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Investing in the future

Referendums to watch for state and city ballot measures looking to fund services for education, healthcare and senior services

Ashleigh Martins Copy Editor

The general election is less than three weeks away, so *The Torch* has rounded up a couple of measures that could have a significant impact on education and other services in Oregon, specifically around Lane County.

Measure 98

This measure proposes separate funding aimed at new programs designed for high school dropout prevention and college readiness, by distributing roughly \$800 per student. Measure 98 would get its funds from new revenue, but would not increase taxes. A "no" vote would keep the current law in place; no funds would be required to fund programs like college readiness, career/technical-level education, etc. In 2013, Oregon ranked the second lowest in public school graduation in the nation, at only 68.7 percent on average.

Measure 98 has big support across the State including Gov. Kate Brown, former Gov. Ted Kulongoski and several parties and organizations, namely *Vote Yes for 98* which raised \$7.38 million. The Oregon Secretary of State did not have

any filings against Measure 98, though *The Portland City Club* advised its committee members to vote "no," according to ballotpedia.org.

Measures 20-253 and 20-261

Measure 20-253 would impose a 3 percent tax on recreational marijuana sales in Eugene, which would fund general government services. The tax would be collected by retailers at the time of sales and paid directly to the city. Measure 20-261 would impose a three percent tax on recreational marijuana sales in unincorporated areas of Lane County, which must also be voted on by incorporated areas such as Eugene, according to KVAL News. Eight other cities in Lane County have similar measures.

Measure 97

If approved, Measure 97 would impose a 2.5 percent tax increase on C corporations with sales of more than \$25 million, with funds supposedly being allocated to education, healthcare and senior services. A "no" vote leaves Oregon with its current cap of \$100,000 on corporations and no revenue dedicated to specific services. Measure 97 is setting records by raising the most money in the state's history for a single measure — \$35 million. The Torch reported on this measure previously, in the Oct. 5 edition.

Student Senate seeks a treasurer, or budget committee

Student Senate still seeks to get this year's budget managed by someone with the know-how

TREY KODMAN REPORTER

Lane student senators are keeping themselves busy finding the next treasurer. Several ideas were proposed in light of this situation. Other motions proposed in Thursday's meeting were also easily approved, or discussed for later approval. Highlights:

- A motion proposed by Student Senator Cairo Smith to hire a treasurer was passed 5-0-3.
- A gallery statement by student Rick Williams, with the leadership of the Gender and Sexuality Alliance, proposed the hiring of a Gender and Sexuality Diversity Advocate.

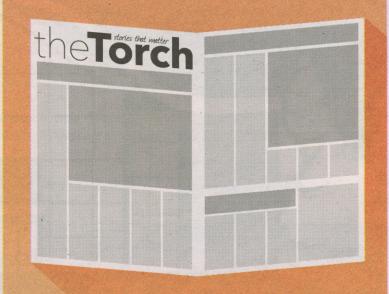
Williams said, "When we don't have a GSDA the seat is empty, and should be filled by someone who is an active member of the GSA."

The motion to hire a GSDA was voted on and passed 7-0-1. Student Senator Evelyn Sanders said just before the vote took place, "I believe it is in the greatest of interest of students for us that we get someone in there."

- Senator Shawn Goddard announced the Men in Transition study session will now be meeting Wednesdays between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the Center Building, Room 202. "We're having a lot of students that are turning up to help peer-tutor each other, and to help many with the institutions of financial aid, veteran services and things of that nature," Goddard said.
- Senator Wilgen Brown announced the Gender Sexuality Alliance will be meeting Fridays between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. in Building 30, Room 124.
- A motion proposed by Senator Shawn Goddard, meant to address the budget as soon as possible, advocated for a formation of a treasury committee to manage the budget until a treasurer can be hired. The motion passed 6-1-1.

The next ASLCC meeting is Thursday, Oct. 26 at 4 p.m. in Building 3, room 216.

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Universities or students take risk

If Measure 95 passes Oregon public universities will gain more control over investments

> ELIZABETH COMISKEY REPORTER

When Oregon votes on November 8th, public universities in Oregon will be directly affected. Currently, Oregon universities are are restricted from selling, buying or trading stocks. Universities have asked the Oregon Legislature for the allowance to invest money in the stock market.

