



# SAFER CAMPUS

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Do you want Public Safety to make a presentation to your student, staff, or faculty group? Contact Public Safety at ext. 5558. There is no charge for this service.

## A SEA OF CARS AND WAVES OF PEOPLE... AND SO IT BEGINS, AGAIN

2011/2012 Fall Term has begun! The 3% enrollment increase, brought a record number of staff, students, and visitors, as well as a multitude of cars and for some, headaches. In addition to fierce competition for limited parking spaces, Public Safety Officers responded to four reported Hit and Run incidents and towed vehicles parked in areas where they were blocking exits. Overall, however, problems were dramatically lower than previous years. Reported crimes as well as incidents involving persons, "acting out" in frustration over traffic and parking conditions were much reduced.

Facilities Management and Planning (FMP) provided nearly a dozen temporary employees to bolster the ranks of Public Safety officers assigned to the first two weeks of operations. These employees attended a traffic control training seminar, where they learned the proper, safe procedures for directing and controlling traffic. These employees directed drivers away from lots already full to available parking spaces. They also stopped traffic to allow pedestrians to safely cross busy intersections and reported problems to officers.



In spite of the record number of people entering and leaving campus, operations



ran relatively smoothly. Aside from FMP employees, student patrollers, extra Public Safety officers, and Cooperative Education Students helped improve service delivery.

The staff at Public Safety would like to thank the patience and cooperation of the campus commuters students, staff and visitors for a great start to the Fall Term!



## Officers You Should Know



### Officer Chris Hanneson

Officer Christopher M. Hanneson was born and raised in the Eugene area. He graduated from Churchill High School in 1992, and enlisted in the U.S. Navy. He was accepted into the U.S. Navy Quartermaster "A" School where he studied Naval Navigation, World Geography and the Weather.

Officer Hanneson has traveled to numerous countries and served on two separate Navel Commands. He served as a Quarter Master 3<sup>rd</sup> Class Petty Officer onboard U.S.S. Reasoner FF-1063. He then served on the Guided Missile Cruiser, U.S.S. Vincennes CG-49.

In 1996 he obtained his Honorable Discharge. Hanneson returned to Lane Community College

to study Criminal Justice.

In 1997, Officer Hanneson graduated from the Police Academy and began his law enforcement career as a Patrol Officer for Port Orford.

In 1998, Officer Hanneson accepted a Police Officer position with the city of Philomath, Oregon. He accepted a lateral transfer with Coburg Police Department in 2000. In March of 2009, Hanneson joined the Public Safety Department at Lane Community College.

Officer Hanneson currently works for two other employers. He works for EWEB as a Facility Security Officer. He also works for the Department of Homeland Security as a Federal Protection Officer.

Officer Hanneson is a founding member of Lane Public Safety's first Bike Patrol program, and also a member of the Public Safety Parking Committee and he chairs a special Public Safety research group.

In June of 1997 Officer Hanneson married his wife of 14 years, Hayley. Together, they have a beautiful daughter (Darian) and three dogs.



### Officer Ryan Sager

Officer Ryan Sager was born in Roseburg, Oregon and raised on his family's farm in Myrtle Creek. He graduated from Oakland High School.

In January of 2001, Sager enlisted in the United States Air Force and served until October of 2010 as a Combat Controller and Police Officer.

His military career took him to countries around the world, including duty stations in England, Germany, Spain, Pakistan, Turkey, Korea, and Japan. Officer Sager completed multiple combat tours in Iraq and Afghanistan. He also participated in disaster relief operations, such as Hurricane Katrina and tornado disaster relief in Oklahoma. Sager was also a part of "Operation Shining Express", a humanitarian aid/rescue effort, in Liberia, Africa during the

Liberian Civil War in 2003.

Officer Sager attended the Air University in 2004 and Austin Peay State University in 2007. He majored in Criminal Justice, with a focus on anti-terrorism and Homeland Security. Currently, he is a student at Lane Community College in the Criminal Justice Program.

In October of 2010, Officer Sager was hired by LCC Public Safety as an on-call Public Safety Officer. In June of this year, he became a member of the Department's newly-formed Bike Patrol Unit. Since he has been with the Department, Officer Sager has participated in "Preview Night" and special anti-drug operations.

He is also a member of several of the Department's operational committees and work groups.

In his free time, Officer Sager enjoys spending time with his family and fiancé' Tasha.

