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## Downtown housing nears completion

BY MATT MACARI  
Reporter

Titan Court, LCC's first student housing complex, is looking for renters for Fall 2012, though prices have yet to be announced.

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## Students should scrutinize spending

On June 13, the Board of Education will vote on a \$4.50 tuition increase, raising tuition to a staggering \$90.50 per credit.

If the number seems specific, that's because it is. The total comes from a bargain between the student government and the Budget and Finance Subcommittee. This includes a \$4 increase in tuition and a 50-cent permanent fee for the Student Success Initiative fund.

The estimated revenue from the 50-cent fee is \$225,000, and will be managed by student government and the executive dean of student affairs.

Students will not decide this increase, relying instead on the student politicians in ASLCC.

There will be no election or public forum for students to give input on the fee. Students aren't being asked if they want to pay another 50 cents toward another fund for another pot of money that, at present, lacks specific direction.

There are many ideas floating around from the student government suggesting new SSI funds projects, which range from a student call center to a smart phone application for myLane.

Attention must be paid to the fact that several of the ideas — including increased tutoring center hours, a permanent disc golf course and several scholarships — will only serve certain students out of the combined fund from each credit-enrolled student.

While brainstorming is appreciated, ASLCC needs to be hyper-aware that its lofty goals might not be in line with the wants and needs of the students.

It would seem that ASLCC has found another way to garner student funds through this increase while bypassing student input entirely.

The Torch neither agrees with the fee nor the manner in which it was negotiated.

Yet, if the board passes the proposal, there is little students, let alone a newspaper, can do about it.

Helen Garrett, executive dean of student affairs, said students will decide where this money goes, but *The Torch* wonders how this can be true if students at large weren't included in the decision to begin with.

The Torch recommends ASLCC give students the chance to dictate where the funds will be spent. It would be far too easy for this money to be just another addition to the ASLCC piggy bank.

A forum should be held each term for students to express opinions on the direction and effectiveness of this money. The forum should be publicized to students through emails, myLane and *The Torch*.

Regardless of the method, students must be involved. A handful of ASLCC members should not dictate where nearly a quarter-million dollars of student money is spent. Especially when only 3.3 percent of the student body elected the incoming student government.

Every student paying into the SSI fund has the right and responsibility to oversee how it is spent. Every student walking through the campus should feel like his or her money does something useful, down to the last cent.

## WAY TO GO

- The vendors in the cafeteria are getting a big helping hand from the students purchasing their wares. Buying local is part of the Oregon spirit.

- While this week's weather has been a little gray, students bicycling to school are making for a greener Earth and saving drivers that coveted parking space in Lot N.

- In week eight, the pressures of tests and projects can be overwhelming. Memorial Day provides an extra day to get work done while the campus is closed.

- Physical education instructor

Sue Thompson, honored at the Employer Recognition Gala, has given LCC 40 years of service.

The following employees were honored for their 30 years of service: Alen Bahret in infrastructure services, Melanie Brown in curriculum and scheduling, social science instructor William Burrows, computer information technology instructor Robert Haley, Executive Dean of Academic Affairs Don McNair, Anne Metzger in the Health Clinic, network administration specialist David Schiappa and art instructor Elizabeth VanderSchaff.

## HELL NO

- Holding closed-door meetings about the ASLCC budget is never OK. When an organization is funded by students' money, everything needs to be on the table with the public watching.

- Cigarette butts and coffee cups don't make for nice scenery. Students, faculty, staff and visitors need to make use of the ashtrays and trash cans at all smoking kiosks.

- With the rain this week, seeking shelter might be fruitless, especially as that one humongous water drop coming off the corner of a campus building falls right onto your head.

- With summer travel season fast approaching, gas prices are increasing all over Oregon. GasBuddy.com Senior Petroleum Analyst Patrick DeHaan says there is a possibility of up to a 35-cent increase per gallon by this Sunday.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

(Editor's note: This letter was written in response to Leah Averett's May 17 column, "Elections 'process' needs tweaking.")

I fully agree with your article, that elections need tweaking. I would compound your suggestions with even larger efforts, that the government itself needs an effort of reform. Right now, we have government positions to be advocates, for social and minority issues, and those voting often being members of the clubs. I would like to put out a dual suggestion that includes the following positions.

One, that the Senate be changed to represent "districts" instead of the general student body. That trades and degree programs vote for an elected representative. We only have 300-some-odd voters, showing that the "let's support everyone" effort is not working. If major degree programs had a horse in the race, they may be better encouraged to vote for someone of their own, and collectively come together.

Right now, LCC suffers from hav-

ing no community; several niche groups are ignoring each other, and merely going about their business. If we honored this fact and encouraged these groups that are not normally part of the ASLCC vocal chorus.

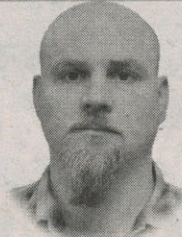
Second, enforce a gradually increasing minimal voter turnout. The ASLCC has no incentive to open up the elections. They are a tight group that knows each other too well and hard for any outsider to make waves in. It was proven during the grade crisis, that they are too much friends and want to keep their efforts consolidated.

A required amount of votes would force greater openness of the student body. What is better, a government that does nothing or one that only gets elected by the top 3 percent, while the 97 percent are busy with studies and families? Before elections can happen again, we need to put COMMUNITY back into meaning. All problems stem from the fact that no community exists.

— CHRIS MILLER

## Proper parenting prunes prison population

## THE TACTICAL PARENT



BY EUGENE JOHNSON

Photo Editor

One evening my son got upset when he was asked to put his Legos away.

"I will kill you, I will shank you and they will never find the body," he said.

"Where did you hear that?" my wife and I immediately asked.

He told us a boy in his preschool class said it.

Bewildered, we quickly told him that is not OK to say such things and we don't use those words.

Our next questions were, "Where did his classmate hear/see this? What are his parents allowing him to see?"

After bringing this to his preschool teacher's attention, we were assured the staff would be monitoring the offending boy and his behavior more closely.

Parents have a responsibility to monitor that to which their children are exposed. Parents need to take seriously that what they don't teach their children can be just as detrimental as teaching them bad habits or behavior.

Recently in Woodburn, three 15-year-old boys were arraigned on first-degree arson charges after they allegedly caused a fire inside a classroom in Woodburn High School, which resulted in the school closing for the following two weeks.

