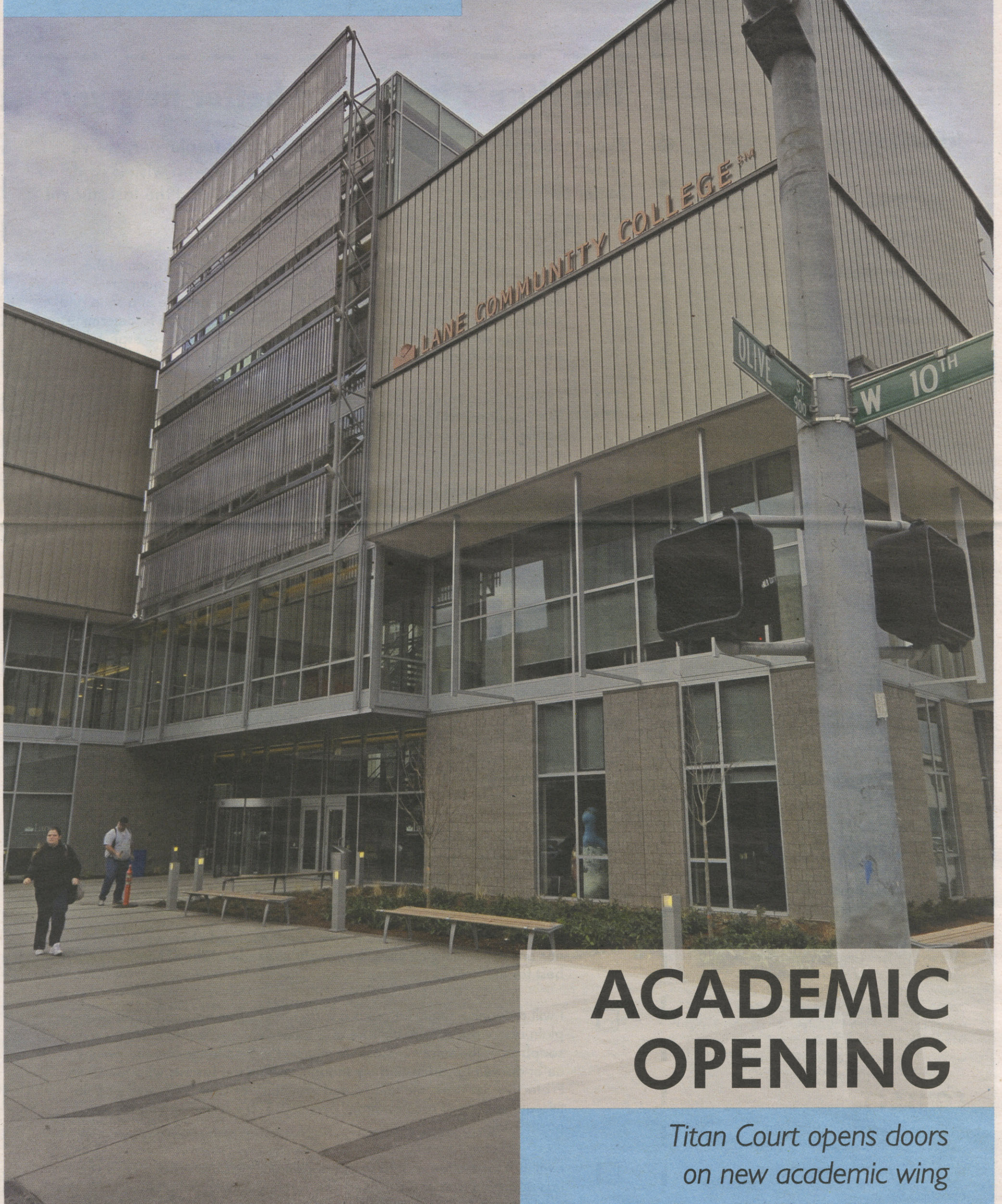


# THE TORCH

LANE COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER

LCCTORCH.COM



## ACADEMIC OPENING

*Titan Court opens doors  
on new academic wing*

**TOP-RANKING  
TITANS** / pp. 4-5

**CHILD CARE  
TRIUMPHS** / p. 7

**NATIONAL ARTISTS  
IN GALLERIES** / p. 8

# THE TORCH

LANE COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER

LCCTORCH.COM

## EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Byron Hughey

## NEWSROOM

NEWS EDITOR

Jeff Knebel

SPORTS EDITOR

Ryan Kostecka

FEATURES EDITOR

Kyle Webb

PHOTO EDITOR

Eugene Johnson

PHOTOGRAPHERS

Joshua Purvis

Sunny Zylstra

REPORTERS

Cameron Ritchey

Ivan LaFollette

Rowen Voris

## PRODUCTION

MANAGING EDITORS

Sean Hanson

Brett Stanley

WEB EDITOR / ILLUSTRATOR

Kassidy Zuniga

DESIGN EDITOR

Hilary Thompson

ADVERTISING MANAGER

Matthew Smith

MEDIA MANAGER

Taya Alami

## ADVISERS

NEWS AND EDITORIAL

Paige Parker

PRODUCTION

Dorothy Wearné

## POLICY

Letters to the editor should be limited to 300 words.

Guest commentaries should be limited to 500 words.

Please include the author's name, phone number and address (for verification purposes only).

*The Torch* reserves the right to edit letters and commentary for length, grammar, spelling, libel, invasion of privacy and appropriate language.

*The Torch* reserves the right to publish at its discretion. All web and print content is the property of *The Torch* and cannot be republished without editorial permission.

Up to two copies per issue per person of *The Torch* are free; each additional copy is \$2.

## CONTACT

The Torch

Lane Community College

4000 E. 30th Ave.

Eugene, OR 97405

torcheditor@lanecc.edu

## The Titan's guide to a better new year

Even though we at *The Torch* have failed at our resolutions, we've drawn up a list of resolutions for you, the student who wishes to do better this year. Check 'em when you break 'em, and the last student with an empty box wins the prize: transcendence.