**On Campus  
after hours?**

**Contact Public  
Safety at 5558.**

**Thank You! -  
COPPS**



## Did You Know?

Public Safety Officers are officials of the college. As such, students, staff and visitors are required to produce identification to them if an officer requests this information. Failing to provide identification could result in Violation of the Student Code of Conduct or, in the case of a staff member, referral to Human Resources. Persons not affiliated with the college may be trespassed from all LCC properties or face criminal charges if their behavior and level of cooperation dictate it.

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### Disabled Placards

**Did you know** it's illegal to use a disabled placard that belongs to someone else?

Each term, Public Safety Officers cite dozens of drivers who utilize the placards of friends or relatives. Some of these placards were issued to persons who were *deceased* at the time the citations were issued.

In worst cases, the placards were actually stolen from the people to whom they had been issued to, people who have a demonstrated serious medical need to have them. These victims are then forced to re-apply for a new placard.

**Fines for Misuse of a Disabled Placard range from \$120 to \$540.**



### Theft From Motor Vehicles

Most Theft From Motor Vehicles occur when thieves are able to see something desirable in plain view.

Vehicles that are broken into usually have after-market stereo equipment installed (without a detachable faceplate), brief cases, wallets, purses, or lap top cases sitting inside, or other valuables such as GPS devices and radar detectors still hooked up and plainly viewable.

Thieves that “shop” for a particular vehicle typically choose cars/trucks that will yield something of value.

## Public Safety Attends S.O.A.R. For the First Time

The Public Safety Department had representatives at Student Orientation, Advising and Registration for the first time in the school's history during late summer 2011. Officer Lisa Rupp and two Public Safety student workers, Gina Walker, a student patroller and Angie Hopkins, a student office aide, passed out several thousand pieces of information to new students and answered questions on parking, safety, tobacco use, and crime prevention.

This small team, under Officer Rupp's leadership, designed and executed a large presentation board and attended the orientation each day.

“This opportunity is a great chance to meet students and show them that we have many supportive services and that we are interested in their success”, said Officer Rupp.

Public Safety will continue to commit staff and other resources to student orientation activities. This commitment, in addition to a continued presence at Lane Preview Night, helps students start a relationship with Public Safety on a positive, constructive note instead of a negative one.



Public Safety is partnering with the Criminal Justice Department to offer advanced student cooperative education positions. Students will be licensed and receive advanced officer training.

## Crime on Campus

### Select Cases on Campus August and September, 2011



Aug 2	Harassment, Center Building
Aug 3	Theft of office equipment, DTC
Aug 4	Disorderly Conduct, Bldg 5 Medical Assist, DTC
Aug 5	Theft of books, Bldg 5
Aug 8	Harassment, Center Bldg
Aug 10	Vandalism, Center Bldg
Aug 11	Disorderly Conduct, Bldg 4 Sexual Harassment, Bldg 5
Aug 12	Medical Assist, Bldg 10
Aug 16	Suspicious Conditions, Center Bldg
Aug 17	Theft of office supplies, DTC Public Indecency, Library
Aug 22	Burglary, Bldg 11 Trespass, DTC
Aug 23	Warrant Arrest, Bldg 18
Aug 30	Theft by Deception, Bldg 3

Sept 2	Warrant Arrest, Eldon Schafer
Sept 8	Vehicle Accident
Sept 9	Theft of building materials, Bldg 6 Medical Assist, Bldg 16
Sept 12	Suspicious Persons, DTC
Sept 13	Suspicious Conditions, Lot C
Sept 14	Warrant Arrest, Lot N Burglary, Bldg 17
Sept 16	Theft of supplies, DTC
Sept 18	Vehicle Accident, Center Ramp
Sept 20	Disorderly Subject, Bldg 3
Sept 21	Possession Meth, DTC
Sept 22	Warrant Arrest, Bldg 13
Sept 26	Hit and Run, Lot 1 Theft from Vehicle, Lot L
Sept 27	Found Contraband, Center Bldg Possession Marijuana, Gonyea
Sept 28	Indecent Exposure, Lot L
Sept 29	Hit and Run, Center Ramp Hit and Run, Lot N Hit and Run, Lot B Emergency Message, DTC Animal Neglect, Lot B
Sept 30	Burglary, Bldg 17

**Have a crime tip? Please  
call (541) 463-5558**

#### **Crime Tip Prevention Tip**

To prevent property being stolen, remember to keep your items within your sight *at all times!* If you have an office, and need to leave (even for a few minutes), ensure that you lock the door on your way out.

Keep vehicles locked and valuable items either stashed out of sight or left at home.

Bicycles should be locked at appropriate bike racks and items of value removed.



## **Operations Pick Up for Public Safety Officers**

Public Safety has experienced a dramatic increase in calls for service during 2011. Officer calls have shifted to a nearly constant state of activity on day shift and significantly busier rates on all other shifts, including weekend operations.