The State of Oregon's constitution restricts all government agencies from investing equities into the stock market. Currently, the universities are investing in short-term fixed income securities and only receiving small amounts of return on the interest. In order to get Measure 95 on the ballot, the first step was to get the Oregon Legislature to pass the House Joint Resolution 203.

The Oregon House of Representatives, the lower house of the Oregon Legislature, voted in favor of the resolution with a 57/60 vote. The final decision for passing Resolution 203 would now be determined by vote in the Oregon Senate. House Joint Resolution 203 was approved by the Oregon Senate with a 75 percent vote. House Joint Resolution 203 was paving the way for Measure 95 to be placed on the ballot for voters. With the passing of Resolution 203, Oregon was

given the authority to make a constitutional amendment.

Measure 95, if passed, would allow Public universities to invest in the stock market. Public universities would be able to combine all money: tuition, fees, state appropriations, investment earnings and gifts to invest into the stock market. The University of Oregon would have a range of \$325 million dollars to \$475 million dollars available to invest in stocks.

Diane Dietz, of *The Register Guard*, reported the University of Oregon hired a banker, Karen Levear, to consolidate monies. She put the university's equities into an account called "Cash and Investment Pool." If Measure 95 passes, public universities hope for increased income, by following Harvard and Yale's model of university stock investment.

Many politicians and residents of Oregon question what would happen if the stocks decrease, or the market crashes. Republican State Senator, Brian Boquist said, "If one of them [Oregon public universities] turns around and makes a bad decision, they can just go broke."

More concerns with the proposition of Measure 95 passing have surfaced. Members of the state's governments and communities began to question the measure. Who would choose investments and decide if they are risky? The University of Oregon has already decided who will make these decisions. The non-profit University of Oregon Foundation, a long-term generator of income for the university, has invested in stocks consistently for years. If the measure passes, the University of Oregon plans to hire the

foundation to manage the Cash Investment Pool account.

Measure 95 does not have organized opposers, only individuals stating their view. According to the The Bend Bulletin, State Senator Mark Hass argues in favor of Measure 95, "All this was a way of helping them [Oregon public universities] to become a little more free and hopefully putting the brakes on tuition."

ASLCC President, Robert Kirkpatrick said, "A pro of the measure passing would be the chance to cut costs and tuition when the market raises."

Although Measure 95 is tailored to financially help public universities, Lane could be impacted in two ways. First, enrollment may increase due to students needing developmental classes before transferring to a public university for higher education. The second impact Measure 95 may have on Lane is the opposite. Enrollment could decrease, with tuition lower, and more funding for students offered by public universities in Oregon.

Even though senators are indifferent on Measure 95, Oregonians have the final decision.

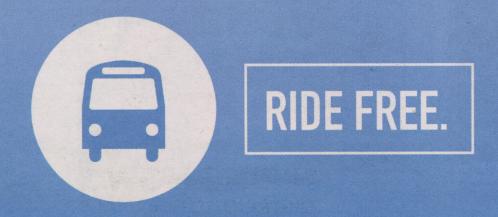
"In politics there is a lot of personal opinion that affects one's actions," Kirkpatrick said.

University of Oregon office declined to comment on Measure 95.

In order for votes to be counted in the Nov. 8 election, ballots must be dropped off at voting site boxes by 8 p.m. Voting sites will be open throughout Eugene 7 a.m. - 7 p.m.

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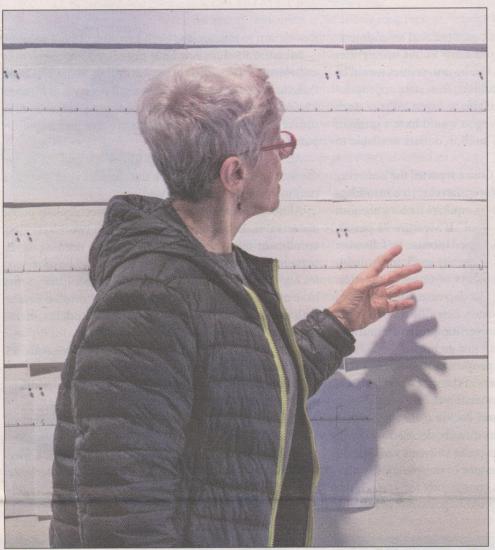


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White noise underlines white privilege



Eric Howanietz / the Torch

Kathleen Caprario points to a moment of silence representing the death of an unarmed African American.