I will not reenact Wal-Mart's Black Friday or the Fall of Saigon at the Titan Store by raping and/or pillaging inside its cramped quarters. Rather, I will purchase my books days in advance, behave in a sane and orderly manner, use my considerable powers of deduction to determine how lines work, chill the hell out and be cool about books — especially since I won't need them until the third week anyway.



I will not be a know-it-all. I will leave instruction to the instructors. The Civil War might be fictitious, the moon landing might have been staged by Stanley Kubrick and there might, indeed, be a better way to solve quadratic equations, but no one wants to be bothered by what I think I know. There are two of me in every class, derailing a syllabus-bound instructor by presenting alternative — even oppositional — interpretations of course materials.



I will not use a roly backpack. These abominations of luggage for learnin' lash out and savagely attack the toes and ankles of anyone unfortunate enough to pass me in the hallway, the elevator, class, the stairs, the bathroom ... everywhere. And while I might think I need to pack for an extended vacation for class every day, I must remember this is Lane — not Margaritaville — and I'm not an ex-pat getting weird on the beaches of Thailand. I am exempt from this resolution if I have a legitimate medical reason for using such luggage.



I will learn to park straight, smoke bowls at home if I have a legitimate medical reason to smoke bowls and carpool whenever possible because the accumulation of exhaust and marijuana fumes in the parking lots are every bit as life-threatening as the aneurysm my Lot L foes are nurturing as they try to squeeze in next to my decaying, crooked-ass hatchback.



I will only register for classes I plan on attending, instead of contributing to the above-decried parking lot chaos, bothering my classmates, abusing the faculty and offering 18-year-olds grand tours of my Veneta sex dungeon for the two weeks leading up to financial aid disbursement.



I will question neither Lane's sudden, unannounced changes in class times nor any scheduling conflicts they might engender. "They" know what's best for me.



