



# SAFER CAMPUS

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Safety is every  
employee's re-  
sponsibility.

Report safety  
concerns to Barb  
Dumbleton (463-  
5449) or Dawn  
Barth (463-  
5503).



## SAFETY COMMITTEE

(Story by Ester Palmer, Earn and Learn Student for Department of Public Safety)

The Safety Committee at Lane Community College impacts campus by bringing employees and managers together to achieve and maintain a safe and healthy work place. They assist in monitoring, improving, and maintaining job safety and occupational health as mandated by OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) regulations. One important role of the Safety Committee is to find the root cause of accidents that have occurred. This review enables the Committee to determine any actions that may be taken to prevent similar accidents in the future.

The Safety Committee is comprised of management and employee representatives from every department. Barbara Dumbleton has been the Safety Committee Facilitator for approximately three years. She is in charge of organizing meetings, writing the agenda, and collecting discussion topics to cover at the meetings. She is also in charge of collecting and dispersing information that is pertinent to the Safety Committee.

Currently, the Safety Committee is working on prioritizing work orders related to safety to take care of the most prominent hazards and safety issues. They are always working together to identify areas with safety concerns in order to address them in a timely manner.

The Safety Committee has come a long way in the past three years. It has worked hard to develop a very strong committee that's able to communicate with all parts of the college. It has also developed a better form for addressing accidents. The members have also developed a safety strategic direction so that all staff and students feel safe and supported. The Safety Committee is easy to contact. Individuals may do so by emailing: [safetycommittee@lanecc.edu](mailto:safetycommittee@lanecc.edu). Everyone is encouraged to be open and honest about safety concerns.

There are a variety of programs that are supported by the Safety Committee. These include the Wellness, Ergonomics, and Environmental Safety Programs.

## !@\*@\$\*£\$# - What's the Deal with this Parking Ticket?!

Jace Smith, Chief

As Parking Enforcement activity picks up, a few common themes develop with regard to erroneous assumptions and appeals.

Here are some answers to Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs):

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## **PARKING (continued from Page 2)**

### **So prove that I was parked the way you said!**

First, there is no requirement that trained officers and aides prove that you were parked in the manner described or noted on the ticket. However, at the officer's discretion, they may and often do take **Photos** of violations and write extensive notes on the Public Safety copy of the citation. There is no requirement that officers photograph a violation, but for especially contentious issues or egregious violations, a photo is often taken

### **There was no sign that said I couldn't park there!**

It is impossible and unnecessary to mark every illegal parking space in any jurisdiction. Parking spaces are identified by yellow lines, parking chocks, signage, and by direction of Public Safety personnel. Vehicles that block roadways, obstruct exits, park on the roadway (in a manner that creates a traffic hazard) or otherwise break college policy or the Oregon Revised Statutes, are subject to citation.

### **What about the other parkers? I was the ONLY one to get a ticket!**

Variations of this theme include: I have parked like that a bunch of other times AND, I have seen others parking like that and they never got a ticket.

We do not deal in the particular cases of other indi-

viduals and the numerous reasons that they were or were not ticketed on any particular day. The most important question is: were **YOU** parked illegally, as the ticket indicates.

### **This ticket does not have an amount marked!**

### **How the heck am I supposed to pay it!?!**

Congratulations! You are one of the exceedingly rare folks who can disregard your ticket. You can verify this by calling, 5558 and inquiring further, but if there is not an amount marked or presented somewhere on the citation, it is incomplete and PS will make no further attempt to collect or record it.

### **How do I appeal? That is probably bogus as well!**

An appeals committee meets monthly to review appeals. Persons may appeal by following the instructions on the back of their citations. LCC PS citation appeals are reviewed by a faculty member, staff member, and a student. A non-voting Public Safety officer is present to explain any legal questions or to provide details on any particular ticket. The appeals committee may waive, reduce, or keep in force the citation.



## **CAGE THE RAGE**

Recently, Public Safety investigated a reported case of "road rage". This incident began on I-5 and ended on campus when one driver allegedly physically harassed the other. Road rage usually refers to angry or impatient motorist who attempts to injure or kill another driver due to a traffic dispute. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), approx. 66% of all annual traffic fatalities are caused by aggressive driving actions. These actions include passing on the right, disobeying red lights and tailgating. Of the millions of injuries and fatalities caused by aggressive driving, nearly 40% involved the use of a firearm in one way or another, nearly 30% involved other weapons and approx. 35% involved the use of a car as a weapon.

Here are a few tips to avoid road conflicts:

- Plan your route in advance to avoid driving erratically or making last minute turns or lane changes;
- Make a conscious decision not to allow traffic to affect your mood or behavior;
- Driving in a courteous and conscientious manner (avoid driving in the left lane unless passing, adjust your speed to allow other drivers to merge, maintain a safe distance, etc)



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## Officers You Should Know



### Officer David Jones

Officer Jones grew up in several different areas in California, mainly Stanislaus County, in Modesto, Keyes, Brentwood, and Turlock. He graduated from Turlock High School in Turlock, California. He was an Eagle Scout in the Boys Scouts, an Explorer Scout, and a member of the Order of the Arrow.

