus! Oregon has a vote by mail election. Register to vote by October 12<sup>th</sup> and cast your ballot by the close of business on November 2<sup>nd</sup>.



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| Club or Group   | Frequency | Time/Day  | Place                    |
|---|-----------|---|--------------------------|
| ASLCC – Associated<br>Students of Lane Community<br>College – Senate    | Weekly    | 3:30-5:30 Monday<br>Student Government                    | Building 3,<br>Boardroom |
| ASLCC Council of Clubs  | Bi-Weekly | 3:00-5:00 every other<br>Tuesday, October 5 <sup>th</sup> | Building 1,<br>Room 206  |
| Sigma Zeta Chapter of Phi<br>Theta Kappa International<br>Honor Society | Weekly    | 4:00-5:30 Thursday<br>Orientation Oct. 7 <sup>th</sup>    | Building 19,<br>Room 232 |

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# **DUCKS FLY HIGH AFTER** UNDEFEATED START

ALAN K. Fox | Sports Editor

he No. 5 Ducks (3-0) ran through the nonconference schedule with a bang. Oregon set a school record with 189 points in a three-game span. That is more than a point per minute of play for coach Chip Kelly's offense. Defensively, the

Ducks are playing their best since the 1964 season by only allowing 14 points in the first three games.

Detractors contest that Oregon's competition may have not been of Pac-10 caliber, with wins over New Mexico (0-3), Tennessee (1-2) and FCS Portland State (1-2).

In the season opener, sophomore Kenjon Barner, a Riverside, Calif. native, ran wild on the New Mexico Lobos. Barner ran for 147 yards on 17 carries with four touchdowns off of runs of 1, 25, 10 and 41 yards and added another touchdown off a 60-yard reception. His five touchdowns ties a school record that was set by Saladin McCullough against Arizona in 1996. He posted 225 allpurpose yards in the 72-0 win. His performance also earned him Pac-10 Offensive Player of the

We just wanted to come out and play

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Freshman forward Bronte Jorgensen leads the Titans with five goals so far this season.

# soccer off to strong start

Freshman forward Bronte Jorgensen leads team to a 4-2 start

ALAN K. Fox | Sports Editor

Titan soccer (4-2) has started the season with a bang. The women have won four of their first six games, and have claimed three of those victories by shutting out their opponent.

Freshman forward Bronte Jorgensen has led the charge on offense, scoring five of the Titans' 10 goals so far this season. In the home opener against Tacoma (0-4), Jorgensen outscored the opponent all by herself, earning LCC a 2-1 win on Sept. 15. She is tied for third in the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges for goals scored.

I have shocked myself on how well I have been playing, Jorgensen said. "I think I can play a lot harder at times, but that just means I need to work a little harder in practice. All in all so far I have been pleased with how I have been playing."

'Jorgensen scores goals," said coach Dave Ellis after the victory over Tacoma.

After losing the season opener against Walla Walla (6-0-1), the Titans were able to bounce back with two shutout victories in Mt. Vernon, Wash. against Skagit Valley (0-6-1) and Wenatchee Valley (2-3) on Sept. 8 and 9. Jorgensen scored the only goal during the Skagit Valley game, and freshman goalkeeper Erin Lewis earned the shutout. Mallory Branch recorded the other shutout in a match the Titans won 4-0.

LCC continued to stay hot with another victory against Highline (2-3) on Sept. 18

in Des Moines, Wash. Lewis claimed her second shutout of the year and scored on goals by Jorgensen and Reed Levings, who also earned an assist on the Jorgensen goal.

"I love this team like it's my own family," Jorgensen said.
"We all get along so well and play so well together."

Another standout for the Titan offense is freshman forward Katie Bidwell, who is tied for second in the NWACC for assists with 4. Bidwell has scored one goal of her own as well.

After hitting the road to Washington for a two-game road trip against Green River on Sept. 24 and Clark on Sept. 29, the Titans will return to Eugene for a three-game home stand starting with a match against Olympic on Oct. 2.

### Titan XC looks to run to the top

ALAN K. Fox | Sports Editor

Titan cross country looks to have another successful season in 2010. Second-year head coach John Scholl has hired two assistants to his staff -Tatyana Pozdynakova, a seven-time Runner's World Magazine and Female Masters Runner of the Year and former LCC two-time All-American runner Andrea Gruber.