I will recognize financial aid is a form of socialism and no longer complain about the evils of welfare and other "commie bullshit" from my soapbox at the smoking kiosk. Similarly, I will no longer be the twitchy ne'er-do-well broadcasting my thoughts about the fascists who run Child Protective Services, the unmatched symmetry of Cher's ass and popular misconceptions of race relations circa 2013. It's a smoking kiosk, not pirate radio.



I will not take offense at this editorial simply because I recognized some less-desirable trait and assumed *The Torch* was describing yours truly. The world doesn't revolve around me. However, now that I've realized *The Torch* employs only the best student-journalists — a good-hearted bunch all around, with good heads on their shoulders — I will read this rag every week.

# NEW YEAR, NEW BUILDING

New campus houses downtown departments after transition

BY JEFF KNEBEL  
News Editor

Lane's new Downtown Campus bustled Jan. 7, the first day of winter term and the opening day of classes at the college's \$33.1 million project, campus dean Jenette Kane said.

Kane described the December transition from the college's former Downtown Center to its new campus at 101 W. 10th Ave. as a mostly smooth one.

The new 91,818-square-foot building is home to hundreds of classes being offered this term, Kane said.

"We brought over all of the existing programs from the old building," said Kane, who is also the dean of Titan Court and Lane's Cottage Grove campus. "We will continue to increase the number of classes offered as demand and space allow."

The new Downtown Campus is equipped with 30 classrooms — more than the old facility, Kane said.

The ground floor accommodates continuing education, the Successful Aging Institute, Center for Meeting and Learning, conference space, classrooms and the Titan Store.

The second floor is designated for adult basic and secondary education, English as a second language, Lane's massage therapy program, and additional classrooms.

Lane's Small Business Development Center, as well as nursing and fashion programs, are located on the third floor.

The fourth level and rooftop are home to Lane's energy management program.

Some of the college's goals for the new facility over the next year, Kane said, are to increase the flow of students to the campus and offer services to the community at large.

"What we want to do is really get the community involved here. There is plenty of space for events and things like that," Kane said.

At this time, specific enrollment numbers are not known for the new Downtown Campus. The college expects the new facility to attract more students from across the community, and from Lane's new downtown housing building, Titan Court.

In Fall 2011, 5,831 Lane students attended classes at the old Downtown Center on Willamette Street, according to college numbers.

Lane President Dr. Mary Spilde said she is pleased the new campus opened on schedule and that the transition went well.

"There are still several things that will be worked on over the next few weeks, as there always are in new facilities, but students should find a very enhanced learning environment," Spilde said.

One such enhancement is to the fashion design department, noted instructor Geno Gutierrez, also a Spanish instructor, who formerly taught at the old campus.

"We love it here (the new Downtown Campus). We're much better accommodated," she said. "We've been waiting for this a long time."

Gutierrez said that when the program was located at the old building some of her students left because of a lack of resources and equipment, and because of a poor learning environment.

Now, however, her classrooms at the new location are more comfortable and are stocked with new equipment such as sewing machines.

"Students said that when we get a new classroom they would come back. Now they are," Gutierrez said. "The other building was just too old. It wasn't enough."

Lane student Connor Eastburn, who is taking classes at the new campus, said he thinks the new facility will help to attract more students to the college.

"It's more open and has better lighting, and the old building was often too cold," he said. "I think this new campus was a really great idea."

Lane will hold a public grand opening for the Downtown Campus March 15.

A view from the fourth floor of the new Lane campus stairwell provides expanding views of downtown.

EUGENE JOHNSON / THE TORCH



EUGENE JOHNSON / THE TORCH

Lane sophomore guard Jordan Wilcox puts defensive pressure on a Mt. Hood Community College Saints player in a Jan. 5 game in Eugene. The Titans won 87-43.