LCC faculty artists JS Bird and Kathleen Caprario are featuring exhibits at the main campus Building 11 gallery

ERIC HOWANIETZ REPORTER

Kathleen Caprario exhibited her projects White Noise/Peacekeeper and bioDIVER-SITY. The White Noise/Peacekeeper project is a collaborative work with former Oregon State University student and artist Marissa Solini. The four minute video project begins with a narrated statement which includes the voice talent of former Lane Community College theater students John Watson and Reese Madden. During the narration Marissa Solini's Peacekeeper sculpture, a mass of plaster castings from a toy gun, also named The Peacekeeper, hovers on screen.

The short statement addresses issues of police brutality, white privilege, media silence and racism. The video continues for minutes with only black and white television static and the exhibit's namesake "white noise" for audio.

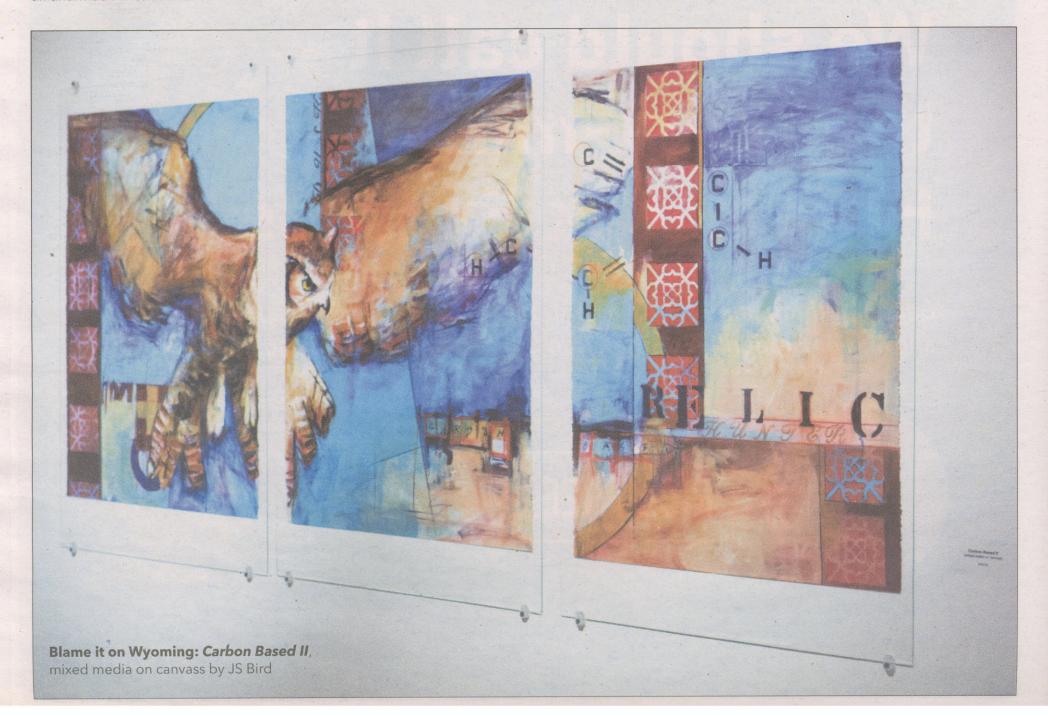
"White noise is supposed to represent the deafening silence in the mainstream white community about the shooting of unarmed black men," Caprario said."The dual meaning is also a memorial silence for those lives lost."

The exhibit includes a list of African Americans killed, accompanied by a large print-out of the silent audio track pinned to the wall showing moments of silence for the fallen. Caprario said she felt compelled to start the project after being shocked by her white friends' lack of social media response to the killings. She says as a white artist she did question her right to produce White Noise but she vetted the project with African American friends in New Jersey.

