

Full-Time Faculty Report

November 13, 2017

Sheryl Caddy – Nursing Faculty – on Monday, November 13, was appointed by Governor Brown and officially confirmed by the Senate as the education representative to the Oregon State Board of Nursing.

Cindy Falk - Health and Human Performance Faculty, Association President – on behalf of the faculty who attended the OGSP forum, would like to thank Chris Ruderman for being diligent in his request and HR in honoring the request in gathering interest in the potential of offering this retirement option to the LB community.

Jayne Frazier – Health and Human Performance Faculty, Volleyball Coach – The LBCC volleyball team ended regular season with a 31-8 record. They will enter the NWAC tournament, Thursday, November 16, as the number 2 seed from the Southern region playing Lower Columbia, the number 3 seed from the Western region. Game time is 4:30 and can be seen in-person at the Tacoma Convention Center in Tacoma, Washington, or viewed live stream at www.nwacsports.org.

Multiple players were recognized with all-league honors:

Southern region 1st team - Montanna Gubrud and Grace Phillips

Southern region 2nd team: Sara Fanger

Honorable mention: Jeneya Wright

All 4 sophomores, Katie Allen, Kyleene Briggs, Montanna Gubrud and Sara Fanger, will represent LBCC and the Southern region in the All-star match Sunday, November 19, unless they are representing LB in the championship match. These same four sophomores were also recognized for their scholastic achievements being honored with the NWAC All-Academic award for attaining at least a 3.25 gpa.

Raymond Ocampo – Music Faculty – reports that the internationally acclaimed vocal ensemble, Voces8, visited Albany/Corvallis this month. The LBCC choral program was able to bring in a co-founder of the group, Paul Smith, to work with the choirs. He is a well-regarded clinician and music educator who worked with the choirs when they performed in Germany. The students had a blast working with him and he brought some amazing insight into the music we make.

Barry Payton – Heavy Equipment and Diesel Technology Faculty – is excited to report a multitude of opportunities LB is enjoying in its partnership with John Deere:

- LBCC is one of only 7 schools in the nation that is sponsored by John Deere Corporate,
- John Deere Corporate is sending a film crew to Lebanon, to produce the next generation marketing video for their Construction and Forestry Division. This is to occur the week after Thanksgiving,
- John Deere Corporate is sponsoring Mandatory Training for all Construction and Forestry instructors this summer. Further details to follow, but training will last 7-10 days,

- John Deere Corporate Headquarters in Illinois is entertaining the concept of having LBCC instruct a John Deere training cohort for their John Deere students. The idea is to teach only John Deere courses to only John Deere students using only John Deere equipment.

In addition, Alternate Fuels is rapidly developing the Electronic Vehicle Hybrid training program and is contracted to convert two more municipalities' vehicles to compressed natural gas. Both should be online in the near future. One of these trucks will be showcased in the Christmas Lights Parade. Stay tuned for date and time.

Stefan Seiter – Horticulture Faculty – reports that the Horticulture and the Profitable Small Farms programs are supporting a veteran, Lisa Akers, in establishing a veterans' garden at LBCC. She received a community grant from the Home Depot Foundation, which involved a materials donation worth \$15,000 and 30 Home Depot staff volunteers. The volunteers, under the direction of the Albany Home Depot store manager, worked to build a shed, a greenhouse and 10 raised beds. The story was featured in the Albany Democrat Herald Saturday, November 4. Stefan envisions his students working closely with veterans on campus in establishing this garden as a therapeutic repast. Maybe these veterans will find a new business venture for themselves and enroll in the classes of the Small Farms program!

Dan Stone – Theater Faculty – continues his work in the partnership with the Oregon Coast Aquarium in the creation of a full-length children's play about the sea life off the Oregon coast and its relationship to pollution and climate change. The 2019 winter season of the Children's Theater will feature the play's debut.