Officer Jones enlisted in the U.S. Navy, serving from June 1987 to June 1991, as an Aviation Electrician with an F-14 Tomcat squadron VF-41 The Black Aces aboard the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Theodore Roosevelt CVN-71, Carrier Airwing CAG- 8. He served in Desert Storm and the Liberation of Kuwait. After his discharge, Officer Jones attended college on the G.I. Bill in Livermore, California.

Officer Jones moved to Springfield, Oregon in 1995, and began an extensive career in security. He worked his way up to Assistant Site Supervisor with American Protective Services at Hyundai of Eugene. Officer Jones became training Manager with Pinkerton Security also at Hyundai of Eugene, until 1998.

He attended Lane Community College, and also served as an on-call officer with Campus Public Safety until 2000.

Officer Jones worked for United Security Associates as an armed alarm response patrol officer in Eugene/ Springfield until 2000. He worked for Oregon Armored as an armed courier all over Oregon, Portland, Coastal area, and Southern Area down to Medford- money transport for approx. five years.

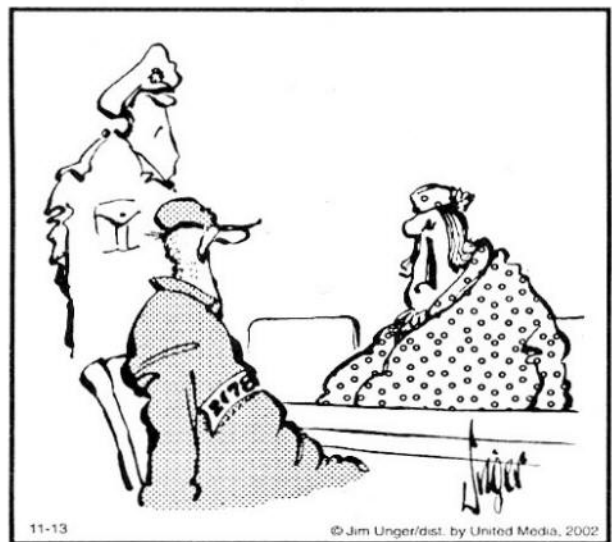
He received an Associates degree in Criminal Justice at Lane Community College in June 2001. He has worked many part-time jobs: for Guardian Security since October 2008, performing event security, for The Rok / Charros Restaurant Bar/Lounge as a bouncer; On-call again with Lane Community College Public Safety since 2009 – Current 2012.

He was employed with Wackenhut Security and Paragon Systems on Federal Contracts for Homeland Security full-time in Portland, Salem and Eugene, from 2002 to the present.

Officer Jones recently become a Firearms Instructor for Oregon Dept. of Public Safety and Standards. He is also an state certified unarmed security instructor and a Supervisory/ Manager.

In February 2011, Officer Jones attended an NRA Firearms Instructor Course for Law Enforcement Pistol and Shotgun, and became a certified NRA Firearms Instructor.

Officer Jones has been married for twelve years, and has five children. He enjoys reading science fiction, thrillers, mysteries, and spy novels. He also likes camping, fishing, and spending time with his family.



"I know why you never write! You're too busy digging that stupid tunnel."



## Crime on Campus \*Select Cases From January, 2012



Jan 3 Assault IV, Building 19  
Jan 10 Hit and Run, Lot B  
Theft, Center Building  
Theft, Center Building  
Jan 13 Theft, PE  
Jan 19 Disorderly Conduct, PE  
Jan 24 Accident, Lot L  
Harassment, Lot B  
Theft, Building One  
Jan 25 Warrant Arrest, Building 13  
Theft, Lot D  
Jan 30 Attempted Robbery, Lot B  
Suspicious Person, Aviation

### Cage the Rage (continued from page two)

- Do not compete or retaliate;
- Avoid honking your horn unless absolutely necessary to avoid an accident;
- If you are being physically threatened, lock your doors and stay inside your vehicle;
- If you make a mistake, say you're sorry. A simple apology can go a long way in de-escalating hot tempers;
- If you believe you are being followed, do not drive home. Instead, try to drive the nearest law enforcement agency or well-lit, public place;
- Do not carry a defensive weapon, as it may serve to provoke a person who is already angry and upset;
- Ask yourself, is it worth my safety to vent my feelings? Is it worth the safety of my family or other passengers?
- If you are becoming frustrated, breathe deeply, try to get some fresh air and consider pulling

### Did You Know?



The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) specifies that animals other than dogs and miniature horses *do not* qualify as service animals and *do not* have public access.

According to the ADA, "Psychiatric service" dogs have public access, but "emotional support" dogs do not. Psychiatric service dogs are specially trained to sense psychiatric episodes and to actively respond by nudging, barking or leading their partners to a safe location. Emotional support dogs may be able to sense distress, but only provide comfort or support by simply being present.



Officer Mark Bradley, during Traffic Enforcement training at the Public Safety Academy.

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

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

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**Sgt. Chantal Thomas, Editor in Chief**