"I have the privilege to talk about this. I'm not saying I know best, I'm not saying I can fix things; I'm presenting Information," Caprario said.

Kathleen Caprario's exhibit bioDIVER-SITY is a pattern-based, environmentally derived series of collages. The two exhibits are intended to underline issues of environmental and social justice.

JS Bird, a full-time faculty member of the Department of Art and Applied Design for over 12 years, presents the exhibit "Blame it on Wyoming." Bird's art includes a number of mixed media paintings on canvas and paper. The exhibit is accompanied by the artist statement "The First Elegy" by Rainer Maira Rilke.



Car flips at Lane



Contributed photo

While turning onto the campus at gate 11 and Gonyea Road, a single car accident occurred. At approximately 12:04 p.m. on Oct. 17, a Subaru flipped on campus. A Subaru in the right lane swerved and hit the metal gate, which resulted in the vehicle flipping onto its left side. The female driver was assisted through the back hatch of the Subaru to safety. Goshen Fire and Eugene Springfield Medics were on scene, along with a Lane County Sheriff. Lane Public Safety was in attendance as well. No injuries were reported, and no other vehicles were involved in the accident.

Elizabeth Comiskey / the Torch

Service attack affects Moodle

KIRA JONES
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

An internet service disruption, impacting hundreds of thousands of people, mostly along the East Coast, caused a short disruption at Lane Community College last week.

At 11:10 a.m. on Oct. 21, Dyn Incorporated began investigating an attack to their domain name services (DNS) system. This attack widely affected users on the East Coast but also caused problems for Lane Community College's Moodle.

A DNS server is what connects a user to the website they are looking for. When users type a website into the search bar, a DNS server is what ensures that users are taken to the right website.

According to the Dyn Inc. website, this was a distributed denial of service (DDoS) attack. A DDoS attack is when a person attempts to overwhelm an online service by generating traffic from a multitude of different sources.

The same day this attack occurred, Lane's IT help desk sent out a mass e-mail warning staff and students of this widespread problem. IT stated in the email, "We are aware of this issue and it is being widely reported in the news."

The Dyn Inc. website posted on their website at 10:17 p.m. on Oct. 21 that the incident had been resolved.





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Preserve college journalism

The training ground for truth-tellers

1,300 people gathered at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in Washington D.C. this weekend, for the Associated Collegiate Press National College Media Convention. These 1,300 people were all there to improve their skills in journalism. They were there because they all know the importance of their job. Even in college, the media plays an incredibly important role.



KIRA JONES EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

It's no secret that there is an increasing lack of respect among the general public for true journalism. People are putting more focus into things with entertainment value as opposed to news value. What people don't realize, however, is that if journalists weren't around to investigate and report on what matters and inform the public of what they deserve to know, events like Watergate would go completely unnoticed. Effectively letting anyone in a position of power get away with whatever they want.

On June 18, 1972 The Washington Post published an article reporting on a burglary that took place in the Democratic National Committee's offices. Reporters Carl Bernstein and Bob Woodward took on investigating the story. On Oct. 10, 1972 the front page of The Washington Post read "FBI finds Nixon aides sabotaged Democrats." The Watergate scandal was revealed. According to

The Washington Post's archives, throughout their November investigation, the White House claimed the Post's reporting was "biased and misleading."

Bob Woodward spoke at the ACP convention, addressing all the college journalists in attendance.

"History is never over. The truth emerges," Woodward said.

During this convention we also got the pleasure of having Edward Snowden as a keynote speaker from Moscow via Skype. Snowden is a former technology and cybersecurity expert for the Central Intelligence Agency, National Security Agency and Defense Intelligence Agency. In 2013, he discovered that the NSA had surveillance on billions of innocent people and relayed that information to the media. Snowden spoke about the importance of journalism and about the reporters that he used in order to relay his information. Snowden called journalists the "democracy safeguard last resort," saying that they keep the three branches of government in check.

As time moves forward less and less funding goes towards student journalism. College newspapers are where a good majority of important journalists get their start. It is where they learn all of the skills they need to go forward and be the watchdogs of society. If our nation continues to move away from journalists because they don't like what they are discovering there will soon be no place left in society for truth. Truth will die if journalism does. If we make college newspapers great again, America will come with it.



