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Chief's Note



Remember, Of-
ficers are also
College Officials
and College Em-
ployees.

Let's all work to-
wards a respect-
ful workplace.

Public Safety Officers Graduate Sheriff's Office Reserve Police Academy

Recently, four officers from LCC Public Safety Department graduated from the Reserve Police Academy, conducted by the Lane County Sheriff's Office. Officers were required to attend class Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays.

Academy courses included (not limited to) Oregon Criminal and Traffic Laws, Investigations, Patrol Procedures, Traffic Stops, Defense Tactics, Use of Less Lethal Weapons (pepper spray, baton and Taser) and Firearms.

Public Safety Sgt. Lisa Rupp, Cpl. Zach King, and Officers Ben Bower and Miguel Gonzales attended the academy on their own time, making personal sacrifices to successfully complete the training.

Each year several Public Safety officers attend this additional training.



**Congratulations, LCSO
Reserve Police
Academy #8!**

Officer Risk, Injury, and Danger

Part II, Continued from the last edition of the Safer Times Challenging Conversations Series

Until an individual has a working knowledge and understanding of law enforcement practices, questions often abound.

On the infrequent occasions I receive officer complaints, I review the officer video with the individual to explain why the officer told them to take their hands out of their pockets, or asked for consent to search, or required them to produce ID or a hundred other things gross and small that a trained individual would not question.

When one combines the continued confusion that citizens exhibit when dealing with LCC Public Safety (i.e., Can you even stop me out here? Are you allowed to ask me for my license? Security can't write me a ticket! - sigh), then you have combined the normal potential dangers with seemingly righteous indignation and now we are off and running!

During one memorable case - a contact on campus; an officer requested a license, insurance, and registration documents (as he was permitted to do by law) and the individual refused and then called police. The officer requested an additional officer and advised the station that the subject had called police.

We all scratched our heads in wonderment and started joking about what might happen next. You see, LCSO calls us for on campus calls, we expected (and I think we received a call) that LCSO would call or radio us and advise us that a citizen had some kind of problem and to please go and respond.

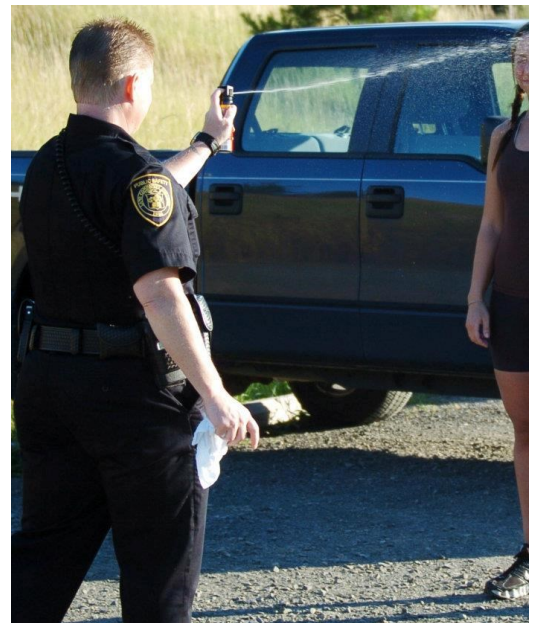
The citizen did not believe that we could do the things we were doing and called the *real police*. The "real police" called us. It is this kind of ignorance, in spite of hundreds of individuals in training, thousands of pieces of info in orientation on Public Safety, a progressive website, comprehensive annual security report, hundreds of cases and thousands of calls for service, and the continued personal corrections offered to people that confuse Public Safety with "security", by a determined but weary cadre of officers, that is maddening.

Why do other officers find it darkly humorous that LCC Public Safety provides all of these services and does so, so effectively without even a TASER? It is because it is darkly humorous.

We work in an environment where being a highly respected and education-minded department generates questions about what the DPS does, versus how they can be better supported, when problems arise. When officers risk their lives, the last words we hear - if ever - are ""Thank You"". More often there is a rigid silence and hushed conversations about how officers do their jobs and whether they should be permitted to continue.

It is an interesting conundrum. Yes, the job is dangerous. Yes, that danger is compounded by the ignorance of others. Yes, that danger is real. Yes, there are tactics and activities that occasionally make people feel uncomfortable, but are absolutely necessary. No, we don't have the tools we need. Yes, one or more of us will be seriously hurt or killed in the future. No, there is no realistic recognition of this possibility, rather - a poised knee, ready to jerk out in amazement and surprise when an officer is finally, inevitably hurt.