The three are being charged as adults, and the Measure 11 charges

require a mandatory minimum sentence of 90 months in prison.

Had their parents taught these boys not to play with fire, maybe this could have been prevented.

Parents are the first line of defense against negativity and violent behavior. If we don't teach them how to deal with it or avoid it altogether, who will?

These Woodburn boys might have gotten the idea from a YouTube video in which a puddle of hand sanitizer is lit on fire and extinguished by an unidentified person, who smothers it with a bare hand.

Our society also has to hold itself

responsible for what's on television and the Internet. This is not the answer to everything, but it could be a good start.

My responsibility as a parent is to teach my child that actions sometimes carry serious consequences, and to require him to take responsibility for his actions.

Had the parents of those boys shown them that fires could cause property damage, injury and death, maybe this wouldn't have happened.

Unfortunately, if convicted, the teenagers accused of starting the fire will live with its consequences for the rest of their lives.

Luckily, our son has not repeated what he has heard, and we hope our lesson about why we don't talk like that will last with him the rest of his life.



## New fee proposed

\$225,000 to subsidize student success.

BY JOE HANNAN  
Reporter

LCC's student government will support a \$4.50 per-credit tuition increase, with 50 cents of the increase set aside for a special "student success initiatives" fund.

The Board of Education will vote on the proposed increase at next month's meeting. If board members agree, students will pay \$90.50 per credit, beginning next school year. The 50-cent fee will generate an estimated \$225,000 annually, and it will be kept in a separate fund controlled by ASLCC and Helen Garrett, executive dean of student affairs.

Garrett said students will decide how to spend the fee, but that administration will provide oversight and aid.

The fee could go toward creating a student call center to help students find and contact academic resources on campus, underwriting a scholarship and grant fund for students no longer receiving the Pell or Oregon Opportunity grants, and building a smart phone application for myLane.

Scholarships for students could potentially range from \$500 to \$1,500. The funds would be for low-income students, minority students and students who are mothers.

Garrett said the central idea behind the fund is: "What can we do on an annual basis to help students complete and progress through college more efficiently?"

ASLCC also proposed creating a partnership between the UO Knight Library and LCC students to allow access to online materials. ASLCC Senator Michael Friedman discussed

keeping the LCC library open later and keeping the tutoring center open longer.

Senators discussed spending the money on an expedited credit appeal process to help students evaluate whether they're academically on track. ASLCC treasurer Tracy Weimer supports the appeal process idea.

Others have their eye on the money too.

"A permanent disc golf course would be great," LCC student James Lane said.

"Disc golf course would be good, renting goats would be cool to be able to eat the blackberries or shrubs. It's an environmentally friendly way to deal with noxious plants," Disc Golf Club Vice President Dallas Steely said.

ASLCC President Mario Parker-Milligan said a \$5 tuition increase was proposed originally, but the committee reduced that to alleviate financial stress for students.

"I think it's a good thing for students," Parker-Milligan said. "I'm the one that initially brought it up, (its dedication) to student success."

Associate Dean of Student Affairs Barbara Delansky praised the compromise.

"I don't know of any community college that would allow students to have this much voice. This is a good example of a collaborative process," Delansky said.

The compromise will still leave the college with a \$225,000 deficit. Delansky said college finance project coordinator Bob Baldwin helped to balance the budget afterwards by increasing Enterprise and Stabilization funds.

The Board of Education will vote on the proposal June 13.



ANNAIS DURET / THE TORCH

Student government members hear public comments at its May 22 meeting.

### STUDENT GOVERNMENT

## ASLCC unable to present budget

Budget must be finalized in June.

BY JOE HANNAN  
Reporter

On May 22, student government discussed scheduling a meeting to finalize their proposed budget for the 2012-2013 fiscal year.

ASLCC must finalize its budget in June to present to the Board of Education.

An ASLCC budget committee will convene on May 29 at 8 a.m. to fine-tune the budget.

"We entered the year with carry-over and spent a lot of it," ASLCC Vice President Jenny Lor said.

The members of ASLCC and the budget committee were unable to present the budget at the Wednesday meeting.

"I don't feel comfortable presenting a budget right now," Lor said. "We pulled a lot of money from different places. We don't

actually know how much we have spent this year."

The Lane Annual Powwow and student clubs could be affected by the budget revisions.

"You have spent more than you have brought in to date. I don't think you're in trouble, but you're going to have to consider not hitting those \$297,000 'actuals,'" ASLCC adviser Barbara Delansky said. "You have spent a lot of money on travel, staff increases and club support."

In an email sent by ASLCC Treasurer Tracy Weimer, she said a closed-door budget meeting occurred on May 22, at which ASLCC President Mario Parker-Milligan and president-elect Merriam Weatherhead discussed altering the budget. According to Weimer's email, it was proposed that ASLCC staff positions receive additional

benefits and have their credits paid for by ASLCC.

"It's premature to approve a budget today," Lor said.

On May 29 at 4 p.m., ASLCC will have an emergency Senate meeting in the student life and leadership workroom to review and revise the completed budget.

The Gender and Sexuality Alliance and MEChA also presented at the meeting.

There will be a GSA-hosted safe spaces training session for LCC LGBTQ and ally students on June 5. For more information, contact the GSA office.

Baile, a fundraiser for and hosted by MEChA, will be held Saturday, June 2, at El Jaro Azul located at 764 Blair Blvd. The event costs \$5 and begins at 9:30 p.m. For more information, email [mechdelcc@gmail.com](mailto:mechdelcc@gmail.com).



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The new rate of \$1.75 is the first fare increase since 2008, when it was raised by 25 cents to the current \$1.50 people pay today.

## LTD approves 5.8% fee hike

LCC students will not be affected until 2013.

BY CAMERON RITCHEY  
Reporter

Lane Transit District approved an increase in cash and group-pass fares last Wednesday, but LCC students won't see any transportation fee increases for another year.

The LTD Board of Directors approved a 5.8 percent increase in group-pass rates, which goes into effect Jan. 2, 2013. The increase in cash fares will take effect July 1. This is the first increase to group-pass rates, which includes the LCC pass, in three years.

Students currently pay \$5.32 per month for passes, which are included as part of the transportation fee paid at the beginning of each term. With the increase, this fee will rise to \$5.63 per month in 2013-2014.

"I heard they were talking about it," Jeff Lalor said, "but I didn't

know it went through. 5 percent is an OK increase."

