



# SAFER CAMPUS

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## Public Safety at the "Sustainability & Wellness" Health

Public Safety again

attended this year's Health and Wellness Fair. Sgt. Lisa Rupp was the officer-in-charge of this detail and worked with Officer Ben Bower, Director of the Campus Community Emergency Response Team (C-CERT), and Marleena Peerson, C-CERT volunteer.

Sgt. Rupp obtained donations from Pearl Day Massage and from Pat O'Connor, the Dean of Advanced Technology.



Public Safety booth was equipped with a well fashioned board, filled with pictures, about Public Safety operations. The booth also featured educational games, in-

cluding a new flip board game, developed by Officer Bower. This game focused on some of the policies and procedures of Public Safety. Contestants had to answer questions correctly to get prizes (fresh fruit!).

The Campus-Community Emergency Response Team informed visitors on the importance of C-CERT. The C-CERT table was filled with applications, pamphlets, and also featured a massive Lego "town", built by Officer Bower. The town is used as a training tool, and depicted an earthquake. C-CERT prepares for this and other disasters. The C-CERT booth provided information on how to become a member of C-CERT. Persons interested in volunteering or who want more information should contact Public Safety at (541)463-5558, or email Officer Bower, at bowerb@lanecc.edu.



## HEALTH CORNER - CAMPUS SAFETY

Sneezing, coughing, body aches and fevers; the joys of Flu Season. The flu is a contagious respiratory illness caused by influenza viruses that infect the nose, throat, and lungs. It can cause mild to severe illness, and at times can lead to death. According to Jayne Culberson, LCC Health Clinic Manager, "The best way to prevent the flu is by getting a flu vaccine each year."

The Oregon Health Authority stated that the Influenza Virus is becoming a growing epidemic in Oregon, with at least twenty definite outbreaks, and some ending with

death. Outbreaks can be defined as two or more lab-confirmed cases, but usually linking as many as 15 or 20 individuals.



**Jayne Culberson**  
**Health Clinic**  
**Manager**

Culberson also shared insightful information on how the disease is transmitted. According to Culberson, most experts believe that flu viruses spread mainly by droplets made when people with flu cough,

sneeze or talk. These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people who are nearby. Less often, a person might also get flu by touching a surface or object that has flu virus on it and then touching their own mouth, eyes or possibly their nose.

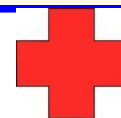
An individual may be able to pass on the flu to someone else before you know you are sick, as well as while you are sick. Most healthy adults may be able to infect others be

ginning 1 day before symptoms develop and up to 5-7 days after becoming sick. Some people, especially young children and people with weakened immune systems, might be able to infect others for an even longer time.

The 2014-15 flu vaccine won't protect individuals from all flu varieties appearing in North America this year but it is still effective. Remember, the best protection is to thoroughly wash hands, cover coughs (elbow), wear a mask when around others, and stay home when sick to prevent the spread of the flu.



### ***Preparedness Tip***



The American Red Cross now offers mobile apps to keep emergency information at your fingertips?

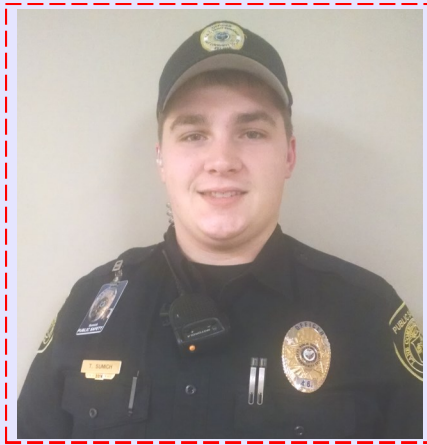
Apps include tips on subjects from first aid, natural disasters, Red Cross shelter locations to swim safety, and pet emergencies. There is even an app for children, called Monster Guard, that teaches kids how to deal with emergencies using games and fun activities.

