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On Campus after
hours? Play it
safe,

Contact Public
Safety at 5558.

Thank You!

Worried about Radiation?

Submitted by Kathleen "Mona" Arbuckle, FNP
Manager, LCC Health Clinic

Many of you already know that there has been a run on potassium iodide (KI). This is a medication that can help prevent thyroid cancer in the event of a radiation exposure. Here are the facts on the recent issues in Japan and the use of potassium iodide.



Potassium iodide prevents the thyroid gland from absorbing radioactive ^{131}I , or Iodine 131. It does not protect from any other type of radioactive isotope. ^{131}I is a short-lived isotope.

Neither of these products should be taken without appropriate evaluation first, or an indication from the Centers for Disease Control or the Public Health Department that they are necessary.

Like all medications, these products can have side effects. The following is an excerpt from Wikipedia about possible side effects from KI.

"At maximal doses, and sometimes at much lower doses, side effects of iodide used for medical reasons, in doses of 1000 times the normal nutritional need, may include: acne, loss of appetite, or upset stomach (especially during the first several days, as the body adjusts to the medication). More severe side effects which require notification of a physician are: fever, weakness, unusual tiredness, swelling in the neck or throat, mouth sores, skin rash, nausea, vomiting, stomach pains, irregular heart-beat, numbness or tingling of the hands or feet, or a metallic taste in the mouth."

The following is the Public Health Clinic page which is updated regularly. <http://public.health.oregon.gov/Preparedness/CurrentHazards/>

These are links to other useful FAQs about radiation and potassium iodide.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Potassium_iodide

<http://emergency.cdc.gov/radiation/ki.asp>

<http://emergency.cdc.gov/radiation/japan/ki.asp>

Officers You Should Know

Officer Lisa Rupp



Officer Lisa Rupp has been with Lane Community College's Public Safety Department since 1998. She began her career at Lane as a work study student in 1997 while pursuing her degree in criminal justice. She became a part-time on-call officer and was later hired as a full-time officer.

During her employment with the college, Officer Rupp was a student of LCC and received her Associate of Applied Science Degree in Human Services: Criminal Justice in 2008.

Officer Rupp is now studying at LCC and plans to get a transfer degree to achieve her goal for a bachelor's degree. Officer Rupp's true passion is to be an advocate and teacher for persons with developmental disabilities and their families.

Officer Rupp is part of the Campus Community Emergency Response team (CERT) trained as an emergency response aid for the college and the community. She is also a member of the Downtown Safety Committee.

Officer Rupp holds a state certificate from the Oregon Dept. of Public Safety Standards and Training.

In her spare time, Officer Rupp enjoys gardening, Raiders Football and spending time with her partner and daughter.

Currently, Officer Rupp works at the LCC Downtown campus Monday through Friday.

Dead Battery?

Submitted by Gina Walker, Student Aide

One of the services Public Safety has to offer is portable battery chargers available to campus staff, students and visitors. These chargers are designed to assist motorists in "jump starting" their cars without aid of a second vehicle.



People who are in need of battery packs may check them out at the Public Safety office in Building 13. Two pieces of identification are required to complete the checkout process. The I.D. is held in the office until the battery pack is returned.

For added convenience, Public Safety will provide an optional hand cart for use in carrying the packs.

Tips to Avoid Dead Batteries:

- Make sure headlights are turned off
- Ensure all electronic devices and cables are unplugged from the cigarette lighter. Cables continue to draw energy from the battery, even if unplugged from portable devices
- Top off battery cells with distilled water
- Check battery posts frequently to be sure they are tight and free of corrosion
- Ensure the battery is firmly secured in its mounting bracket
- Replace the battery as necessary, *before* getting stranded



Crime on Campus

***Select Cases on Campus
March, 2011**



Mar 1	Vandalism of vehicle, Lot N	Mar 15	Hit and Run, Lot M
Mar 2	Trespass, Lot L		Assault, Lot B
Mar 4	Theft of cash, Center Building	Mar 17	Theft of Handicapped Placard, Lot N
	Harassment, Bus Loop	Mar 21	Damaged College Property, Greenhouse
Mar 7	Trespass, PE Building		
	Theft of sign, DTC	Mar 22	Hit and Run, Lot N
	Conduct Code Violation, Building 13	Mar 24	Traffic Accident, Lot N
	Conduct Code Violation, Art Building		Disorderly Conduct, Building One
Mar 8	Identity Theft, Lot B	Mar 28	Theft of backpack, Bookstore
	Hit and Run, Lot 2		Theft of shoulder bag, Bookstore
	Theft of tip jar and coins, Cafeteria		Theft of backpack, Bookstore
Mar 10	Hit and Run, Lot L		Theft of backpack, Bookstore (separate incidents)
	Vehicle Accident, Lot L		Harassment, Lot N
Mar 11	Medical Assist, Lot N		Theft of backpack, PE Building
	Stolen Vehicle, Lot B	Mar 29	Hit and Run, Lot N
	Theft of camera, Library		Theft of gym bag, Bookstore
Mar 12	Suspicious Conditions, Child Care		Suspicious Subject, DTC
	Harassment, Center Building		
Mar 14	Conduct Code Violation, Building 13		
	Suspicious Conditions, Cafeteria		
	Unlawful Entry into Motor Vehicle, Lot N		