Lalor, a journalism and sports business student, rides the bus when it's too rainy to bike.

LTD and LCC have a contract in place that runs through the 2012-2013 school year. The new contract, to start in the 2013-2014 school year, will reflect the increased rates, and may lead to an increase in the transportation fee for LCC students.

"We don't change the rates mid-year; we always wait until the following school year," said Andy Vobora, LTD director of service planning, accessibility and marketing.

LTD is also planning to increase the number of buses serving routes 82 and 85 to LCC during the first four weeks of each term in the 2012-2013 school year.

"We are able to do this on a one-year trial basis with no anticipated

increase in the student transportation fee," LCC Transportation Coordinator Russ Pierson said.

The increased capacity could remain permanent for subsequent school years, and even be extended for the entirety of each term. This could further affect the transportation fee in 2013 and beyond.

"I think the pass is a pretty fair deal," first-year theater student Tyler Ankenman said. "I do think people should be able to opt out of the bus pass and not pay that money, but overall it's good."

Every LCC student who takes credit classes at the main campus, and ESL students who take classes at the main or downtown Eugene campuses, currently pays a \$27 transportation fee each term. These students then qualify for an LTD bus pass. The transportation fee includes more than the bus pass, as it also pays for parking lot maintenance and repair.





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Titans freshman Thomas Cranor (6) and freshman Kevin Accinelli (leading) compete during the 110-meter hurdles during the NWAACC Championships on May 22 at Spokane Community College. Accinelli placed fifth in the event with a time of 15.71. He also placed third in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 54.28, scoring 10 points for the Titans.

## TRACK AND FIELD

# Titans: No. 2 in NWAACCs

Final competition comes down to Spokane and Lane.

"It was an exhausting two days, but we held our heads up high."

Grady O'Connor  
Titans head coach



TURNER MAXWELL / THE TORCH

Sophomore Barry McLaren ran the first leg of the 4x400-meter relay during the NWAACC Championships on May 22 at Spokane Community College. The women's 4x400-meter relay team placed third with a time of 3:58.33.

BY JON FUCCILLO  
Sports Editor

Titans head coach Grady O'Connor called it.

O'Connor said last week that the NWAACC Championships, from May 21 to May 22 in Spokane, Wash., would come down to Lane and Spokane.

That's exactly what happened.

Lane's men's and women's teams got the short end of the stick and returned to Eugene with second place trophies for both teams.

"We had a good run at (Spokane)," O'Connor said. "We left it on the track. (It) just so happened Spokane performed better. It was an exhausting two days, but we held our heads up high."

"I'm really proud of our team," O'Connor added. "But it wasn't quite good enough."

Spokane's men's team dominated the field of competition. They went on to beat the Titans 263.5-234.5. Clackamas finished in third place with 127 points.

"Like it has been in year's past, it was a dual meet," O'Connor said.

Spokane's men's and women's teams have swept the NWAACC Championships since 2005.

"In all honesty, they don't have a lot of good guys," freshman sprinter Branden Helms said. "They just have a lot of depth in places where people can go 2, 3, 4 and 5."

Helms finished a fantastic freshman campaign with a first place finish in the 100-meter with a time of 11.17 and helped the 4x100-meter relay team take first with a time of 41.61. He also placed second in the 200-meter with a time of 22.07.

Freshman Joey Hart competed in four different events, including a first-place finish in the long jump (23' 3.5"). He also placed third in the triple jump, fifth in the high jump and was a part of the 4x100-meter relay team that placed first with a season best time of 41.61.

"Joey did that (long jump) on the sixth and final jump," O'Connor said. "He went from third place to first."

Hart was named the Male Outstanding Field Athlete of the Meet for his efforts.

"I was kind of surprised and pretty shocked," Hart said of the honor. "I was pretty happy."

Freshman Elias Gedyon placed first in the 1,500 (3:58.07), second in the 800 (1:54.23) and first in the 5k (15:23.46).

"It felt good," Gedyon said. "Mentally, I've been having a couple of doubts because everything was not in pace with the team. Coach told me things would come out perfectly down the road. That patience has kind of helped me out."

Gedyon tied Spokane's sprinter Brent Arceneaus as the men's high point winners with 28 points each.

Gedyon was named the Male Outstanding Track Athlete of the Meet.

"Having that plaque was really tremendous and a big deal to me," Gedyon said. "I did my best to help the team."

Freshman Brandon Nash continued his dominance in the high jump by winning the event with a jump of 6'8".

Freshman Erik Jorgensen placed first in the pole vault with a height of 15' 2.75", while teammate freshman Connor White placed third with a height of 14' 6.75".

Spokane's women beat Lane 201-168. Mt. Hood finished in third place with 106 points.

For the second year in a row, Adams State College-bound sophomore Gylany Crossman won the 10k championship — this time in PR fashion with a time of 38:09.

"It was great to be 10k champion both years as a Titan," Crossman said. "This year was more competitive, but my coach had a really good strategy. He made sure I didn't go out too fast and had me just hang on, slowly moving up."

Crossman credited the victory to the dedication of her team cheering her on until the finish line.

"It was a really fun race," Crossman added. "I couldn't have done it without my team cheering. I had someone at every 100 (meters) cheering me on and no other team had that. The support was incredible."

Crossman also placed second in the 5k (18:22.74) and second place in the 1,500 (4:48.09).

"(Crossman) scored us 26 points," O'Connor said. "That's a lot of mileage on the track."

Crossman was honored by the NWAACC as the Red Lion Scholarship women's award winner, receiving \$1,000 towards her education.

Freshman Tara Carlton won the pole vault with a height of 10'11.5". Freshman Colleen Walsh placed second, freshman Janelle Noga placed third and sophomore Barry McLaren placed fifth. The women's pole vault group earned 32 points on the day.

McLaren also placed second in the high jump (5' 0.5") and third place in the 800 with a time of 2:19.37.

Freshman sprinter Allie Church placed second in the 100-meter (12.56) and second in the 200-meter (25.48).

Freshman Kaimi Zablan placed second in the shot put with a heave of 11.77 meters.

Freshman Shay Applegate placed second in the long jump (17' 2.75").

The women's 4x100 and 4x400 relay teams placed third with times of 49.60 and 3:58.33, respectively.

O'Connor was voted the NWAACC Women's Coach of the Year.