Part of the reason for the shift in calls for service may be an increase in community trust and confidence of Public Safety Officers and the Public Safety Department. More individuals are reporting criminal incidents, suspicious conditions and events, and medical calls.

With respect to the latter, Public Safety and the Health Clinic are successfully educating individuals that the correct phone number to call during any medical emergency is Ext. 5555. This has helped more individuals receive faster medical service.

Also, officers have received training so that they may more effectively exercise the full range of their responsibilities and service provisions. Officers, for example, are identifying and addressing inappropriate and criminal behavior, performing crime prevention activities, conducting investigations and the other common services that Public Safety provides.

Officers are also frequently generating their own calls by actively patrolling and through their strong commitment to community policing. The increase of Bike Patrol Unit Officers, foot patrol activity, and presentations on campus has helped individuals understand the best avenues and practices for communicating concerns to Public Safety.

As service demand and operational responsibilities increase, Lane Community College has increased the number of officers working during the week and will also provide additional officers at the new Downtown Campus.

Unfortunately, one unintended consequence of increased call volumes is that service time for more routine matters may be adversely impacted. Community members are advised that every effort will be made to respond as quickly as possible to every call. It is becoming routine for officers to move from call to call to call.

## **With a Grain of Salt**

Several years ago, Andy was sentenced to prison. During his stay, he got along well with the guards and all of his fellow inmates.

The warden saw that deep down, Andy was a good person and made arrangements for Andy to learn a trade while doing his time. After 3 years, Andy was recognized as one of the best carpenters in the local area. Often he would be given a weekend pass to do odd jobs for the citizens of the community.... and he always reported back to prison before Sunday night was over.

The warden was thinking of remodeling his kitchen and in fact had done much of the work himself. But he lacked the skills to build a set of kitchen cupboards and a large counter top which he had promised his wife. So he called Andy into his office and asked him to complete the job for him.

But, alas, Andy refused.

He told the warden, "Gosh, I'd really like to help you but counter fitting is what got me into prison in the first place".





## OPERATION DRUG TAKE BACK



### LCC Public Safety Chief Jace Smith

On October 29, LCC Public Safety participated in its second “Drug Take Back” event since April of this year. The event, sponsored by the Federal Drug Enforcement Administration, allows the public to bring in expired or unneeded medications for proper disposal.

According to Public Safety Chief Jace Smith, “This is a needed service. Many people don’t have any idea of how to get rid of their unwanted or unused prescription drugs. They do know it’s inappropriate to put them in the waste stream, so this really solves the problem for a lot of folks”.

Officers Hanneson and Clements assisted with this community event.

During this week’s event, more than ten cardboard boxes (estimated at more than 300 lbs) were filled to capacity with various medicines. This is more than twice as much as was collected in April. This event was free of charge and open to the general public.

**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](mailto:thomasc@lanecc.edu). - Sergeant Chantal Thomas, Editor in Chief**

The DEA will conduct take-back events every six months while it researches new processes to safely dispose of prescription medications. In 2010, a law passed, that cleared the way for the DEA to devise these processes.



### Radios, Communication and Frequencies OH MY! By Officer Lisa Rupp, PS1

Public Safety has been working hard on maintaining and improving operational communication capacity and security. This process has been ongoing since 2006 when Public Safety learned about the FCC mandate to switch to “narrow band” radio by January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013. Generally, narrowband describes telecommunication that carries voice information in a narrow band within frequencies. More specifically, the term has been used to describe a specific frequency range set aside by the U.S. FCC for mobile or radio services.

The effort to improve radio communication has been approached in a variety of ways. In 2008, for example, Officer (now Sergeant) Harris applied for a Department of Homeland Security grant for “narrow band”, digitally encrypted radios. Public Safety received grant funds and in 2009 purchased 4 portable radios for officers and 2 mobile radios for the patrol vehicles.

Chief Smith has worked with a local collaborative of law enforcement agencies and is expected to receive additional radios this fall/winter from another law enforcement Homeland Security grant.

Today, Sergeant Harris is working with a local vender to obtain a separate, more secure radio frequency for the Public Safety Department. Public Safety currently shares frequencies with other departments on campus. That makes it impossible for sensitive information to be securely broadcast. “A frequency pair has been found and is in the process of being approved by the FCC.” said Sergeant Harris.

In addition, Harris is leading a research project to expand *direct* communication capabilities with the Goshen Fire Department and the Oregon State Police. This would add to the Eugene City Police, Springfield city Police and Lane County Sheriff Department direct communication capabilities that Public Safety already utilizes.