These are tough issues. These are not issues of going backwards to a less professional organization. These are issues of awareness, preparation, and reality. —Article by Jace Smith, Chief of Public Safety



Crime on Campus

*Select Cases on Campus May, 2014



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

May 1, officer investigated domestic dispute near Building 8.

May 1, officers investigated report of attempted rape on inner campus.

May 1, officer contacted an individual who was carrying a small amount of marijuana on their person.

May 1, a staff member reported Graffiti in a men's restroom in Bldg 19.

May 1, officers responded to report of a disorderly subject in Lot N.

May 4, officers were dispatched to the Center Bldg. regarding multiple smoke/fire alarms. There was no smoke or fire when officers arrived.

May 5, officers were dispatched to Bldg 5 regarding a verbal altercation.

May 5, officer was told by staff member there was a hypodermic needle in a restroom at the Downtown Campus.

May 5, Medical Emergency reported at Titan Court.

May 5, officer assisted Eugene Police in responding to a fight in front of Titan Court.

May 6, Medical Emergency reported in the Center Bldg.

May 6, officers responded to report of subject acting suspiciously in Lot N.

May 7, officer noticed suspicious vehicle on the west side of Main Campus.

May 7, vehicle reported stolen from Lot L.

May 7, victim reported backpack stolen from Bldg. 5

May 7, Harassment reported at LTD bus stop.

May 7, Stalking reported on Main Campus.

May 7, officer assisted Oregon State Police in arresting a drunk driver on the east side of campus.

May 9, Theft of purse from Bldg 16.

May 9, Theft of bike seat from outside Bldg 11.

May 9, officer assisted EMT's with Medical Emergency in front of the LTD Bus Station.

May 9, officer assisted Eugene Police with dispute at Titan Court.

May 10, Medical Emergency at Titan Court.

May 12, Suspicious Odor reported in Bldg 19.

May 12, Stalking, LTD Bus Loop.

May 13, Disorderly Subjects, LTD Bus Loop.

May 13, Theft of wallet from Bldg. 16

May 13, officers responded to report of persons unlawfully petitioning near the Center Bldg.

May 13, officer discovered two persons attempting to have sex in a vehicle in Lot J.

May 15, Graffiti reported in Bldg 10.

May 15, Disorderly Subject reported in Bldg 1.

May 15, officer responded to Hit and Run (property damage) in Lot L.

May 16, report of Graffiti in Bldg 16.

May 16, officers responded to verbal dispute between several people in Bristow Square.

May 16, officer took report of Harassment in Center Bldg.

May 17, officer discovered subject Trespassing on campus. Subject was escorted off campus.

May 17, officer discovered evidence of attempted Burglary at the DTA.

May 17, officer assisted Eugene Police Department in a criminal investigation.

May 19, officer conducted Welfare Check on two subjects at the Downtown Campus.

May 19, officer responded to report of Disorderly Subjects at Titan Court.

May 19, officers reported to call of Suspicious Persons looking inside vehicles. Report taken.

May 19, officer responded to report of employee being Harassed by resident at Titan Court.

May 19, Medical Emergency in Bldg 5.

May 19, officer responded to call of Disorderly Subject in Bldg 19.

May 20, victim reported they were Harassed at Downtown Campus.

May 22, officer took report of Hit and Run in Lot L.

May 22, Medical Emergency, Bldg 19.

May 24, Graffiti reported in Bldg 17.

May 24, Graffiti reported in multiple locations inside Center Bldg.

May 24, Graffiti reported at the DTA.

May 27, Reckless Driving seen by officer in Lot L.

May 27, Theft of cell phone, Bldg 6.

May 28, Hit and Run reported in Lot N.

May 28, Medical Emergency, Bldg 19.

