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**TO:** Lane Community College Board of Education

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**RE:** Highlights that are featured as part of the Board Report

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### **Florence Center**

President Spilde, along with Board members Sharon Stiles and Pat Albright, attended the Florence Center Science Lab Dedication Ceremony on March 5, 2010. Nearly 75 community residents attended this event. The celebration included touring the new science lab, a SMART classroom demonstration by Training Coordinator Michael Levick, and a PowerPoint demonstration on the Florence Center and its unique partnership with PeaceHealth Siuslaw Region.



### **Business Development Center**

The Strategies of Success Program, which are individualized training and one-on-one advising programs designed to help owners maintain and grow their businesses within their unique communities, has been developed for rural outreach. There are 19 businesses enrolled in the Fern Ridge area and 26 businesses, and 30 business owners, registered for the program developed for the Cottage Grove Chamber.

Lane's is one of nine BDC's statewide participating in 'taking services to rural areas' funded by a grant from the state OSBDCN. The goal is to provide training and one-on-one advising to rural

areas using a SKYPE type technology. Florence is the targeted rural area and Lane's BDC is working in partnership with the Florence Campus to provide these services.

### **Culinary Arts & Hospitality Management**

The Mycological Society Fungal Feast was held at the Center for Meeting and Learning on Thursday, February 11, 2010. Over 200 guests were in attendance. Culinary Arts students worked with Guest Chef Jack Czarnecki of The Joel Palmer House in Dayton, OR. Chef Jack was the 2007 Harvest Dinner Guest Chef.

The annual Winter Classical Cuisine Dinner, "The Darjeeling Express- Celebrating the Cuisine of India," was held on Thursday, March 4. Over 275 guests were in attendance. The Silent Auction raised almost \$1500 for program scholarships.

Student Ambassadors representing the Culinary Arts and Hospitality Management Programs attended five separate middle and high school career fairs this winter term, including Lane Preview Night and the Lane County High School Career Fair held at the Fairgrounds.

### **Counseling & Advising**

Counselor Beth Landy received the Nancy Hargis Award for Leadership in Career Development during the Oregon Career Development Association (OCDA) annual conference on March 12. In addition to Beth's work with students at Lane, she served on the Oregon Career Information System Board from 2002 to 2008 and was the chair for the last two years.