Did I mention the apps are free?

For more information and links to where you can download the apps, to go <http://www.redcross.org/prepare/mobile-apps>



# Officers You Should Know



**OFFICER TYREL SUMICH**

Officer Tyrel Sumich was raised in Triangle Lake, Oregon, on a fourth generation dairy farm. Officer Sumich lived in Triangle Lake until he was 22 years old; at that time he moved with his girlfriend, now fiancé, to Eugene. Officer Sumich has been attending LCC since 2011, and has almost completed the AAOT Criminal Justice Degree, he is due to graduate Summer of 2015.

Officer Sumich began working at LCC Public Safety as a Cadet in April of 2014, at that time he experienced a thorough background investigation, drug and physical screening before he was finally accepted into the program. Officer Sumich successfully completed the five-week Public Safety Academy, and underwent an additional five weeks of Field Training. In January of this year, Officer Sumich was promoted to Officer Status after serving and training as a cadet.

While attending the Public Safety Academy, Officer Sumich recorded the fastest time while performing the Emergency Vehicle Operator Course (EVOC). Officer Sumich is also in the process of completing his Law Enforcement Data System (LEDS) certificate, and his Emergency Medical Training (EMT) Basic certificate.

Officer Sumich has a passion for hunting, fishing and riding, he also has been working on rebuilding a 1972 Classic Bronco. When asked what made him so interested in Law Enforcement Officer Sumich humbly responded, "I enjoy helping people and I want people to feel safe. I am getting my experience in patrol so I can go on and hopefully be a fish and game officer."

Officer Sumich in 5 to 10 years as an Officer for another University, or as an OSP Fish and Game Trooper.

Sumich was recently engaged and will marry soon. At the point he may, "...take the old dairy farm off of my dad's hands."



## Who Else Should I know?



Dustin VanDerLinden grew up in Coal City, Illinois, and settled down in Eugene in 2012, "This is the most beautiful place I have been in the United States", Dustin made sure to comment. Dustin has been with LCC Public Safety as a Federal Work Study for one year, but has been attending LCC for two years, and is 12 credits away from getting a certificate in Medical Code.

Dustin is also an active member of the Campus-Community Emergency Response Team (C-CERT) for LCC, and has graduated the C-CERT FEMA Basic Training Program.

Dustin's passions in life consist of music, the outdoors, and making genuine connections with people. In the next five to ten years Dustin sees himself working as a professional medical coder, and plans on owning his own land and living a semi-off-the-grid sustainable lifestyle.



# Crime on Campus

**\*Select Cases from Dec, 2014**



Dec 1, Officer responded to vehicle crash in Lot B  
Dec 2, Officer took investigated report of Harassment in Bldg 10.  
Dec 2, Officer assisted in a Medical Emergency at the Health Clinic  
Dec 2, Officer discovered a possible stolen vehicle on the west side of campus  
Dec 2, Officers investigated dispute on Lot F  
Dec 3, Officer investigated two suspicious males in the Cafeteria  
Dec 3, Officers contacted three suspicious persons on the South Access Rd.  
Dec 4, Officer investigated theft of a bass guitar from Bldg. 6  
Dec 4, Officer investigated report of Suspicious Conditions in Lot N  
Dec 4, Officer responded to Medical Emergency in Bldg 2  
Dec 4, Officers discovered smoke in Bldg 9  
Dec 5, Officer discovered Graffiti at Titan Court  
Dec 5, Officer investigated report of theft of a wallet in Bldg 5  
Dec 5, Officer investigated report of Suspicious Person in Lot N  
Dec 7, Officer contacted subject regarding an alcohol violation at the Downtown Campus  
Dec 8, Medical Emergency in Bldg 10  
Dec 8, Officers investigated suspicious odor in the Center Bldg  
Dec 9, Officers investigated report of Trespassing in Bldg 19  
Dec 9, Officers investigated report of an intoxicated subject near the Center Bldg  
Dec 9, Officers responded to Medical Emergency in Bldg 10  
Dec 10, Officers investigated Suspicious Vehicle in Lot B  
Dec 11, Officer investigated report of Suspicious Person at the Downtown Campus.  
Dec 11, Officer investigated report of a Missing Person at the Downtown Campus.  
Dec 11, Officer responded to report of Theft of artwork from the Center Bldg