The team hast two returning runners from last year. All-American MaCayla Claver, the team's top runner from last season, will lead the women again this year and improve over the 2009 season where she finished sixth at the Northwest Association of Community Colleges' Championships. Also returning to the team is redshirt sopho-more Megan Hale, who last ran for the Titans in 2008, where she finished in the Top 20 in the NWACC Southern Regional.

Although the Titans only have two returning veterans, there's plenty of promise in the team's new recruits.

Springfield High School graduate Caitlynn Holmes, a four-time Oregon School Activities Association Cross Country qualifier is joining the Titans

North Eugene's Rachel Jensen, a Top 30 finisher in the 5A OSAA meet in the 2009 and Laura Jackson from LaPine High have joined the team as well. Jackson was a Top 25 finisher in the 4A OSAA meet in 2009.

Also joining the team are Chandra Johanningmeier from Reynolds High School and K.D. Soloman from Junction City High School.

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#### FOX'S TROT



ALAN K. FOX

### Ready. Set. Go.

What do you desire in your sports section?

Here's what I have in mind. First, let me start with my background in sports. It dates back to my days at Eastwood Elementary School in Roseburg, where I began to play competitive basketball and football. I was then a standout football player at the fullback and tight end positions through my sophomore year.

A severe ankle injury ended any hopes of moving forward with a career as an athlete. I still had the drive and determination to be involved in the world of sports, so I started to think of my options. I decided to be a sports broadcaster or writer.

I have gained experience in writing since spring term here at the Torch and I worked with the Eugene Emeralds all summer, writing for their website and their social networking media outlets.

I also kept up on my personal sports blog (alankfox.blog.com) covering professional and college

My plan is to cover all local college sports, including Ducks football. I also plan to bring LCC athletics the coverage they deserve and students the sports news they want to read.

#### Soccer teams progress

I am really excited to see the Titan soccer team's progress over the following year. I know that the season is still fairly fresh, but the fact that they have four wins this season already is astounding (the women's record last season was 5-6-3). You have to be excited for coach Ellis and his squad.

The additions of forwards Bronte Jorgensen — who has proven herself to be a scoring beast early in the season — and Katie Bidwell, who has been handing out assists like candy on Halloween, is exciting alone. The team is a treat to watch in general with all the effort they put out on both sides of the field, and I hope for nothing but success for the Titans.

#### XC adds new coaches

Also starting the season strong is John Scholl's cross country team, who added Tatyana Pozdynakova and Andrea Gruber as assistant

Pozdynakova is a Russian running sensation, who took home Runner's World Magazine's Female Master Runner of the Year seven times. Gruber was a two-time All-American runner during her time

A ton of new talent has been added for both the men and women. Unfortunately, there are no local meets and 2009 NWAACC Champion Cesar Perez is redshirting this year, but all in all, LCC sports are looking good.

Go Titans!

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#### XC Bellamy best runner of 2009

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On the men's side, NWACC champion Cesar Perez will be redshirting this year, but the Titans will return redshirt freshman Reyes Rivera and redshirt sophomore Michael Bellamy. Bellamy was the team's fourth best runner in the 2009 season, and Rivera is running as a Titan for the first time this season.

Highlighting the newcomers to the men's team is Siuslaw High School graduate Jacob Berkner. Berkner is a three-time 4A OSAA cross country qualifier, who finished fifth overall in the OSAA State Championships.

The Titans kicked the cross country season off just a few days after practice had begun for the season in Salem at the Corban Invitational on Sept. 4. LCC looked good in the

season debut with the women finishing second overall and the men third.

Leading the women in the 3K race were Jensen, who finished third with a time of 12:05.65, Gylany Crossman, who finished fifth with a time of 12:13.79 and Holmes, who finished seventh with a time of 12:31.72. Also scoring a top 10 finishes were fifth-place finisher Lisa Martin (12:33.51) and tenth-place finisher Solo-

On the men's side, Berkner was the team's top finisher. He finished eighth overall with a time of 17:49.82 in the 5k

"I just look at a guy in front of me in front of a race and go after him," Berkner

Other top finishers for the men included Aria Kiani, who finished 10th with a time of 18:06.03, and Michael Bellamy, who finished 12th with a time of 18:08.93.