Crime on Campus

*Select Cases on Campus June, 2014



- Jun 1, officer noticed suspicious vehicle on west side of campus
- Jun 2, victim reported they were being stalked around campus
- Jun 2, victim reported they were being harassed at Titan Court
- Jun 2, officers responded to Medical Emergency in Bldg 10
- Jun 2, officers responded to Medical Emergency in Bldg 16
- Jun 3, officer discovered Graffiti in Lot L
- Jun 3, officers responded to Domestic Dispute in Bldg 16
- Jun 3, Hit and Run reported in Lot L
- Jun 3, officer responded to Medical Emergency at the Downtown Campus.
- Jun 4, Graffiti reported in Center Bldg
- Jun 4, officers investigated Missing Person case in Bldg 6
- Jun 4, officer discovered Graffiti in Lot M
- Jun 5, Graffiti reported in Bldg 1
- Jun 5, Suspicious Person contacted by officer in Bldg 19
- Jun 5, officer discovered Graffiti in Bldg 19
- Jun 5, officer was dispatched to Suspicious subject at the Downtown Academy
- Jun 5, Graffiti reported in Bldg 1
- Jun 6, officer performed Welfare Check on student who was having difficulty
- Jun 6, Suspicious Person reported near Bldg 6
- Jun 6, Suspicious Activity reported on Main Campus
- Jun 6, report of Threats in the Center Bldg
- Jun 6, officer discovered Suspicious Vehicle on the west side of Main Campus
- Jun 9, report of Assault on Main Campus
- Jun 9, Harassment reported in Bldg 16
- Jun 10, Reckless Driving reported in Lot N
- Jun 10, Suspicious Person reported at DTA
- Jun 10, report of Illegal Camping on west side of Main Campus
- Jun 10, officers responded to physical dispute in Bldg 16
- Jun 12, Suspicious Person reported on near Bldg 31
- Jun 12, officers performed Welfare Check on person they believed was endangered
- Jun 12, officers responded to report of a Verbal Dispute in the Center Bldg
- Jun 12, officers discovered Suspicious Persons inside Bldg 31
- Jun 15, officers discovered bedding under stairwell near Bldg 30
- Jun 16, officers contacted Suspicious Person in Lot M
- Jun 16, victim reported Theft of keys in Lot L
- Jun 16, report of Suspicious Activity at DTA
- Jun 16, officers discovered Suspicious Conditions near Bldg 4
- Jun 16, officers discovered Suspicious Conditions in Bldg 30
- Jun 16, officer discovered Graffiti in Center Bldg
- Jun 18, officer discovered Graffiti in Bldg 18
- Jun 18, officers responded to Assault in Bldg 19
- Jun 18, officers responded to Suspicious Person call in Bldg 1
- Jun 19, report of Harassment in Titan Store
- Jun 19, report of Suspicious Person in Titan Store
- Jun 21, officer responded to report of Suspicious Person in DTA
- Jun 22, officer assisted Oregon State Police in arresting intoxicated driver in Lot A
- Jun 23, officer responded to Animal Neglect in Lot B
- Jun 23, officers responded to Threats in Center Bldg
- Jun 24, officer found "replica" handgun in bushes near the LTD Bus Loop
- Jun 24, attempted Theft in Center Bldg
- Jun 24, 2 vehicles broken into in Lot M
- Jun 24, officers assisted Suicidal Subject in Bldg 4
- Jun 24, officers responded to Animal Neglect, Lot B
- Jun 25, report of Suspicious Person, Titan Store
- Jun 25, Medical Emergency, Bldg 5
- Jun 27, officer investigated Disorderly Conduct at DTA
- Jun 29, officer discovered Graffiti in Center Ramp area
- Jun 29, officer contacted Suspicious Persons near Bldg 8

HEALTH AND SAFETY CORNER

By Officer Ben Bower,
EMT, Campus Community Emergency Response Team Leader

The sky is blue, the sun is shining, and we all want to be outdoors enjoying it. But when the weather gets nice and the temperature starts to climb, we also have to be aware of heat related illness. Sweating is a pretty common practice when you're out in the sun on a hot day. It's perfectly natural and helps the body to regulate its temperature. But it's also the first stages of what is called heat exhaustion. Heat exhaustion is caused by being exposed for prolonged periods in the direct heat and sunlight. Some of the signs and symptoms include profuse sweating, feeling tired, the skin feeling hot to the touch, and nausea. Heat exhaustion can be countered by taking frequent breaks when doing physical activity in the heat, and of course staying well hydrated. To treat it, move out of the direct sunlight to a cool place, drink cool water, and rest.