# TITANS GET PRESEASON JUMP

The women's and men's basketball teams made Lane history this year when both were awarded the top ranking in the NWAACC polls after the fourth week of the season [By Ryan Kostecka](#)



EUGENE JOHNSON / THE TORCH

Titan sophomore forward Megan Shields scores two of her game high 14 points against Mt. Hood Jan. 5.

## WOMEN'S WRAP-UP

The women began the preseason by participating in the Everett Community College tournament Nov. 16 to Nov. 18.

The Titans defeated their three opponents — Columbia Basin Community College, Bellevue College and Everett Community College — by an average of 16 points per game to go home as champions.

Freshman guard Simone Thompson opened up her Titans career averaging 22 points per game in the tournament to take home most valuable player honors.

Sophomore Megan Shields averaged a double-double for the tournament with 13.7 points and 11.3 rebounds per game.

After a 42-point victory against Clark College Nov. 29, Lane traveled to Lakewood, Wash., to compete in the Pierce Community College tournament.

No team was able to take down the Titans as they beat all three of their opponents by an average of 29 points per game.

Shields led the Titans again with 12.7 points and 9.3 rebounds per contest. Sophomore Kersey Wilcox, the reigning Southern Region player of the year, began to find her form after an early-season injury with 13.3 points, 3.7 assists and 2.3 steals per game.

"It was frustrating being injured, but I dealt with a muscle injury last year so I knew what I needed to do to get back on the court," Wilcox said. "Now I feel great and my injury is all healed, so it's nice to be able to help the team be successful."

Shields was named most valuable player while Wilcox was added to the all-tournament team.

"I realized that I needed to be a big force on the court for us to succeed so I just started doing whatever I could to help the team," Shields said. "I want this season to be better than last season, and I'll do anything I can to make that happen."

Lane returned to action when the team hosted the NWAACC Crossover Tournament Dec. 16 to Dec. 18.

Head coach Greg Sheley said the team dominated the

tournament, beating their three opponents by an average 46.7 points per game.

Shields was once again the Titans leader, averaging 12.3 and 5.7 rebounds per game to take most valuable player honors. Shields also set the school career blocks record with 101 by adding four in the championship game.

Titans freshman Nicole Hannifan also took home all-tournament honors by averaging 10.7 points per game, including 15 in the championship game.

After taking 12 days off to spend the holidays with their families, the women returned to action at the Chemeketa Community College Tournament near Salem Dec. 28 to Dec. 30.

Once there, the Titans proved that the long layover would not harm their performance as they beat their three opponents by an average of 31 points per game.

Wilcox played the best three games of her Titans career, nearly averaging a double-double for the tournament. Not only did she take home most valuable player honors for the tournament, she was named NWAACC player of the week by averaging 18 points, 9.3 assists, 4.7 steals and 4.7 rebounds per game.

Shields was named to the all-tournament team by averaging 14.3 points and 4.7 rebounds per game.

"Megan has been awesome for us this year and has made a huge leap from her freshman to sophomore year," Sheley said. "She's dominating on both ends of the court and it has to do with the work she has put in but also just having a better understanding of the game."

While Lane's defense has done a good job of holding teams to under 55 points per game, it's been their depth that's been their strongest attribute, being able to put players into the game who can contribute on offense and defense.

"If someone is having an off-game, or if they just need a sub, someone else can come into the game and take on their role just as well," Wilcox said.

The women finished preseason play with an undefeated 14-0 record.

## Both teams played their first Southern Region games Jan. 5 and handed defeats to Mt. Hood Community College

### MEN'S WRAP-UP

The men began their season with a third-place finish at the Pierce Community College tournament in Lakewood, Wash., Nov. 23 to Nov. 25.

After defeating Shoreline Community College in the first round, the Titans lost to Bellevue College in the second round before dominating Whatcom Community College in the third-place game.

Sophomore Tyler Coleman was named to the all-tournament team by averaging 23.3 points and 3.3 steals per game. Coleman put up a season-high 30 points in the victory over Shoreline.