The Titans will travel to McMinnville on Sept. 25 to compete in the Linfield

#### ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



**Bronte Jorgensen, Soccer** 

Jorgensen, a freshman forward from Sheldon High School, was chosen as athlete of the week based on her hot start to the soccer season. She scored four goals in the first five games of the season.



Jacob Berkner, XC

Berkner, a freshman from Siuslaw High School, led all Titan runners on the men's team in the Corban Invitational in Salem on Sept. 4, with an eighth place finish and a final time of 17:49.82 in the 5k race.

#### **DUCKS**

#### Tennessee game delayed an hour From Page 5

hard and not let up at all," said Barner. "I'm blessed to have this game that I had and just thankful that my coaches had faith in me to give me that opportunity and I thank my line and my receivers for opening up lanes and blocking for me.

Oregon's 720 yards on of-fense was a school record, and the 72 points scored during the game set an Autzen Stadium record.

In their road opener, the Ducks traveled to Knoxville, Tenn., to play the University of Tennessee Volunteers. It was the season debut of last year's Pac-10 Freshman of the Year, LaMichael James, who ran for 134 yards on 16 carries and a 72-yard touchdown. The Ducks upended the Vols 48-13.

The Vols drove down the field on their first possession and scored a field goal. On the fol-lowing kickoff, Barner fumbled the return and Tennessee recovered the ball. The fumble led to

another field goal for Volunteer kicker Daniel Lincoln.

The game was then delayed for 70 minutes due to a light-ning storm after the second kick

After the delay the Ducks were able to drive down the field and score on two Rob Beard field goals, and then get a touchdown pass from Darron Thomas to tight end David Paulson with 1:04 left in the first half.

The second half belonged to the Ducks.

The scoring started in the third quarter with a 72-yard touchdown run from James and was followed up by a 76-yard touchdown on an interception from Cliff Harris.

In the fourth quarter, Thomas started things off with a pass to Lavasier Tuinei from 29 yards out. Less than two minutes later, Barner made up for his fumble on the kick return in the first half with an 80-yard punt return. The last score of the game was a two-yard touchdown run from Remene Alston with 3:54 left in the game.

Against Portland State, the Ducks looked sloppy in the rainy conditions at Autzen. Oregon committed three turnovers in the game. Thomas threw his second interception of the season and also lost a fumble on a handoff exchange between himself and James.

The defense continued to play great pitching their second shutout of the year.

The rushing attack for the Ducks was like nothing Oregon has seen, setting a school record of 528 rushing yards. James set a career-best with 227 yards on 14 carries and scored two touchdowns, including one from 66 vards out.

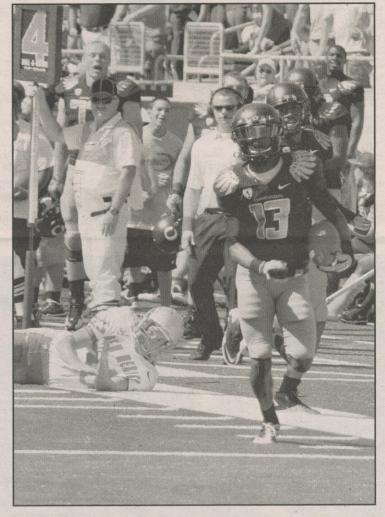
James was still not satisfied

with his performance.
"I didn't even get touched really. It was all my offensive line, so I cant even take credit for that," said James, in regards to the 66-yard touchdown. "I feel like today was probably was the worst game I've played in my life. I really am disappointed. I had a lot of yards, but I really didn't play all that well."

Thomas completed 9-of-18 passes for 140 yards and four touchdowns, including two to Jeff Maehl.

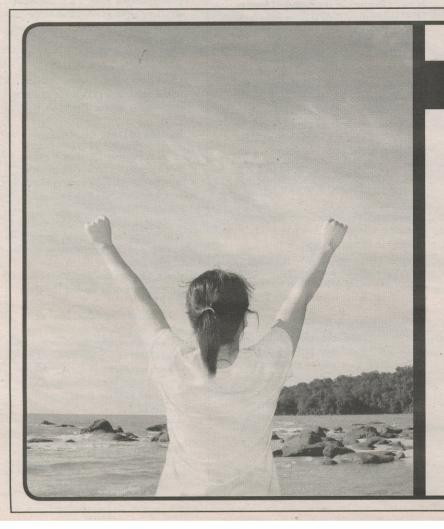
'It was a little wet but we ran the ball well and opened up the passing game," said Thomas. 'We've got to work hard, get

The Ducks kick off Pac-10 play Sept. 25 in Tempe, Ariz. against Arizona State.