'Ouija: Origin of Evil' summons a decent film

"Ouija: Origin of Evil" is a prequel to the 2014 film, Ouija. The narrative follows a single mother, Alice (Elizabeth Reaser) who works as a fortune teller in her suburban home with her two daughters, Lina (Annalise Basso) and Doris (Lulu Wilson). They stage séances to pay for bills after Alice's husband died in a car crash. Alice and Lina are



HUNTER RULAND MULTIMEDIA EDITOR

aware that their acts are simply meant to be therapeutic for their customers, but Doris believes that what they do is real.

When faced with possibly losing their house, Alice buys a Ouija board to spice up her act. Doris then uses the board, in hopes of contacting her dead father, but ends up talking with something much more sinister. When it comes to light that Doris seems to be a genuine psychic, her behavior begins to change and spooky activity seems to be

following her. Lina and family friend, Father Tom (Henry Thomas) suspect that there may be something wrong with

Ouija: Origin of Evil is one of the year's biggest surprises. The first film was a critical flop (7% on Rotten Tomatoes) and was co-produced by the infamous Michael Bay. So, when it was announced that Ouija was getting a prequel, the response from moviegoers was a collective groan. However, despite the low expectations set by the previous



film, the prequel ended up being a passable supernatural-

Mike Flanagan has proven himself, once again, to be a director for horror fans to keep on their radar. His previous work, Oculus and Hush are modern masterpieces in their collective genres. He took extra steps for the film to feel like the sixties, besides the costumes and props. The film opens with the 60's-70's Universal Pictures logo. The film's title card has the year of release in roman numerals, like a classic Hollywood feature and even includes cue marks (a black dot that appeared on 35mm film reels that would let the projectionist know when to change reels).

Aside from creating a visually interesting film, Flanagan and co-writer Jeff Howard were capable of taking a premise that previously failed and ended up with something that worked. They understand that in horror films the scares

only work when you have characters that audiences can care about. The script has enough substance in the characters to allow the actors to have something to build from. Elizabeth Reaser and Annalise Basso (who worked with Flanagan on Oculus) handle their damaged mother/teenage daughter relationship very well. Their drifting apart didn't feel forced. Newcomer Lulu Wilson also shines in her role.

When it comes to creepy children in horror movies, it could easily turn into unintentional hilarity. However, Flanagan worked with Lulu in a way that made scenes of her creepy actions feel unsettling, like Linda Blair's performance in The Exorcist. There's a level of reservation that many writers and directors fail to take into consideration. While the film does contain jump-scares, they are done in a tasteful way. Instead of something popping into frame followed by an ear-shattering sound effect, Flanagan allows the creepy image be creepy on its own; unlike the first film. Not every scare worked in this regard, but the effort is worth taking note of. This tactic may be frustrating for your average audience member who thinks Five Nights at Freddy's is scary.

Overall, Ouija: Origin of Evil is a pleasant surprise for genre fans. Mike Flanagan made a movie based on a board game authentically creepy. Also, let the records show that producer Michael Bay accidently let a good movie get made under his nose.



OPINION

Do NOT elect Joe Potwora

Candidate's big banking background should give voters pause

If you are registered to vote in Oregon you should have received a voter's pamphlet and an election ballot by now. Before you jump into it let's break down the race for the Oregon House Representative for District 11 between Phil Barnhart and Joe Potwora.

The Oregon State House of Representatives has the power to create state laws that ultimately impact Oregonians more so than federal laws. At a time when Oregon schools are in desperate need of funding, it is critical that Phil Barnhart wins this race.

Joe Potwora has strong connections to large financial institutions, while Phil Barnhart is a career politician that likely feels safe in his position and has less accountability to his voters. Potwora's policies mostly consist of cutting taxes, which is where Barnhart

Joe Potwora is currently a branch manager at Guild Mortgage Company. Before that he was the senior vice president at Willamette Valley Bank, branch manager at Washington Mutual and vice president of a local Bank of America branch.

Potwora's occupational background is a huge red flag. Potwora is guaranteed to have connections with many high-ranking members of prominent financial institutions. It's extremely naive to think that when push comes to shove Potwora would side with the Oregon people rather than his wealthy banker friends.

