

DATE: March 11, 2015

TO: Lane Community College Board of Education

FROM: Dawn DeWolf

Vice President, Academic & Student Affairs

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

ACADEMIC & STUDENT AFFAIRS:

Contact: Maurice Hamington, Executive Dean, School, <u>faithh@lanecc.edu@lanecc.edu</u>, 541/463-5266.

Maurice Hamington, Executive Dean for the School of Arts and Sciences recently had his article, "Care Ethics and Confronting Intersectional Difference through the Body," published in the peer-reviewed journal *Critical Philosophy of Race*.

CONFERENCE & CULINARY SERVICES:

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On February 19, 2015, Randi Bjornstad wrote an article entitled "Food for Art: Comestibles are the common thread at the David Joyce Gallery." The gallery is in the Center for Meeting and Learning and is under the direction of Susan Detroy. You can see the entire article at: http://registerguard.com/rg/entertainment/arts/32770599-60/food-for-art.html.csp

FINANCIAL AID:

Contact: Helen Faith, Dean, Financial Aid, faithh@lanecc.edu@lanecc.edu, 541/463-5266.

Helen Faith was nominated by the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (NASFAA) to represent 2-year public institutions in federal Negotiated Rulemaking to craft proposed new regulations expanding the "Pay As You Earn" student loan repayment plan and ensuring access to reduced interest rates on certain types of federal student loans for eligible U.S. military service members. She was selected to serve in this capacity by the U.S. Department of Education, and will travel to Washington, D.C. in February, March, and April for this purpose. More information is available at https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2014/12/19/2014-29734/negotiated-rulemaking-committee-negotiator-nominations-and-schedule-of-committee-meetings-william-d

HONORS PROGRAM:

Contact: Ce Rosenow, Faculty Coordinator, Honors Program, <u>rosenowc@lanecc.edu</u>, 541/463-5142.

Zachary Cunningham completed the Lane Honors Program last June and transferred to the University of Oregon. Zach was just accepted into the McNair Scholars Program, an extremely competitive and prestigious program designed to support first-generation, low-income juniors and seniors pursuing a PhD: http://mcnair.uoregon.edu/



On January 28, the students in the Honors Invitation to Inquiry Seminar visited the University of Oregon's Special Collections Library for a session with Manuscripts Librarian, Linda Long. The students viewed archival materials from the Gertrude Bass Warner Collection (Warner was the first director of the university's art museum and donated a large collection of East Asian materials to the museum and library). They also learned how to use a special collections library and were encouraged to use the University of Oregon's archives in their own research. This visit will become a standing part of the Inquiry Seminar.



INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS:

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Lane Community College has been chosen to host Malaysian students through the MARA program. The MARA program provides full government scholarships to Malaysian students within the top 10% of their class. In spring term 2015, the first 8 students will begin their study at Lane.

SOCIAL SCIENCE:

Contact: Jennifer Frei, Dean, Social Science, freij@lanecc.edu@lanecc.edu, 541/463-5430.

Timothy Ingalsbee, in collaboration with Urooj Raja, have written and submitted a chapter, which has been accepted and is now in press (anticipated publication in Summer 2015). The chapter is titled *The Rising Costs of Wildfire Suppression and the Case for Ecological Fire Use* and will be published in Dominick A. DellaSala and Chad T. Hanson (editors) Mixed and High Severity Fires: Ecosystem Benefits and Biodiversity, Elsevier Publishers.

Stan Taylor, Political Science faculty member, was featured for his teaching focus on global awareness in *The Torch* "News and Features" section on January 16, 2015.

Lynn Songer was approved to complete a faculty internship with Oregon Emergency Management in June, 2015. This faculty internship will enhance Lynn's understanding of current uses and application of GIS technology by the state for emergency management.

Will Sarvis, part-time History faculty member, was featured as the Guest Viewpoint in the *Register Guard* on December 15, 2014.

Steve Candee (Political Science instructor) and John del Nero (Criminal Justice instructor) were featured speakers at the Springfield Chamber of Commerce's annual "Springfield Leadership Workshop" on Wednesday, January 7, 2015, at the Springfield City Hall. They addressed future Springfield community leaders on how to work with those who have different perspectives toward achieving common community goals.

STUDENT SUCCESS:

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Kerry Levett, Executive Dean for Student Affairs, and Mary Parthemer, Dean for TRiO and Student Success Manager, presented at DREAM 2015, the Annual Achieving the Dream conference held February 16-20, 2015, in Baltimore Maryland.