**UO** player Cliff Harris had two punt returns for 125 yards and two touchdowns against New Mexico on Sept 4.

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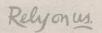
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# **OPINION**

#### Our view

Keeping students involved in the new downtown campus will avoid a Jacqua Centertype backlash.

#### Who?

The editorial board consists of Editor Eder Campuzano and Managing editor Andy Rossback.

#### Write us

Keep it short, sweet and civil. Under 350 words. Send letters to torch@lanecc.edu. Attach name, address and phone number.

# Keep students involved in DTC

When LCC began plans to include housing in the blueprint for a new downtown campus, college administration sought input from the people who have the most at stake in the project. No, it wasn't donors or faculty. It was students.

For the last month, a student advisory committee has met in the boardroom in Building 3 to discuss myriad features of the proposal, from an air conditioning-free ventilation system to bedroom designs.

Helen Garrett, LCC's executive dean of student affairs, has implored attendees of both committee meetings so far to contribute to the conversation between college administration and the project's chief architects.

She argues that by knowing what current students expect from their housing, the college will better be able to anticipate what will attract potential residents. Of course, LCC faces unique challenges in planning a housing project, which makes student input all the more valuable.

When the UO begins a construction project, it seems as though the dominant philosophy is to build first, ask questions later. This is evident downtown campus has an by the public backlash against estimated price tag of \$35 the Jacqua Center — that enormous glass structure on the corner of Franklin Boulevard and Agate Street that cost \$41 million — and the Matthew Knight Arena, which is estimated to ring up at close to \$200 million.

Admittedly, LCC's projects take a bit more effort to fund. After all, the college doesn't possess a benefactor with prominence or coffers on par with that of Phil Knight.

Still, LCC's desire for

student input on a project of this magnitude — the new million with student housing requiring an additional \$15 million on top of that — is a nice contrast from the practices of our neighbors over the hill.

After all, there aren't many community colleges that provide student housing and LCC wants to make sure this project is done right. The best way to do so is with the input of the project's potential tenants. Kudos to college administration for realizing that.



Eder Campuzano

## New year, new Torch

It's a new school year, which means hundreds of new faces will begin appearing in classrooms and common areas across campus, a new student government is meeting in the boardroom Mondays and new instructors and other staffers are among us.

As your campus newspaper, we're charged with the exciting, tedious and sometimes, if not always, stress-inducing task of delivering

a week's worth of news to the staff, students and faculty of Many of our staff members have spent the summer refining the skills they'll need in order to serve the college community. Managing Editor Andy Rossback spent a few months with The World in Coos County as a reporter and

designer during one of the newspaper's most intense weeks in a decade. Sports Editor Alan Fox wrote copy for the Eugene Emeralds' website and took the occasional photo as Photo Editor Javier Magallanes spent a fair amount of

time shooting classrooms on campus in preparation for LCC's 25Live program, which allows 360-degree virtual tours of those rooms for reservation purposes. And I, myself, spent ten weeks in McMinnville as a reporter intern for the News-Register, a weekly newspaper in the heart of Oregon's wine country. For us, journalism is more than a job — it's a

This passion is what drives us to do what we do. We strive to keep up with the events, people and programs that will interest you, and we've got a fair amount of leads already.

As a new academic year approaches, there are plenty of things we'll be keeping our eyes on. The college faces cuts at the state level in lieu of record enrollment. Plans to build a new Downtown Center continue as architects and contractors are hired. And a follow-up to last year's summer festival, Lanestock, is in the works as well.

We don't want to simply deliver the news — we want to know what you think of it. Our goal is to host at least one contributed column per week, be it from a student, teacher, classified staff member or concerned citizen. One of the Torch's missions is to provide its readers with a forum for debate, and we will do everything we can to encourage that

In addition to asking for your feedback on the news of the week, we also ask for your assistance in uncovering events, people and programs worthy of coverage through various mediums. Call us. E-mail us. Tweet at us or leave a comment on our Facebook page. If you know something, say something. After all, we're your campus newspaper, and we're here to serve you.