> On Potwora's website one of the first things he states is "Oregon should be encouraging small businesses to grow good-paying jobs by cutting taxes and limiting regulation."

Oregon already ranks dead last in the nation on business taxes, so if his policy works Oregon would already have more than enough high paying jobs, which isn't true considering that Oregon's unemployment rate has been steadily increasing over the past six months according to the U.S. Department of Labor.

The next issue Potwora addresses is education. Potwora recognizes the problem — Oregon's embarrassing high school dropout rate — which ranks third highest in the country according to the U.S. Department of Education. Yet, he doesn't seem to think that there should be any additional funding. Instead he thinks what funding there is should be spent more wisely on things like early childhood education and

While I agree wholeheartedly that those things are important, I understand that the funding is already stretched insanely thin. The real solution is taxing large corporations, like the one at which Potwora works, in order to get Oregon schools the funding they need. Again, it would be very naive to think he would be in favor of taxing the companies to which he has such close ties.

Barnhart is not without his flaws. He has been a State Representative for 15 years which is far too long, in my opinion, because it is good to have fresh faces with ideas rather than career politicians with a solid web of donors. Incumbents like Barnhart have an extremely high chance of winning elections (for the U.S. House of Representatives the re-election rate is 80-90 percent depending on the year) since voters and donors already know them, which can lead to them being less accountable to their voters.

Barnhart also just seems to vote along Democratic Party lines, which could be a sign that he doesn't have very strong personal convictions.

That being said, Barnhart is a strong proponent of Ballot Measure 97, which taxes corporations in order to fund education and healthcare. This is a sign that he is not in the pocket of large financial institutions, like Potwora almost certainly is.

Do your own research as well, but I strongly recommend voting for Phil Barnhart instead of Joe Potwora in the 2016 election if you live in Oregon District 11.



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SPORTS

Titans weather Storm



Tyler Plummer / the Torch

Titans midfielder Valentina Loza steals the ball briefly from fallen Storm midfielder Eve Ponce. (#6) The Titans scored big in a 10-0 shutout victory against the Chemeketa Storms at Lane Community College on Oct. 22.

Women's soccer dominated the field on Saturday vs Chemeketa Storm

ALEX ELWELL
REPORTER

Last week's rainstorm didn't stop the Titans and neither did the Chemeketa Storm on Saturday. The women's soccer team won by ten.

Granted, Chemeketa is 0-14, but the Titans put up ten unanswered points, more than any other Chemeketa opponent. To viewers it looked like practice as Lane casually unleashed a barrage of goals throughout the entirety of the game.

The game began with early Titan ball control. After a few attempted shots, the Titans began their scoring streak.

Eight different players scored goals against Chemeketa. Maile Sur scored the most

goals on the team with three.

After the game Sur said, "Going into our game against Chemeketa we really wanted to focus on using our width and spreading the field out to create space for runs, which I feel we definitely did. All of our wide forwards are really good at taking on their defenders and beating them down the line to get a cross off for our other runners."

The Titans have two games left in regular season before beginning playoffs, Oct. 26 and 29.

The team has been extremely focused on making their playoff hopes as bright as possible. Head Coach Erica Jensen said, "Our team sat down last winter and set goals for this season. The sophomores have worked towards them for the past year and our freshmen have gotten on board quickly. Our goals have not changed for post season - we aim to not only get into the playoffs, but to advance and have a deep rup."

The Lane Titans are currently ranked 11-3-2 in conference standing and will play next at home against the Rogue Ospreys on Oct. 26 at 2pm.

Men's team delivers shutout vs Chemeketa Storm, 2-0



Christopher Palanuk / The Torch

Titan midfielder Omar Jimenez sprints away from Storm midfielder Ammon Tuebner with the ball during the first half of Lane's game against Chemeketa on Oct. 22.



Christopher Palanuk / The Torch

Titan defender Christopher Cardenas powers through the Storm defense as he dribbles down the field. The Lane Titans won 2-0 to shut out the Chemeketa Storm with scores from Ian Boozer at the 15th and 20th minutes. This brings their conference standings to 7-7-0.