If heat exhaustion goes unnoticed or untreated, it can lead to an even more dangerous condition known as heat stroke. Heat stroke is characterized by, among other things; heavy rapid breathing, nausea and vomiting, dizziness and fainting, headache, and stopping of sweating. Heat stroke occurs when the body loses its ability to manage its core temperature. If left untreated it can lead to death. Treatment of heat stroke is similar to the treatment of heat exhaustion. Move the person into a cool area out of direct sunlight, apply damp clothes to the forehead, and have a fan blow on the person (if possible) to help cool them down. If they are conscious and able to drink without vomiting, have them sip cool water slowly to help them cool down. It's important not to cool them down too quickly, or have them drink large amounts of cold water, this can lead to the core temperature dropping quicker than the body can compensate which causes shock or even death.



One final heat related condition that most people are unaware of is called hyponatremia. Hyponatremia occurs when people drink too much water without replenishing salt or electrolytes. This causes the salt content of your body to become diluted. Sign and symptoms of hyponatremia include nausea and vomiting, headache, confusion, loss of energy, seizures, and coma. It's important that if you are going to be doing heavy physical exertion in a hot environment where you will be drinking lots of water, that you use electrolyte tablets, eat salty snacks, or drink sports drinks with electrolytes to avoid hyponatremia.

BE KIND! LEAVE YOUR DOG BEHIND!

It's HOT !!!!

**But do you know just how quickly
your car's temperature heats up?**



Vehicle Temperature

| Outside | Inside | Time to Reach |
|---------|--------|---------------|
| 75 | 100 | 10 minutes |
| 75 | 120 | 30 minutes |
| 85 | 90 | 5 minutes |
| 85 | 100 | 7-10 minutes |
| 85 | 120 | 30 minutes |
| 100 | 140 | 15 minutes |

RANDOM ACTS OF PUBLIC SAFETY, THROUGH THE EYES OF A CAMERA LENS



Officers and campus staff prepare to begin the drill (Top)



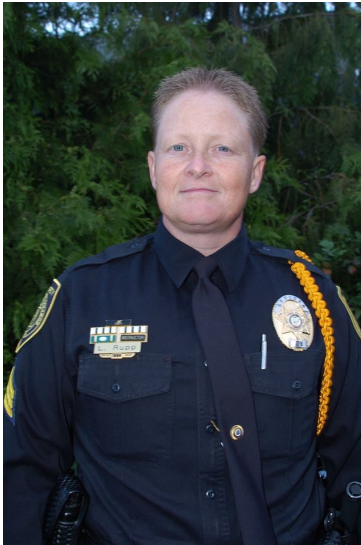
Students and staff barricade themselves in a classroom to ward off attack (Right)



LCC 2014 Graduation Security Detail. Annually, Public Safety provides several officers to patrol and provide security, each year, for spring graduation celebration at the Fairgrounds.



Officers You Should Know



Sgt. Lisa Rupp

Sgt. 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, Sgt. Rupp was a student of LCC and received her Associate of Applied Science Degree in Human Services: Criminal Justice in 2008.

Sgt. Rupp is now studying at LCC and plans to get a transfer degree to achieve her goal for a bachelor's degree.

Sgt. Rupp's true passion is to be an advocate and teacher for persons with developmental disabilities and their

families.

Sgt. Rupp has been a part of the Campus Community Emergency Response team (CERT) trained as an emergency response aid for the college and the community. She has also been a member of the Downtown Safety Committee. Rupp's accomplishments include: serving as the Scheduling Officer and Uniform and Equipment Officer, and she supervises student patrollers. She was promoted to Sergeant, earlier this year.

Sgt. Rupp was selected to be Classified Employee of the Month in November of 2013.

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

Grain of Salt

A guy was driving when a policeman pulled him over. He rolled down his window and said to the officer, "Is there a problem, Officer?"
"No problem at all. I just observed your safe driving and am pleased to award you a \$5,000 Safe Driver Award. Congratulations. What do you think you're going to do with the money?"

He thought for a minute and said, "Well, I guess I'll go get that drivers' license."

The lady sitting in the passenger seat said to the policeman, "Oh, don't pay attention to him - he's a smartass when he's drunk and stoned."

The guy from the back seat said, "I TOLD you guys we wouldn't get far in a stolen car!"

At that moment, there was a knock from the trunk and a muffled voice said, "Are we over the border yet?"



Link to Newsletter: Lanecc.edu/psd/newsletter.html

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