We're also promising to let you know what's on our minds. Every week, our opinion pages will contain a staffwritten editorial. The purpose of these articles is to encourage feedback on topical subjects that influence our lives in

one way or another. Feel free to visit us and see what it's all about. We're located in Building 18 on the second floor above the Health Clinic. Come over and chat about something that's happening on campus, see how you can get involved, or just stop by and make sure you're getting your money's worth. After all, \$2.75 of your hard-earned dollars goes toward printing this rag every term. Make the most of it. We'll do our best to hold up our end of the bargain.

Lane is the right place

Welcome to Lane Community College. You're in the right place.

Lane is one of the best community colleges in the nation. The education and training you receive here will



Mary Spilde

help you achieve your dreams in life and in the workplace for many years to come.

Lane is a new campus in many ways this fall.

Many buildings have been remodeled to provide you with spacious, well-equipped and attractive new learning environments. Vast upgrades to the infrastructure behind the walls increase your access to the Internet, provide more responsive temperature control and air conditioning, and improve the college's carbon footprint. Much of the remodeling was funded by Lane's bond, approved by voters in 2008.

Campus also has two totally new buildings — the Health and Wellness Center and the Native American longhouse. Both are located on the northwest corner of campus. Each is beautifully and thoughtfully designed and constructed with your learning experience in mind. Both were funded largely by donations.

The Health and Wellness Center is arguably the finest health professions training facility in the Southern Willamette Valley. It has smart classrooms, labs for nursing, respiratory care, EMT, physical therapy, and exercise science. Even if you are not a health professions major, you will enjoy the study spaces and gardens and plaza and a new juice bar.

The Native American Longhouse is a very special place. It is for gathering and celebrating and for students and the community to come together to share knowledge, culture and values. It will help all students connect, meet across cultural lines, and learn from each other and about each other. Every cedar log, every plant was carefully selected to reflect the culture and history of Oregon's nine tribes and our natural environment. This is a wonderful place of learning for all of us.

Our academic programs remain very strong, with energy management and health professions being among the most in-demand career and technical programs, as are core transfer classes in writing and math.

The need for Lane's programs is reflected in our continuing high enrollment. Classes will be crowded. We're doing everything we can to add classes and meet your needs. If you got off to a late start fall term, turn it into a head start for winter term.

Our faculty and staff are committed to making your Lane experience a good one. However, with increased enrollment and declining state funding — an additional \$4 million reduction since May everyone is stretched beyond capacity. Unfortunately, we do not have the resources to add moré faculty and staff so please be patient with us as we strive to accommodate all our students.

Getting a degree or certificate is critical to successfully competing in today's workplace and global economy, or to be an informed citizen in an increasingly complex and rapidly changing world, so be persistent.

Parking is an annual fall challenge and that's still true. Last year we added capacity but it's going to be crowded between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Your best bet is to get an LCC Bus Pass or to carpool. We have some great tips and resources listed on our home page at lanecc.edu.

The home page also has information about our new tobacco-free college policy. The goal is to make campus a healthier, safer place to learn and work. We are Oregon's fourth community college to go tobacco free, after Mount Hood, Portland and Oregon Coast. We're offering support for those who want to quit smoking. Drop by our main campus Health Clinic to find out more.

Don't forget to explore myLane from our home page, Lane's new web portal. MyLane will help you manage your accounts and courses, explore your options, and access other tools for success in college.

Have a good year, and hold fast to your dreams.

Mary Spilde is the president of Lane Community College.

### Thumbs ...

#### **Downtown Campus is a go**



Proposed plans for LCC's new downtown building are going smoothly. The college is proving that, even in a development

climate like Eugene's, stuff can still get done.

#### **Never-ending construction**

Drive down any arterial road in Eugene and you'll notice that practically every route requires



a detour. These projects are definitely worthwhile, but we'll enjoy driving down 13th Avenue uninterrupted.

#### **Economic development**



While we're not excited about the many detours we take due to construction, it's nice to see projects

picking up here and there. The many development in town and on campus are a bright spot in this seemingly endless recession.

#### Looming gas price increase

Effective Jan. 1, the price of gas everywhere in



Oregon will go up by at least six cents due to legislation passed in 2009. If you've been waiting to Craigslist that gas guzzler, you may want to get a move on.