After sophomore Jeff Fields hit a game-winning jumper to defeat Blue Mountain Community College 65-64, the Titans returned to Eugene to host the Dale J. Bates Tournament Dec. 7 to Dec. 9.

Coleman was once again named to the all-tournament team as he led the Titans to a second-place finish after losing to the Community Colleges of Spokane in the championship game.

Coleman led Lane with an average of 18.7 points per game, while his younger brother, Alex, contributed 7.3 points, 6 rebounds and 2.7 steals per game in the tournament.

After a Dec. 11 victory over Gray's Harbor College, the Titans traveled to Auburn, Wash., to compete in the NWAACC Crossover Tournament.

Lane took home the tournament championship while Tyler Coleman was named as tournament MVP and sophomore Alex MacNeil was named to the all-tournament team.

Coleman averaged 13.3 points and 5 assists per game while MacNeil posted an average of 10.7 points per game.

In the second round of the tournament, the Titans took down Yakima Valley Community College, which previously held the No. 1 position in the NWAACC rankings.

Sophomore transfer Byron Johnson has been added to the Titans' rotation. Johnson was ineligible for the preseason because his transcripts were not transferred from his previous school in Memphis, Tenn.

Johnson posted 25 points in slightly more than 27 minutes of play the past two games and has also been a force on the defensive end with his jumping ability.

"We were a legit threat to the NWAACC championship before Byron, so now that we have him, it's just gravy on the potatoes," head coach Bruce Chavka said.

Chavka said the Titans have really bought into what the coaching staff is teaching them and have embraced the early-morning practices before classes start.

"We have a good group of student athletes and they are eating what we are feeding them which is to completely buy into the program," Chavka said. "'Kaizen' is a mantra that we have adopted—it means constant self-improvement."

Although the Titans have exceeded their preseason expectations, their season goals will not change.

"We want to get better every day as individuals, as a team, as students and as humans," Chavka said. "I challenge our team to get better every day in practice so there's no reason that will change, regardless of our previous success."

Lane sophomore forward Byron Johnson dunks the ball in a Jan. 5 game against the Mt. Hood Community College Saints. The Titans won 95-56.

EUGENE JOHNSON / THE TORCH

# PUBLIC SAFETY WINTER BREAK

## MAIN CAMPUS

**Dec. 6 at 10:15 p.m.:** Public Safety found an anarchy symbol etched into a concrete pillar on the north side of Building 12.

**Dec. 6 at 1:07 p.m.:** Public Safety escorted a woman to the Health Clinic after she twisted her knee while descending the stairs from the Titan Store.

**Dec. 6 at 1:58 p.m.:** Public Safety received a report of a suspicious man sitting in the Building 5 men's locker room, surrounded by his belongings and watching movies alone.

**Dec. 7 at 3:15 a.m.:** Public Safety received a report of graffiti on the north side of Building 19.

**Dec. 7 at 3:45 p.m.:** Public Safety found two empty beer bottles in a cardboard six-pack container along the west side of Building 13.

**Dec. 8 at 2:29 p.m.:** Public Safety found graffiti on the north wall of Building 12 and the west wall of Building 11.

**Dec. 9 at 4:11 a.m.:** Public Safety responded to a false fire alarm in Building 19.

**Dec. 15 at 5:39 a.m.:** Public Safety found a Chevrolet Silverado that slid off of 30th Avenue and into a ditch due to the icy roads. The unharmed motorist said help was on the way.

**Dec. 15 at 7:08 a.m.:** Public Safety, Lane County Sheriff's Office and Goshen Rural Fire Protection District responded

to a two-vehicle collision. The motorists were unharmed.

**Dec. 16 at 5:13 p.m.:** Public Safety investigated a false fire alarm to which Goshen Rural Fire Protection District responded.

**Dec. 23 at 12:15 p.m.:** Public Safety advised a woman regarding Lane's dog policy after she released two of her dogs in Lot L.