"It makes me feel good for my coaching staff," O'Connor said of the honor. " (The coaches) deserved it. I feel I have the best coaches in the conference."

Both teams ended the NWAACC Championships with 24 men receiving All-American status and 20 women receiving All-American status. In order to receive All-American status, athletes must finish in the top three in their events.

"(I'm) more proud of the team — men and women, rallying and supporting one another. And they didn't quit," O'Connor said. "That was inspiring."

"We all did pretty well," Hart added. "There were some points we were expecting to get that we didn't. But we also got some points that we weren't expected to get."



## BASEBALL

# Titans split final doubleheader

Lane places third in the Southern Region.

BY JON FUCCILLO  
Sports Editor

The Lane Titans may have come up short in making the NWAACC Championships, but they sent their five sophomores out on a high note.

They traveled to Albany May 17 and split a doubleheader with the Linn-Benton Roadrunners for their final two games of the season.

The Titans lost game one 5-3, then bounced back with a 6-3 victory in game two.

"Nice note to leave on," Titans head coach Josh Blunt said. "Leaves you with a warm feeling."

Sophomore Elliot Sherrell had a similar response as his coach.

"It was a good way to go out," Sherrell said. "Everybody was able to leave the field with a smile on their face, so I can't complain. A sweep would have been better though."

On seeing his sophomores play their final games of the season in Lane uniforms, Blunt said it's always hard to swallow.

"I've been doing this for 15 years," he said. "It's hard."

Freshman Dawson Phiney (6-3, 3.52 ERA), who had been riding a two-game winning streak on the mound, picked up the loss for the Titans in game one. He pitched 7.1 innings, scattered 10 hits and gave up four earned runs in the losing effort.

Down 5-0 through five-innings of action, the Titans refused to go away. They scored three runs in the top of the sixth inning but would never score again.

Sherrell went 2-for-4 with 2 RBIs.

"He (Sherrell) swung the bat well," Blunt said. "He has been injury-plagued for the last month or so. It's been a little bit of a struggle down the stretch (for him). He's a super young man!"

Freshman Colben McGuire (4-4, 2.40 ERA) looked superb for the Titans on the bump in game two. He pitched six innings, gave up four hits and two runs, and struck out a season-high nine batters. His previ-

ous high was six strikeouts.

Sophomore closer Zach Kayser (3-1, 3.00 ERA) recorded the save in the seventh inning.

"He (McGuire) was flat-out dominant," Blunt said.

Asked what was working in McGuire's favor, Blunt simply said, "Everything."

"He was down in the zone with plus secondary stuff," Blunt said. "Best outing he's had all year — maybe the best outing we've had all year. (It was the) first time all year I said, 'The guy on the mound was better than Kayser.'"

For the second time in four games, freshman Spencer Smith managed to hit a single, a double and a triple at the dish. He also scored three runs.

The Titans scored early with two runs in the top of the first inning. They would pile on three more runs in the top of the second inning to jump out to a 5-0 lead.

In the bottom of the seventh inning, the Roadrunners loaded the bases with one out. But Kayser was able to get out of the jam, giving up only one run.

Freshman Shaun Boehm went 1-for-4 with an RBI. He finished the season batting a team-best .349. Freshman Alex Cornwell finished the season batting .339.

Blunt is already looking towards the future.

"If we can stay healthy and improve, we're going to be a contender next year," he said. "The expectations are going to be pretty high for next year's club."

"There's going to be some competition (next year)," Blunt added. "We had a very, very good recruiting class."

The Titans have already signed "seven or eight" players for next season. This is Blunt's first full year recruiting his own players since he took over the program this season.

Blunt made no excuses for missing the playoffs, but admitted it was a tough transition to playing doubleheaders, something he wasn't used to in California.

"We play more games in a month-shorter span, compared to California," he said.

## Better luck next year

Sorry fellas. Not this season.

Titans' baseball came and went like the seasons in a year.

The team missed the NWAACC Championships in Longview, Wash., after finishing the season in third place with an overall record of 23-17 and 17-13 in Southern Region action.

Not bad for a team that only had five sophomores and 18 freshmen.

Like any coach, Titans' first-year head coach Josh Blunt had high expectations for his club. His goal was to start a culture for Lane's baseball program. He told me, both at the beginning and towards the end of the season, the team's goal was to make the postseason.

But sometimes, teams fall short of their goals. That's life in a nutshell.

The Titans ended up four games out of second place, behind the Chemeketa Storm (25-19, 21-9). The Titans beat the Storm four of six games this season. The top two teams in the conference advance to the playoffs.

I don't want to say the team collapsed under pressure. However, the Titans started conference play with a booming 7-1 record. Then they lost seven out of eight games in the middle of the season. I would describe their season as a rollercoaster with a lot of ups, downs, twist and turns.

## HATS OFF



BY JON FUCCILLO  
Sports Editor

All 13 of the Titans' losses in conference play were decided by four runs or less. But there are no locks or guarantees in baseball. Especially with a predominantly freshman team.

The big positive? Eighteen players are returning! Well, that's the hope anyways.

I had the chance to cover the team all season, one exciting game after another.

Of course, as a reporter, you want to stay neutral and unbiased, but I couldn't help but wish them the best while watching the Titans develop throughout the season.

Blunt never used the youth of his team as an excuse, although he admitted some of the teams in the region were more seasoned with more sophomore depth.

Blunt said it best: You need to face adversity in a long season. He never praised his team when they got off to that 7-1 start. Don't get me wrong: He was happy with the results on the scoreboard. But he knew there was a lot of baseball left.

Like the team, I was happy the Titans left the field with a 6-3 victory over the Linn-Benton Roadrunners in Albany on May 17. It's always a plus to finish the season with a win.

Watch out for the Titans next season. With potentially 18 returners and a big recruiting class, the sky is the limit.