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#### **SMOKING**

#### Policy improves life on campus

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wheelchair accessible shelters have been erected.

Creating the new smoking areas was merely a matter of relocating existing shelters on campus. The shelters were painted red over the summer and moved from the main campus areas to the parking lot perimeters.

The campuses in Cottage Grove, Downtown and Florence will also be tobaccofree. While this policy may be new for LCC, several community colleges in the Northwest have already made similar transitions. Mt. Hood, Oregon Coast and Portland community colleges were among the first three tobacco-free campuses in

Though the policy has been finalized for some time, the steps to implement it have been underway all

"I am really happy to see the policy put into action," Simmons said. "It's a major step to improving the quality of life for all.

Students, faculty and

LCC students are

non-traditional

water collection system have

been proposed as means to minimize the environmental

impact of both the educa-

In terms of student

housing, Pyatok and LCC

administrators know that

community colleges face

many unique challenges.

'Universities have a

leverage point — you have

to be there, you have to be

year and you get what you

dents at Oregon's four-

year universities are what are known as "traditional

old and are transitioning

students," which mean they

are between 18 and 24 years

get," Caton said. Most first-year stu-

in student housing your first

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DTC

staff who are caught smoking, distributing or selling tobacco or smoking devices in any prohibited area may be subject to citation and a \$25 fine. Repeat offenders will face harsher punish-

We have been letting people know about the change for a long time," Garrett said. "At first we are going to be passing out warnings to people who are caught, and ideas have circulated about faculty and staff handing out cards warning violators.'

Garret also mentioned that a \$25 citation would be issued at Public Safety officers' discretion and would be decided on a case-by-case

The full policy can be found online at http://bit. ly/9AN3gY.

In order to present the new smoking policy in a more relaed way, Simmons and other faculty members created a rap video to the tune of Naughty By Nature's "O.P.P."

"Five of us sat down at the table one night and came up with the lyrics," Simmons said. "We wanted to do something fun to get the message out there.'

The full video can be found at http://bit.ly/aK-

directly from high school to

college.
Many LCC students fall

into the "non-traditional"

category. Much of LCC's

from returning students or individuals who have never taken a college course.

Community college stu-

and may have families.

dents are also typically older

ASLCC senator Nate

eral situations unique to the

Oregon, would not necessar-

college students want to be roomed up with a 30- to 40-year old," he said.

In response, Caton said the college would most likely

utilize a survey or some other

means to measure roommate

ent folks that will be living in

these units," he said. "We're

very well aware of that."

compatibility.
"We have a lot of differ-

Robinson brought up sev-

college that other institutions, like the University of

ily face.
"I don't think most

enrollment is derived

# Health building features juice bar



Student servers prep drinks for attendees of the grand opening of the new Health and Wellness Center. Among the new features in building is a juice bar.

EUGENE JOHNSON /

#### State contributed \$6.75 million for building

provide funding for the \$15 million project. State funding contributed \$6.75 million of the total bill, while private donations and

Ground broke on the building on June 2, 2009 and construction wrapped up in early

A goal of \$3 million was also set in order to pay for additional nursing faculty. Opening Doors is currently halfway towards

And the more faculty LCC can hire, the

The college's nursing program is notoriin the program for 88 students every year and it's not unusual for administrators to have 300 applicants to choose from.

facilities that will allow nearly twice as many students to the nursing program, assuming there are enough instructors to teach them

A grand opening ceremony was staged for the building on Sept. 23. Board of Education Chairman Tony McCown, Opening Doors Campaign Chairman Tony Baker and Health Professions Dean Sheryl Berman attended the event with Spilde.

Honorary Opening Doors co-chairman Don Tykeson applauded those who choose to go into the health occupations field dur-

ing the ceremony.

"Heroes are not giant statues," he said. "They are the people that say 'this is my community and it's my responsibility to

#### HEALTH

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grants provided the rest.

meeting that goal.

ous for its exclusivity. There is enough room

The new Health and Wellness Center has

make it better."



Don Tykeson, Opening Doors co-chair, addresses the audience during the opening of the new Health and Wellness Center.



# Interested in contributing to your campus newspaper?

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The following paid positions are available as well: News editor • Features editor • Web editor • Ad representative

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