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TO: Lane Community College Board of Education

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

ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY:

Contact: Patrick O'Connor, Dean, Conference & Culinary Services, o'connorp@lanecc.edu, 541/463-5710.

Lane's Hospitality Management students provided service at the Board of Meeting Planners International dinner hosted by Lane's CENTER at the Downtown Academic Campus.



Left to right: Edward Dinh, Sharmila Boone and Gabriel Martinez.

Reporter Grace Lim from KEZI news posted a story about the Iron Chef event being held at Lane. The story showcases the strength of the Culinary and Hospitality programs and can be read at http://www.kezi.com/news/Iron_Chef_Eugene_Heats_Up.html.

Lane's Automotive Technology program has been recently re-accredited by the National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation (NATEF). Nationally accepted standards of excellence in areas such as instruction, facilities, and equipment were used in granting the re-accreditation.

CHILD & FAMILY EDUCATION:

Contact: Sue Norton, Manager, Child & Family Education, nortons@lanecc.edu, 541/463-3301.

Lane's on campus child care center administers the Child Care Access Means Parents in School (CCAMPIS) grant. The grant provides up to 80% of their child care cost, parent support meetings and a parenting class. Student parents learn how to reduce stress and find community resources. These supports help the students stay on course and finish their degree or certificates.



CONTINUING EDUCATION:

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Governor Kate Brown signed HB 2410 into law on May 26, 2015. HB 2410 allows for the noncredit divisions of the seventeen Community Colleges to award training certificates for noncredit classes and programs. This is new law is the result of two years of work done by a work group from ten of the seventeen community colleges lead by Lane Community College's Program Coordinator Kathy Calise.

The third annual *Community Connections* networking workshop, organized by Lane Successful Aging Institute Advisory Council, attracted 40 participants representing a wide array of area businesses, non-profits, and governmental agencies on June 11, 2015. New solutions and partnerships were generated

by participants through facilitated brainstorming sessions.



SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER:

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This Spring a group of Lane Small Business Development Center (Lane SBDC) past and present advisors, staff, and well-wishers gathered to honor Dallas Merchant and unveil the “Dallas Merchant Award.” Dallas, a retired Lane SBDC advisor/instructor worked in the business community for more than 50 years with a career in banking and finance.

One of Dallas’ many advising clients, Tim Moxley, conceived of the award. He worked with Sculptor Jud Turner, who created the bridge-shaped award from steel and basalt. Tim so appreciated the help he received from Dallas that he decided to do something to honor him, he explains, “I thought what the SBDC does is build bridges between the community and the people of Eugene. I realized the symbol of the bridge is the perfect way to honor Dallas.” Each year, the Lane SBDC will use the award to acknowledge and highlight one of the center’s outstanding small businesses. The award presentation will be tied to the Small Business Administration’s National Small Business Week, the first week of May.

SCIENCE:

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The Lane Community College Science Division has received a two-year \$249,866 award for course-based undergraduate research from the National Science Foundation (NSF) Improving Undergraduate STEM Education program (IUSE: EHR) (Award # 1505081). The grant is one of about 100 awarded nationally for exploring strategies to increase engagement of students in STEM degrees and careers. Lane's project is titled "Tipping the Scale: Engaging Community College Science Faculty and Students

in Course-Based Research Experiences (CBRE)." Using a community of practice model among the faculty, the project will explore, develop and assess sustainable strategies for integrating CBRE into lower-division transfer courses in biology and environmental science. An estimated 2000 students a year could experience CBRE in their introductory science classes, increasing their scientific literacy, skill in science research, persistence in science classes and student and faculty engagement in doing science. The grant team is led by Biology faculty member, Dr. Bert Pooth. Co-Principal Investigators are Stacey Kiser and Susan Holmes, from Biology, and Dr. Paul Ruscher, from Earth and Environmental Sciences.

SOCIAL SCIENCE:

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On June 14, graduates of the ninth Lane County Sheriff's Reserve Police Academy celebrated with their instructors and family members at a special ceremony. The Academy is hosted by John DelNero (Faculty in Social Science) and Alen Bahret (Classified Staff in IT) through LCC's Criminal Justice program. Four of the eight graduates serve as members of the LCC Public Safety team.