Lane Community College's End of the Year Event

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May 31st, 2012

Celebrating Student Life

Presented by ASLCC  
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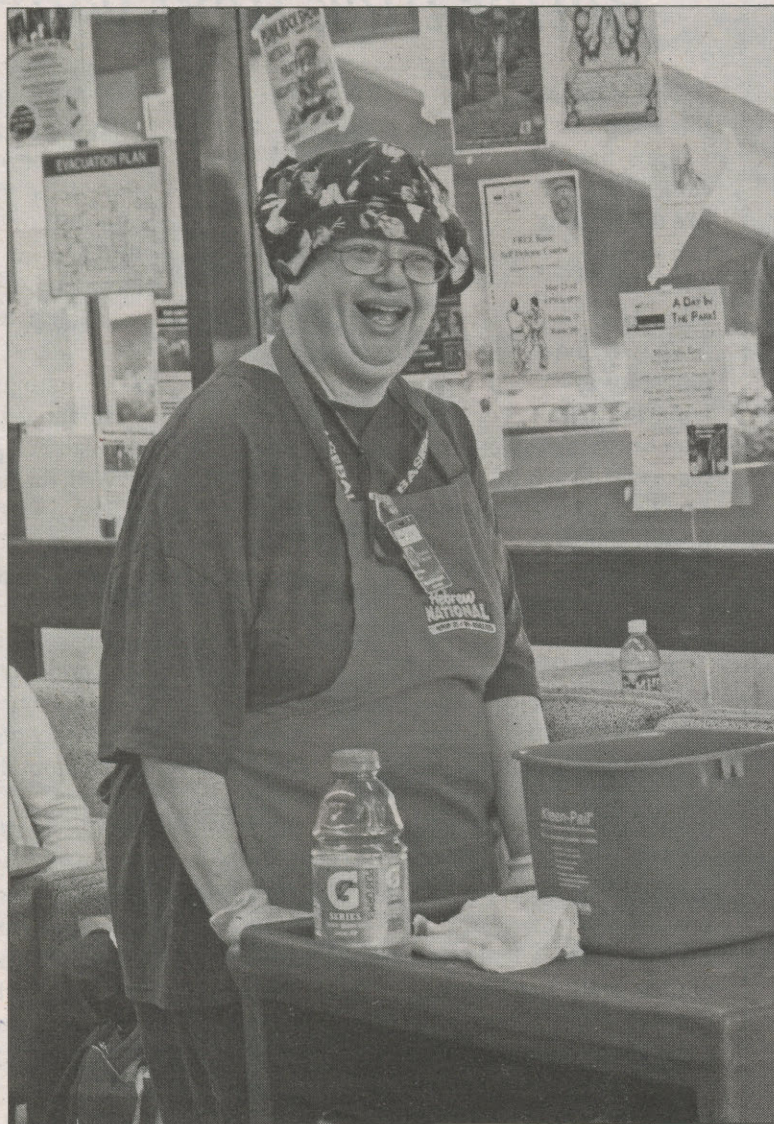
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Carla Kreklua, student worker, busses tables and laughs with students in the cafeteria in the Center Building.



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Sheena Scott, student worker, washes equipment for the science lab.

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Alyse Stone

director, Specialized Support Services

# Program benefits students, LCC

Specialized Support Services puts students with disabilities in key roles across campus.

BY LEAH AVERETT  
Features Editor

Carla Kreklua scans the LCC cafeteria, spots abandoned paper plates and plastic bottles, and rolls her red cart forward, cleaning every inch of the tabletop.

"Recycling is one of my favorite things to do," says Kreklua, 48, a student worker for Specialized Support Services. "Hamburger wrappers don't belong in there. I know what belongs and what doesn't."

Kreklua is one of the 85 SSS student workers employed around campus and town. The program assists adult students with a broad range of disabilities, meeting their unique educational and employment goals through training and community activities.

The program illustrates LCC's mission of transforming lives through learning, says director Alyse Stone.

The program helps to save the college money, Stone says, and it is more than simply a "feel-good" effort.

"I want people to get past the 'oh, isn't that nice, what you're doing for them.' We are making a difference, and not just in the lives of student workers," she says.

Through a complex structure of state and federal funds, SSS has moved away from the old model of training disabled students in sheltered workshops to integrating them into the broader community. Preparing some students to find work off campus is an important goal.

Kim Hayes, development disabilities specialist, says the cafeteria is

one of several campus areas that functions both as a job site and classroom.

The program is considered a curriculum with a component of job development. It helps students establish and reach vocational goals and to meet customized benchmarks, such as independent living or trying out new jobs on and off campus.

"We provide them with as many different experiences as we can find. It can be frustrating (for them) if they aren't meeting benchmarks such as driving. We will help them to find alternative benchmarks," she says.

The student workers are expected to show up to work on time and wear their nametags. Most pack their lunches each day. Between noon and 12:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, the student workers gather in the cafeteria on their lunch break. Lunch coolers of all shapes and sizes are opened, and conversations move from sushi to fishing to car break-ins.

Kreklua gives advice to those circled around her table and maintains a steady stream of conversation.

Her wire-rimmed glasses stop her trademark Tweety Bird and Sylvester cap from engulfing the top half of her face.

"This is my flock," Kreklua says. "I can't lose anybody. They are a lot of help and a lot of love ... I do lose my temper sometimes. I've blown it. They tell me to calm down, but sometimes I don't want to be quiet. I want to socialize. Yeah, I get mad sometimes, but I'm still lovable."

Back at work bussing tables, Kreklua

pauses many times, and throws her arms wide to welcome an embrace from an assortment of LCC students.

"Carla should get an award for teaching students about recycling when she cleans the tables. Maybe they don't want a lesson, but she gives it to them if she sees someone not putting something in the right place," Karen Richey, SSS support staff, says and laughs.

Richey said Kreklua is a focused, dedicated worker, who is very loving and "thinks everybody is a beautiful this or a beautiful that."

The SSS program is a valuable partner in LCC's campus-wide recycling program that has saved the college over \$275,000 over the past nine years, recycling coordinator Mike Sims says.

In addition to the recycling program, the student workers clean LCC's restrooms, bus cafeteria tables, wash dishes and provide laundry services through contracts with various college departments, including the Bookstore, Food Services, and Facilities Management and Planning. Contracts with companies such as McKenzie Willamette Hospital, Springfield School District and Quantum Inc. provide additional jobs for student workers on campus.

Job developer Patty Parks says SSS plans to take several student workers to Sheldon Oaks retirement community this week for a Career Exploration with lunch and a tour. This new offering sprang from the Job Club meetings held twice a month for SSS student workers, which provide training modules such as résumé-building

and dressing for success.

Through Career Exploration, prospective employers and the student worker can meet face to face.

"There are too many stereotypes. These guys are pretty darn sharp and not that different, and they will probably be more loyal since they often don't mind routines," Parks says.