**Have a crime tip? Please call us with
your information at (541) 463-5558**

Crime Tip of the Month **Bicycle Theft Prevention**

With the coming of Spring and improving weather conditions, bicycles will become the preferred mode of transportation for many students and staff at Lane Community College. Below are a few tips on how to keep bikes safe from theft on campus.

- Bicycles should be secured to a permanent object anytime it will be out of the rider's sight. On campus, bike racks should be utilized.
- U-type locks, made up of strong, alloy steel, are generally best for securing bicycles.
- The entire bike should be locked up, including the frame and both wheels.
- Easily removable items, such as bags, lights, etc., should be taken by the rider or left at home.
- Serial numbers, as well as basic descriptions, should be written down and kept in a safe place, in the event the bicycle is stolen.

Soon, students and staff will be able to register their bicycles with LCC's Public Safety. This service will be offered sometime in late spring or early summer. Watch future newsletters for specific details.



Gentle Reminders

Submitted by Chief Jace Smith

Recently an instructor called Public Safety and reported a leaking water valve. When the officer responded, the instructor shared that he had actually slipped and fell before he called. This incident occurred when the school was closed. This instructor was able to call Public Safety to report the issue. Because the instructor was not scheduled on campus and had not called Public Safety previously, it is most fortunate that he was not seriously injured and unable to call.

During another incident, an employee let students into a secured building on the weekend. The staff person asked the students if they were supposed to be on campus and they said they had made arrangements with their instructor. One of the students smelled strongly of marijuana.

An officer patrolling campus saw the students in an area that was supposed to be secured. The officer asked who they were and who was responsible for them. The officer then spoke to the staff person who decided that perhaps he did not want to be responsible for the conduct of those students.

It is important to remember that while Public Safety Officers have enforcement discretion with regard to most laws, they cannot change campus policy. This is a difficult situation for all concerned, especially when there have been incidents of students or others becoming injured when they are not scheduled to be on site, had little or no supervision, and the school (or area they occupied) was closed.

Other issues include fire response, crimes against persons (when the campus is relatively unoccupied, because it is closed), and the time-consuming and wasteful task of Public Safety officers forced to look

Link to Newsletter: [Lanecc.edu/psd/newsletter.html](http://lanecc.edu/psd/newsletter.html)

Your feedback is valuable to us! If you have any comments or suggestions, please feel free to email me at thomasc@lanecc.edu

Officer Chantal Thomas, Officer 2, Editor in Chief

up license plates for unidentified vehicles, when the campus is closed and no one has thoughtfully informed the officers when they were on campus. courtesies (and policy) of ensuring that students are scheduled and supervised while on the campus after hours. Also please remember to notify Public Safety when staying late or coming in during “closed hours”.

Thank You—Public Safety



With a Grain of Salt

His first day on the job, a rookie officer was riding in a cruiser with an experienced officer. They were dispatched to disperse some people, who were loitering.

The officers drove down the street and observed a small crowd standing on a corner. The rookie rolled down his window and shouted, “Let’s get off the corner, people!” A few people glanced at the officer, but nobody moved, so he barked again, “Let’s get off that corner, NOW!” Intimidated, the group of people began to leave, casting puzzled stares in his direction.

Proud of his first official act, the young officer turned to his partner and asked, “Well, how did I do?”

Pretty good”, chuckled the vet, “especially considering this is a bus stop.”

Have Unwanted Prescription Drugs?

On April 30th, Lane Public Safety and Health Clinic are sponsoring DEA Take Back Day for Unwanted Prescription Drugs. The event will take place between 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the lobby of Center for Meeting and Learning, Building 19. Prescription drugs accepted, except chemotherapy drugs or sharps. All liquids should be tightly closed. Details online at: <http://www.lanecc.edu/mpr/news/rel01396.htm>