**Dec. 25 at 2:30 p.m.:** Public Safety reported a suspicious vehicle parked in Lot L.

**Dec. 27 at 6:07 p.m.:** Public Safety responded to a false boiler alarm in Building 7.

**Dec. 28 at 12:31 a.m.:** Public Safety responded to a false fire alarm on the second floor of Building 1.

**Jan. 2 at 1:57 p.m.:** Public Safety investigated a false fire alarm at the Titan Store to which Goshen Rural Fire Protection District responded.

**Jan. 2 at 3:47 p.m.:** Public Safety confronted a suspicious person who was carrying a sharp object in the Titan Store. The suspect was issued a citation.

## DOWNTOWN

**Dec. 5 to Jan. 5:** Public Safety discovered repeated acts of vandalism along the north wall of the Downtown Center.

**Dec. 5 at 12:04 p.m.:** Public Safety observed three individuals allegedly exchanging money for a controlled substance in an alley-

way near the Downtown Center. All three suspects ran away.

**Dec. 11 at 3:42 p.m.:** Public Safety advised a man not to loiter on campus property after he was reportedly lingering at the Downtown Center and then Titan Court.

**Dec. 12 at 5:42 p.m.:** Public Safety responded to a report that a woman's abusive ex-boyfriend was loitering in the alley behind the Downtown Center. When Public Safety arrived, the man left without incident, and Public Safety escorted the woman to her vehicle.

**Dec. 12 at 11:36 p.m.:** Public Safety received a report from a Titan Court resident's mother that her son had not been in contact with her since Dec. 10, due to possible depression. The officer contacted the resident, who did not appear to be under duress.

**Dec. 13 at 7:12 a.m.:** Public Safety responded to a false fire alarm in Titan Court, reportedly caused by the "dust accumulated from ongoing construction."

**Dec. 15 at 12:18 a.m.:** Public Safety received a report that there was a male behind the Downtown Center, threatening people with a syringe he was brandishing "like a knife." Eugene Police assisted Public Safety but officers were unable to locate a suspect.

**Dec. 16 at 8:52 p.m.:** Public Safety found graffiti outside of Titan Court near Charnelton Street.

**Dec. 18 from 7:23 p.m. to 11:35 p.m.:** Public Safety

reported two malfunctions at Titan Court: the doors to the academic wing, which are secured electronically, were unlocked, and the exterior lights for the residential wing failed to come on.

**Dec. 20 at 2:55 a.m.:** An apparently intoxicated man claiming to be a student demanded access to the Downtown Center, pounding on the glass while threatening a Public Safety officer. The suspect was "last seen staggering" towards the Lane Transit District station in downtown Eugene.

**Dec. 22 at 8 p.m.:** A man was found unconscious or sleeping in front of the double doors at the old downtown campus.

**Dec. 24 at 9:15 p.m.:** A man was digging through trash receptacles outside of the Downtown Center.

**Dec. 24 at 11:20 p.m.:** A person was found camping in the entryway of the Downtown Center. The issue was resolved without incident.

**Dec. 31 at 1:27 p.m.:** Public Safety reported a two-vehicle collision at the intersection of 10th and Willamette streets. The officer offered assistance to the motorists, neither of whom was injured.

**Dec. 31 at 10:14 p.m.:** Public Safety responded to a false fire alarm on the fifth floor of Titan Court.

**Dec. 31 at 11:41 p.m.:** An intoxicated woman vomited along Charnelton Street near Titan Court.

# #BRIEFLY

## #boardofed

The Lane Board of Education will meet Jan. 9 at 7:15 p.m. in the Building 3 board room. Items on the agenda include:

- a presentation regarding the Small Business Development Center;
- a possible expansion of the energy management degree program; and
- the Lane Foundation's major gifts campaign.

## #award

The Eugene Chamber of Commerce will honor Lane President Dr. Mary Spilde by naming her the 2012 Eugene First Citizen at its annual Celebrate Business event this month.

The award comes on the heels of Spilde's recognition as the American Association of Women in Community Colleges' 2012 Woman of the Year.