Although the recession has made it more difficult to secure student jobs, Parks continues to seek positions within the community to match the workers' skill sets, and federal tax incentives serve as a motivation for employers. Once a worker has been hired, an SSS job coach shadows them, gradually decreasing support as goals are met.

"They have to be able to do the job. Most (employers) aren't going to hire for the feel-good piece, because they just can't afford to. The student worker has to produce," Parks says.

Currently, off-campus employment opportunities are available at Oak Street Child Development Center, Courtyard Marriott Hotel, and Red Barn Natural Foods.

Although Kreklua says she worked at the YMCA when she was in her 20s, she loves working at LCC. Knowing so many people who float through the cafeteria, she says she gets distracted from her work sometimes, but it doesn't bother her much.

A voice from across the room yells out: "Bye Carla. It was good talking to you."

She extends her arm in a full arc goodbye and yells back: "Don't you know it."



# LaneStock will focus on student life

Festival looks to improve reputation.

BY KYLE WEBB  
Reporter

The third annual LaneStock is set to begin on May 31 at noon, with the theme of “celebrating student life.”

“LaneStock is an end-of-the-year celebration where student activity fees are used to put on a fun event in the heart of the main campus that everyone can enjoy,” LaneStock logistics coordinator Tracy Weimer said.

While organizers aim is to provide a fun event for all to enjoy, LaneStock has not always been as well-received as they hoped. “(The first year) it didn’t have a broad appeal for music,” said Barbara Delansky, LCC director of student life and leadership development. She said a musician who was dressed in nothing but his underwear and yelled profanities tarnished the first year of LaneStock.

Along with this tarnished record came a resounding bill of \$10,525.49.

While the first year of LaneStock had some problems, Delansky said, the students involved “had much to learn, and on all accounts, the second year was much better.”

“We learned what works and what doesn’t,” Campus Events Director Lauren Appell said.

The 2011 LaneStock budget stopped at \$9,139. While the cost did go down, Appell still felt LaneStock wasn’t as well received as it could have been.

“The first year was a little rough. Last year was way better,” Delansky said. “This year will be way better than the last.”

This year’s LaneStock budget has \$8,000 in appropriated funds. According to documents provided by Tracy Weimer, \$6,546.53 has been spent so far.

The goal for this year’s LaneStock is to refocus the event

to highlight the students. In efforts to reach their goal, the planning committee for LaneStock booked a diverse range of musicians and elicited feedback from students to tailor the event to what the students want.

“This year, (LaneStock) is about celebrating student life, and having mostly student bands and student vendors is a great way to celebrate each other’s capabilities,” LaneStock vendor coordinator Corinne Mooney said.

The entertainment this year includes an eclectic blend of music and dance, including a didgeridoo performance by Tyler Spencer, belly dancing by Lena Hipps, jazz by Invisible Arts Project, dance by LCC Collaborations Club, DJs, bands and a few solo artists.

Along with entertainment, vendors will sell their handmade goods, which range from cupcakes and hula hoops to jewelry and clothing.

“My focus (is) to get student artists involved to sell their handmade goods and meet other Lane artists,” Mooney said. “It is free to vend and a great opportunity for students to build a customer base.”

After the music festival, which will end at 6 p.m., there will be a reception in the Center Building cafeteria directly after.

“The reception will be put on by Council of Clubs,” Appell said. “There will be awards handed out to clubs and unions on campus.”

“Students aren’t usually highlighted beyond academics. We hope to showcase other aspects of their lives,” Appell said. “We want students to share what they are passionate about.”

LaneStock will be held on Bristol Square, located between the Center for the Performing Arts and the Center Building. Admission is free.

# HOUSING: Units fully furnished

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Construction, which began in March of 2011, is right on schedule, said Helen Garrett, the executive dean of student affairs.

Though rent prices have not been announced, Garrett said rent will be competitive with other downtown locations.

The project includes 55 four-bedroom units, five two-bedroom units that house four people — two to a room — and 15 studios. Occupants will sign a one-year lease and if all of the rooms are full, downtown could have 255 new residents. The 75 furnished apartments will also include dishwashers, microwaves, refrigerators, stoves, flat-screen TVs, Wi-Fi access and paid utilities, Garrett said.

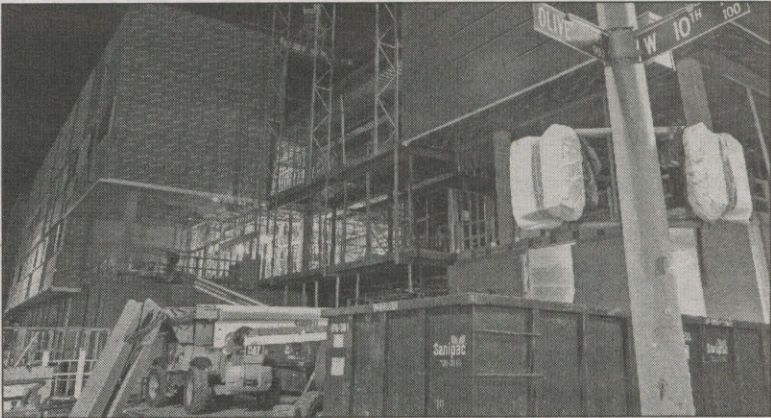
According to its builder, Lease Crutcher Lewis, the building is designed to achieve LEED gold status, a mark of sustainable building practices.

“The building has been set up to do a lot of day-lighting. There are low-flow toilets, low-flow showers,” said Garret. “And the point of living at Titan Court is that, by your living experience, you will understand what a sustainable lifestyle is; and then as you move out, you’re going to continue that and spread it.”

Blanton Turner is the property management firm. Barry Blanton, the chief problem-solver of the firm, said management will be “environmentally conscious” — for example, cleaning with “green” products. Blanton Turner has been managing property for the University of Washington since 1997 and Seattle University since 2012.

Blanton said they haven’t seen any problems in either of those places.

“We are very pleased to work with Lane. They are really taking the



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Titan Court is nearly completed and will have 75 furnished apartments, and can hold 255 residents.

lead (in the project),” Blanton said, and added with a laugh “pardon the pun.”

The project could also breathe life into downtown businesses with 255 new residents potentially opting for a mid-day meal or late-night snack at one of the many downtown eateries.

“It’s going to change the nature of the businesses down there — think about Voodoo Doughnuts alone,” Garrett said.

The project has raised some concern in the community about students running wild downtown. However, the student housing will have resident assistants on each floor, as well as LCC Public Safety officers patrolling the area.

