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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

ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY:

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Students in Lane's Construction Program (CST 199) toured the EmX construction site. It gave the class a great introduction to the construction industry including pre-employment information.



Last weekend, Lane Community College Automotive Technology students participated in the *Lights-On Clinic* at the Valley River Center. Under the direction of Automotive Technology faculty members Kelly Mathers and Egan Riordon, students inspected and changed auto light bulbs for free. This community service event was sponsored by Automotive Service Association (ASA), Carquest and Eugene Service Parts (ESP). For more information about Lane Community

College's Automotive Technology Program, call 541 463-5380.



Lane's Fabrication and Welding Program will hold Expo 2015 from 8 am to 4 pm on Friday, May 15 and Saturday, May 16. Held in Building 8, this event will have hand-on activities along with welding demonstrations and virtual welding experiences. There will be a tool raffle and door prizes. College faculty and students as well as numerous local manufacturers will be present to answer questions about this growing field. This event is free and open to the public. it is appropriate for all ages. For more information, call 541 463-5505 or visit our website at: www.lanecc.edu/advtech/wld



ARTS:

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In March the Lane Chamber Choir toured to four high schools in our region and sang for hundreds of prospective Lane students. Touring is a vital part of our choir season and serves a significant role in community outreach, recruitment, and engagement for our students. Most importantly, the experience reaffirmed for all the powerful sense of community that happens when we come together to share of ourselves in the service of music.

Several of the students commented on the experience. Below are a few of these quotes:

"The Chamber Choir tour was an incredible growing experience; not only personally, but relationally. You only get to know people so well within a classroom dynamic, but leaving the campus and spending a day singing and traveling together allows you to discover how many wonderful people are in the choir. The tour has definitely been my favorite part of each year singing at Lane."

-Matt Reeves, Baritone

"Singing in the Chamber Choir at Lane has been an incredible experience. Matt's passion drives our own and helps create the amazing atmosphere that we are so fortunate to sing in. We have been blessed with the opportunity to share our music with high school students around the state, and I hope that our passion and love for music is an inspiration to them."

-Karissa Sinclair, Soprano

"Being a part of an ensemble is like being a part of a family where everyone has their individual roles but we function as a unit. Opportunities that foster togetherness are extremely valuable when building a community like ours. I love my choir family and I'm blessed to be able to create something so beautiful with them!"

-Sarah Griffin, Soprano

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Wednesday, April 23, over forty culinary arts students from six high schools competed in the 3rd Annual High School Culinary Skills Challenge held at Lane Community College. Sponsored by Lane Educational Service District, Lane's High School Connections and Lane's Culinary Arts and Hospitality Management program, this event allowed students to participate in five areas, including knife skills, sauces, STEM infusion, cake decorating and case study presentations. Current Lane Culinary Arts and Hospitality Management students as well as local chefs took an active part in judging and mentoring the participants.









The West Family (Westaurant Concepts) has graciously chosen not one, but two of our culinary students to each receive a \$2000 Future Culinarian Award to be given out at this year's Chef's Night Out. The award is in memory of Mike West who passed away last year and was a big supporter of our program. We had 11 students apply for this award and two were chosen: Britany Clingenpeel and Jackson Kelsay, both are dual-degree students. The award ceremony will be during the Best Bite awards with coverage from the Register Guard and KVAL news.

Lane students in the Culinary Arts and Hospitality Management Program were awarded the *Best Presentation & Hospitality* recognition at the Chef's Night Out event held on April 7th at the Eugene Hult Center. Ticket sales for this event went to Food for Lane County.





Chef Chris Crosthwaite and Dr. Lisa Aherin with CAHM students at Chef's Night Out

MATHEMATICS:

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Six local high schools came to Lane on May 9th for a morning of math fun! Teams of students competed in games, relays, and quizzes in the annual Lane Math Skills Fair. Many Lane instructors participated in coordinating the events, and students gained familiarity with our campus and our staff in a fun setting. Marist High School won the competition this year, and several students from

local high schools scored well enough on the quiz to qualify for the Oregon Invitational Math Tournament that will be held at the University of Oregon on May 16th.

SOCIAL SCIENCE:

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An Associated Press article was published in *The Register Guard* on March 6, 2015 that highlights the archaeological site that Patrick O'Grady and Marge Helzer have been working on since 2011 (http://registerguard.com/rg/news/local/32839818-75/oregon-dig-uncovers-ancient-tool.html.csp). Rimrock Draw Rockshelter is a human occupation site that is potentially the oldest in western North America and is the focus of national and international attention. LCC students have been involved in summer fieldwork at the site each year. Several of these students have gone on to become supervisors at the site and are now in graduate programs. At least two LCC students will be attending the archaeology field school summer 2015. Artifacts have been recovered in association with Pleistoceneaged camelid tooth enamel; blood residue on one stone tool was traced to bison; and volcanic tephra collected in the deposits have been linked to a Mt. St. Helen's eruption over 15,000 years ago.

Stan Taylor was instrumental in organizing the 8th Annual Lane Peace Symposium, "Seeing Red: Indigenous Perspectives On Peace & Justice," on April 30. The keynote speakers are: Suzan Harjo, who was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom by President Obama last November for her lifetime of advocacy on behalf of Native Americans, and Dennis Martinez, who is the founder of the Indigenous Peoples Restoration Network. He received the Ecotrust Indigenous Conservation Leadership award for his work on cultural rights, climate change, eco-cultural restoration.