Eugene Chamber of Commerce President Dave Hauser said Spilde was selected for the award because of the "tremendously positive impact she has

had on our community, region and state."

Spilde will be the 74th member of the Eugene community to receive the award, which dates back to 1938.

In 2012, Lane constructed its new Downtown Campus and Titan Court, an estimated \$54.3 million project.

The Celebrate Business event will take place Jan. 30 at the Eugene Hilton Conference Center.

## #award

Science faculty member Margaret Robertson has been named a Sustainability Fellow in the Higher Education Associations Sustainability Consortium, which is part of the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education.

## #ask

ASLCC will meet Jan. 9 at 4 p.m. in Building 10, Room 108.

## #bikelane

Bikelane is a free bicycle loan

program for students at Lane. Participants can borrow a bicycle for one term. The program is designed to save students money and fuel while reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

## #transferdays

In an effort to assist Oregon community college students to successfully transition to a four-year college or university, Oregon's community colleges and universities collaborate each year on a statewide tour to all 17 Oregon community colleges. Community college students across the state are encouraged to participate.

Students will have the opportunity to meet with college and university representatives, and will learn more about each campus's offerings and admissions requirements, choosing courses wisely, navigating college costs and financial aid, and tools to make their transitions as seamless as possible.

The Oregon Transfer Days tour is scheduled to begin Jan.

14 and will conclude on Feb. 21, with most events scheduled between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on community college campuses. The tour is administered by a task force of Oregon Associa-

tion of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers.

For the latest news, like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter @lctorch



**Exceptional**  
HEALTH CARE

*The Care You Deserve*

- Affordable Membership-Based Primary Care
- High Quality / Cost-Effective
- 30-Minute Doctor Visits
- Steven J. Butdorf, MD
- 28 Years Locally in Eugene / Springfield

1755 Coburg Rd.  
www.ExceptionalMD.com



**JOIN TODAY! CALL 541.746.7073**

Alexis Taisey, an Early Childhood Education student, plays with 3-year-olds Linken, left, and Haidyn, right, on her first day of class.

BRETT STANLEY / THE TORCH

# Lane child care earns national accreditation

BY IVAN LAFOLLETTE  
*Reporter*

Sitting on the corner of the Lane campus, bordered by forests and parking lots, away from the college's main traffic, the Lane Child and Family Center is easy to overlook.

Parents who pass it by miss an opportunity to leave their children in the care of a nationally accredited program in the top tier of early child care centers.

It's why Georgia Soto, the center's child care coordinator, called it "a hidden gem of Lane Community College."

The center received the accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children, a nonprofit organization focused on early child care and development. The center is the only early child care facility in Lane County to earn the accreditation, and one of only a few in Oregon.

"The national standard is much higher than the state standards. Most programs don't hold to that level," Soto said.

The accreditation involved a rigorous two-year review process, where more than 10 systematic and 400 childhood program metrics were examined, from the size of chairs in the classroom to the reading and writing materials available to the students. Surveys were sent to parents and staff members and the center administration assessed every aspect of its facility and curriculum.

"It took us a year just to do the preliminary self-study," Soto said. "When we did the accreditation, we realized what areas we were strong in, but also which ones we needed to improve."

Under internal recommendations resulting from

many staff meetings, the center made changes inside the facility, including mounting fabric on the walls to make the center feel more "home-like," adding child-sized couches and chairs and using more daylight instead of fluorescent lighting to brighten rooms.

One of the center's goals with these changes is to allow more creative play for the children, fostering individual and social development.

"Even the toys are more natural, less plastic," Soto said.

Outside of the classrooms, in several grass- and wood chip-covered play areas, boulders and logs have replaced the usual monkey bars and plastic slides often seen in playgrounds. This encourages the children to play within a more organic setting, providing them with a safe environment to explore the natural world.

"The kids have an actual garden. We got to see a pumpkin grow from a seed, and see it get bigger and bigger," Soto said. "The kids actually get to touch nature, and get their hands dirty."