Dec 13, Officer located Graffiti at the DTC  
Dec 13, Officer Discovered Graffiti at Titan Court  
Dec 13, Officer investigated report of the Theft of a bicycle at Titan Court  
Dec 15, Officer discovered two Suspicious Subjects in Bldg 4  
Dec 16, Officers investigated traffic crash near Lot 3  
Dec 16, Officer responded to report of Theft of a wallet at Titan Court  
Dec 18, Officers investigated report of a Domestic Dispute near the Child Care Center  
Dec 20, Officer discovered Graffiti at the DTC  
Dec 20, Officer discovered evidence of Offensive Littering at the DTC  
Dec 21, Officer investigated Theft of a chainsaw on the west side of Main Campus  
Dec 22, Officers assisted Lane County Sheriff's Office in investigating a Missing Person near Main Campus  
Dec 22, Officer discovered water leak in Bldg 6  
Dec 22, Officer investigated person found to be in possession of marijuana at the Titan Court  
Dec 22, Officer responded to report of Vandalism of Titan Court property  
Dec 23, Officers arrested subject for Burglary in the Center Bldg  
Dec 23, Officer discovered person Trespassing at the Downtown Campus  
Dec 24, Officers discovered person Trespassing in Lot L of Main Campus  
Dec 25, Officer investigated Suspicious Vehicle in Lot N  
Dec 26, Officer investigated Suspicious Vehicle in Lot 3  
Dec 27, Officer discovered Graffiti at the DTC  
Dec 27, Officers investigated Suspicious Vehicle in Lot L  
Dec 30, Officer assisted medical personnel during a Medical Emergency at Titan Court  
Dec 30, Officer responded to report of two Suspicious Subjects at the Bookstore  
Dec 31, Officer assisted Eugene Police Department during fire alarm activation at Titan Court.

## BODY CAMERAS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT

In light of recent events, many law enforcement agencies across the nation are equipping their officers with department-issued body cameras. The primary purpose of wearing the cameras is to accurately document the incidents officers respond to on a daily basis.

In addition to cameras, in most instances, being able to clarify what took place, what was said and how things happened, but video footage helps refresh an officer's memory when writing reports and testifying in court. Also, videos can provide more realistic material for training.



Departments mandating camera use typically see numbers of complaints against officers fall sharply.

Despite all the advantages, what most people don't understand, but officers are keenly aware, is that no matter the quality of technology involved, body-worn cameras are not a cure-all. Cameras have not yet evolved to the point where they will pan in accordance to the eyes, but instead only show what is directly in front of the lens. Fisheye-type lenses help, but do not cover a full 360 degrees.



Currently, Public Safety Officers with Lane Community College are required to wear body cameras and to record certain types of situations, such as suspicious person contacts and traffic stops.

### GRAIN OF SALT



A man goes to the police station wanting to speak to the burglar who broke into his house the night before. 'You'll get your chance in court,' says the desk sergeant. 'No, no, no!' says the man. 'I want to know how he got into the house without waking my wife. I've been trying to do that for years!'



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 send an email to [kroekers@lanecc.edu](mailto:kroekers@lanecc.edu)**

**Dispatcher Kroeker**

### EDITOR'S NOTE

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our readers for their loyalty, these past four years, since I have been your Editor-in-Chief. I am retiring (well, semi-retiring), at the end of this month, and am handing the reigns over to the very capable hands of my replacement at the helm, Public Safety Dispatcher and Administrative Assistant Shawni Kroeker.

See you around campus! - **Sgt. Chantal Thomas**