“We are a community college, so some of our students can be of drinking age and some not, but (students are) going to be expected to have respectful behavior,” Garret said, “In terms of security, we have Public Safety available during the day, on the weekends and in the evening.”

Garret said Public Safety officers will do more than keep students from being disrespectful and out of control. They will also keep the students and the area safe at night.

Kevin Loder has been attending LCC since last spring. On his bus ride to and from school, he noticed an empty space downtown known as “the pit.” He looked into it and found out it was going to be student housing for LCC.

Loder gave a speech to the College and Career Success Learning Community, in which he mentioned an interest in being an R.A. for the complex. After his speech, Garrett approached him and said she could help him get the position. Loder has not been assured the position, but is still excited about the possibility.

“Part of being an R.A. is helping the students and creating a sense of community,” said Loder.

Emily Baarstad, a LCC student who spent a year in Arizona before returning to Eugene, is skeptical about the situation.

“It sounds like a great deal, but there must be a catch. I would be wary about it, but definitely consider the option,” Baarstad said.

Student Zach Cooper said depending on the cost, he would look into the housing.

“If the price was right, then I don’t see why I wouldn’t at least check it out,” Cooper said.

## SPRING TERM FINALS SCHEDULE | JUNE 11–16

First day of class is Monday, Wednesday or Friday

Class start time	Exam day	Exam time
7 a.m. or 7:30 a.m.	Friday, June 15	7 a.m. to 8:50 a.m.
8 a.m. or 8:30 a.m.	Monday, June 11	8 a.m. to 9:50 a.m.
9 a.m. or 9:30 a.m.	Wednesday, June 13	8 to 9:50 a.m.
10 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.	Monday, June 11	10 a.m. to 11:50 a.m.
11 a.m. or 11:30 a.m.	Wednesday, June 13	10 a.m. to 11:50 a.m.
Noon or 12:30 p.m.	Monday, June 11	Noon to 1:50 p.m.
1 p.m. or 1:30 p.m.	Wednesday, June 13	Noon to 1:50 p.m.
2 p.m. or 2:30 p.m.	Monday, June 11	2 p.m. to 3:50 p.m.
3 p.m. or 3:30 p.m.	Wednesday, June 13	2 p.m. to 3:50 p.m.
4 p.m. or 4:30 p.m.	Monday, June 11	4 p.m. to 5:50 p.m.
5 p.m.	Wednesday, June 13	4 p.m. to 5:50 p.m.

First day of class is Tuesday or Thursday

Class start time	Exam day	Exam time
7 a.m. or 7:30 a.m.	Friday, June 15	9 a.m. to 10:50 a.m.
8 a.m. or 8:30 a.m.	Tuesday, June 12	8 a.m. to 9:50 a.m.
9 a.m. or 9:30 a.m.	Thursday, June 14	8 a.m. to 9:50 a.m.
10 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.	Tuesday, June 12	10 a.m. to 11:50 a.m.
11 a.m. or 11:30 a.m.	Thursday, June 14	10 a.m. to 11:50 a.m.
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Evening and weekend classes: Examinations scheduled during regular class times. This schedule does not apply to Downtown Business Education Center classes.

## NEWS BRIEFS

### LCC closed Memorial Day

On May 28, LCC will be closed. No classes will be held and no services will be available.

### Graphic Design exhibit opens May 29

The Art Gallery in Building 11 will present the annual Graphic Design Graduation Exhibition. This exhibition will feature many varied portfolio pieces submitted by the graduating students of the Graphic Design Program.

The show runs from May 29 to June 14, with a reception on June 13 from 4 to 6 p.m.

### Ragozzino dedication set for June 1

The Department of Music, Dance and Theatre Arts will

formally dedicate its main stage performance hall as the Ragozzino Performance hall in festivities to be held June 1 at 7:30 p.m.

The program features music, dance and theatre performances by noted performers including current and former LCC instructors Siri Vik, Marc Siegel, Jim Greenwood, Shirley Andress, Vicki Brabham, Al Villanueva, Peg Major and others.

Theater instructor Judith “Sparky” Roberts will direct a scene from the recent LCC production of Shakespeare’s “Twelfth Night.” Tap dancer Amanda Clark will perform with the Lane Jazz Ensemble, and a selection of choreography from The Works dance concert will be featured.



## OUTSIDE THE BOX



BY CHELSEA VAN BAALEN  
A&E Editor

## Viva la food cart!

At 7 p.m. last Thursday, my roommate and I asked each other, "What's for dinner?"

Tired from the week, I had no desire to even turn on my stove. Living in West Eugene, my options were limited to Jack in the Box, McDonald's or Subway.

But one option had escaped my mind: Adrienne's food cart, nearby at West 7th Avenue and Chambers Street, sells amazing Mexican food for a low price. Imagine a 7 lb. burrito for \$5. Can you find that at Burrito Boy?

After withdrawing cash, placing my order and walking home, I bit into my burrito and found the most satisfying flavor. Made from scratch, no combo meal could ever compare with this burrito, even though the two are approximately the same price.

As students, it's easy to think our cuisine is limited to ramen noodles, or macaroni and processed cheese. When we do splurge to eat food from behind a counter, it's either in the dining halls or accompanied by fries.

This doesn't have to be so. Food carts offer a great quality, low prices and a different experience.

While cities like Portland are well-known for their food cart craze, Eugene is beginning to embrace the concept of the mobile lunch and dinner.

Depending on your location, one is never terribly hard to find either. A walk around UO's campus puts you in the path of several, including that wonderful hot dog stand on East 13th Avenue and Kincaid Street. As night falls, downtown has carts that conveniently crop up in front of bars. Next to my favorite cart in West Eugene is a BBQ stand to add variety.

Given the mobility of food carts, part of the fun is tracking down your favorite. Every visit is a new experience, and some carts appear at different times on different days. And remember: No two food carts are exactly the same. If you're having trouble deciding which cart to visit, my tip is to not go by name, but flavor. What are you craving?

By patronizing these carts, you're supporting the local economy. I have yet to see a food cart chain between cities. That would ruin the charm. Instead, I am comforted knowing my money goes directly to the owners, not mysterious people decked out in polyester and a nametag. Supporting food carts is a win-win: You get delicious food and the owners maintain their livelihood.