The center, which accepts children aged 30 months to 5 years old, occupies buildings 24 through 27. A green facility built within the last decade, it provides teachers with a modern setting to work closely with the children, where there are four students for every teacher at the center.

"This provides benefits for the kids. That's why we're here," Soto said.

Soto said the accreditation lets families know the center's practices are in line with the best in early childhood development, especially when it comes to progress assessment, nutrition and health, physical security, positive relationship-building and self-esteem-boosting.

"Our three principles are: be safe, be responsible,

and be respectful. That encompasses everything," Soto said. "We teach them respect for the environment, respect for each other" and respect for diversity within the community.

Assistance is also available for special needs children.

Because Lane is a community college, Soto said one of the center's challenges was raising awareness of its existence within the community.

"We work with such a transient population of students. Most of our parents — about 80 percent — are students," Soto said. "But within two years, they're all gone."

Due to federal grant funds through the Child Care Access Means Parents in School Program, the center offers financial resources to parents in need of assistance. There are also work opportunities to help families further defray costs.

"(Lane's Cooperative Education program) is an opportunity for parents to work under the supervision of the staff up to six hours a week, which takes \$60 a week off their childcare," Soto said.

This helps to bridge the center's offerings with the needs of the community's families — the students, teachers and children — and reflect the ultimate philosophy of the center.

Soto, who has been in the childcare field for 30 years, believes that the facility's core resource is its experienced staff.

"We have a very nurturing and high-quality staff," she said. "Compounded with the wonderful program we have, it just makes it awesome for the kids."

"If you choose this profession, you're likely choosing it from the heart."

For more information, visit [www2.lanecol.edu/cfe/lcfc](http://www2.lanecol.edu/cfe/lcfc).



EUGENE JOHNSON / THE TORCH

Lane drafting instructor Jon Bridges examines the work of Monique Janssen-Belitz's *Unfolding Dreams* in the Building 11 art gallery. The paintings will be on display through Feb. 7.

# Reknowned artists share gallery

## Lane brings nationally recognized work to Building 11

BY KYLE WEBB  
Features Editor



EUGENE JOHNSON / THE TORCH

Left: Detail of *Flight* by Monique Janssen-Belitz. Right: Lane culinary student Shelley Pappel admires *Rage*, one of the many pieces on display from Zina Mussmann's *Under the Sun*.

Lane's art gallery starts off winter term with two exhibits running through Feb. 7.

Monique Janssen-Belitz's exhibit, *Unfolding Dreams*, is on display in the Building 11 art gallery while Zina Mussmann's exhibit, *Under the Sun*, is on display just outside the art gallery doors.

Janssen-Belitz resides in Crete, Neb., where she works as an assistant professor at Doane College teaching studio art and art history.

"As a landscape artist, the various places I resided — Maryland, Oregon, New Mexico and now Nebraska — influenced the presentation of the land," according to her website.

Janssen-Belitz will give a lecture Jan. 17 at 3 p.m. in the Building 11 gallery, with a reception immediately following. The lecture and reception are free and open to the public.

Midwestern artist Zina Mussmann was born in Milwaukee and received a Bachelor of Fine Arts in painting and drawing from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Peck School of the Arts in 2002. Her work has been exhibited nationally, in Milwaukee; Baltimore; Cincinnati, Ohio; Sacramento, Calif.; and Chicago.

"My process involves the collection and appropriation of images and words from various ephemera, such as photographs, documents and film. I am interested in decontextualizing this information and recontextualizing it into mixed media works," according to Mussmann's website.

Mussmann's work was recently featured in the Manifest International Painting Annual 1 in late 2011. Currently, she is the co-director of the Greymatter Gallery in Milwaukee, Wis., an artist-run gallery and studio that she established in 2011 with artist Rachel Quirk.

The Building 11 art gallery is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday. Admission is free. For more information, call Lane's Art and Applied Design Department at (541) 463-5409.