As I ate my burrito, I couldn't believe I almost gave my money to a fast-food chain. As a college student, I've indulged in fast food, but never with a guilt-free conscience. Now, with the knowledge that Adrienne's doesn't close until 8 p.m., my conscience and stomach just got a lot happier.

## Showing off THE WORKS

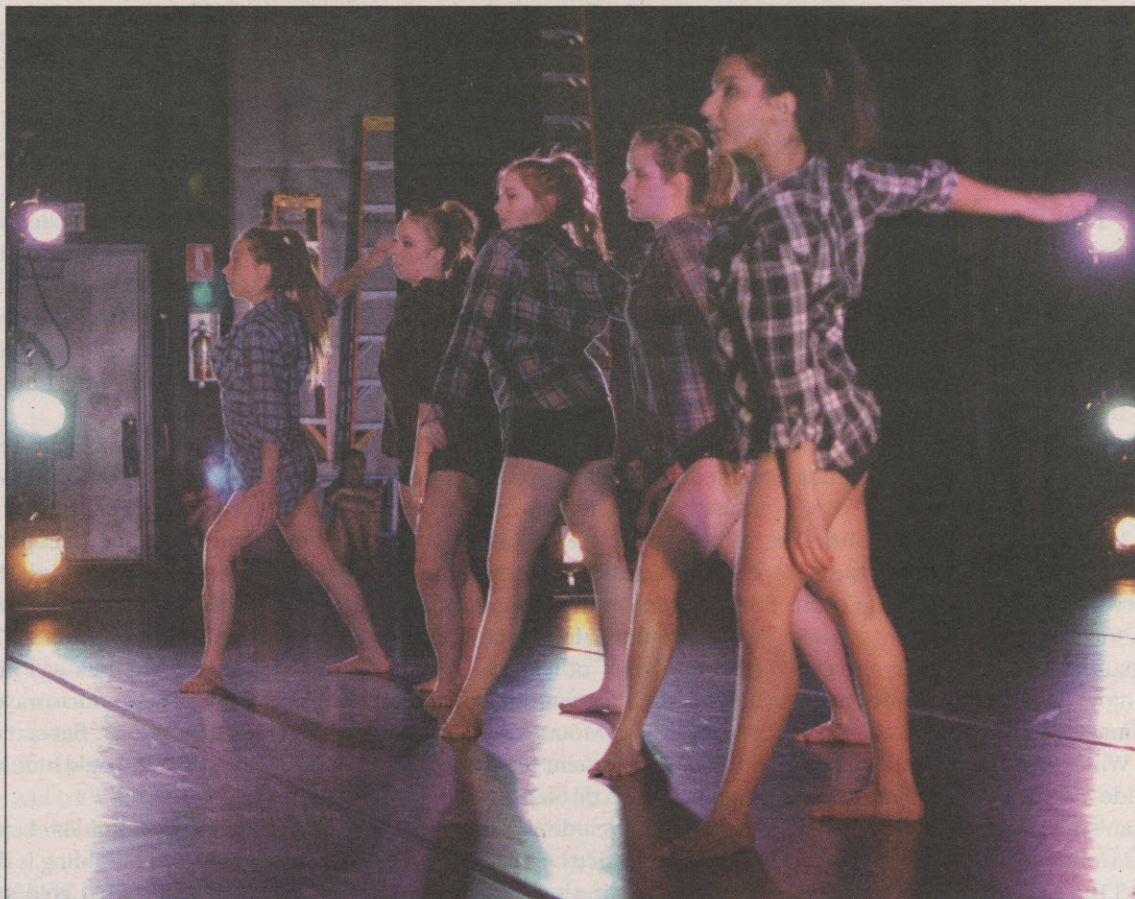
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TURNER MAXWELL

The LCC Dance Program hosted *The Works*, a student dance concert in the Ragozzino Performance Hall, from May 17 to May 19.

**Right:** From left, Katie Newbold, Margaret Dixon-McDonald, Mariah Melson, Caitlin Nelson, Liesa Haddad perform "Quimica," choreographed by Liesa Haddad.

**Bottom left:** Azurite Nuray performs in "Transverberation," choreographed by Jillian Samanas.

**Bottom right:** Leisa Haddad performs in her self-choreographed solo piece "Move."



## SYMPHONIC BAND

## A Latin farewell

Concert will feature various Latin pieces.

BY CHELSEA VAN BAALEN  
A&E Editor

In its final performance of the year, LCC's Symphonic Band is lining up a Latin music show for May 31, said Brian Lewis, a second-year bass clarinet player.

"We're pulling out all the stops," Lewis said.

For the performance, director Ron Bertucci has lined up a set list featuring exclusively Latin music.

"There's a huge wealth of music that stems from Latin culture," Bertucci said. "We do programs that focus on other stuff. This Latin music is worth equal time."

Bertucci selected Latin music for the final performance for a variety of reasons, calling the music "infectious and positive," especially in the spring.

The Latin pieces combine melody, harmony and rhythm, but the latter is fairly unique.

"It's like dance music ... It hits us right at our core," Bertucci said,

and that aspect makes the music enjoyable as everyone has a natural rhythm.

"It frees us up to be more rhythmic on other music," Bertucci said.

Bertucci selected pieces and composers from a variety of Latin countries.

Third-year music major and bass player Rhys Gates is looking forward to the upcoming performance.

"I've never played Latin symphonic (music) before. It's fun," Gates said.

Bertucci said the class had to attune themselves to the rhythm of the music in class, and that the end performance is a natural outcome of their preparation.

"All that work we've put in is finally coming out," Lewis said.

With the selection of Latin music, Bertucci said he hoped to expose both the audience and the class to a batch of new music and composers.

"They connect with music of a different culture," Bertucci said.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Camerosity: An Evening of Improvised Theater

Student Productions Association member Tim O'Donnell and a series of LCC's improv actors will host a performance on May 29 at 7:30 p.m. in the Blue Door Theater to benefit Relay for Life. Donations will be accepted at the door and raise funds for Relay for Life's Team Choose Joy. Doors open at 7 p.m.

#### Spring Jazz Faculty Concert

Six Eugene jazz instructors will perform on May 24 at 7:30 p.m. for the Annual Faculty Jazz Concert in the Ragozzino Performance Hall. The bebop-themed concert will feature Ron Bertucci, Dave Bender, Olem Alves, Matt Svoboda, Nathan Waddell and Glenn Griffin.

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

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