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Marcene Olsen and Sam van Teijn practice counter blocking.

KEEPING LB'S CAMPUS SAFE

LBCC Public Safety Officers meet for refresher in de-escalation techniques

Sam van Teijn was thrown face-down onto the blue mat while an attentive crowd watched.

Van Teijn and about nine of LB's other public safety officers gathered in the Activities Center on Tuesday, April 11, at 2:30 p.m. for their monthly meeting, along with Marcene Olson, LBCC's Director of Safety and Loss Prevention.

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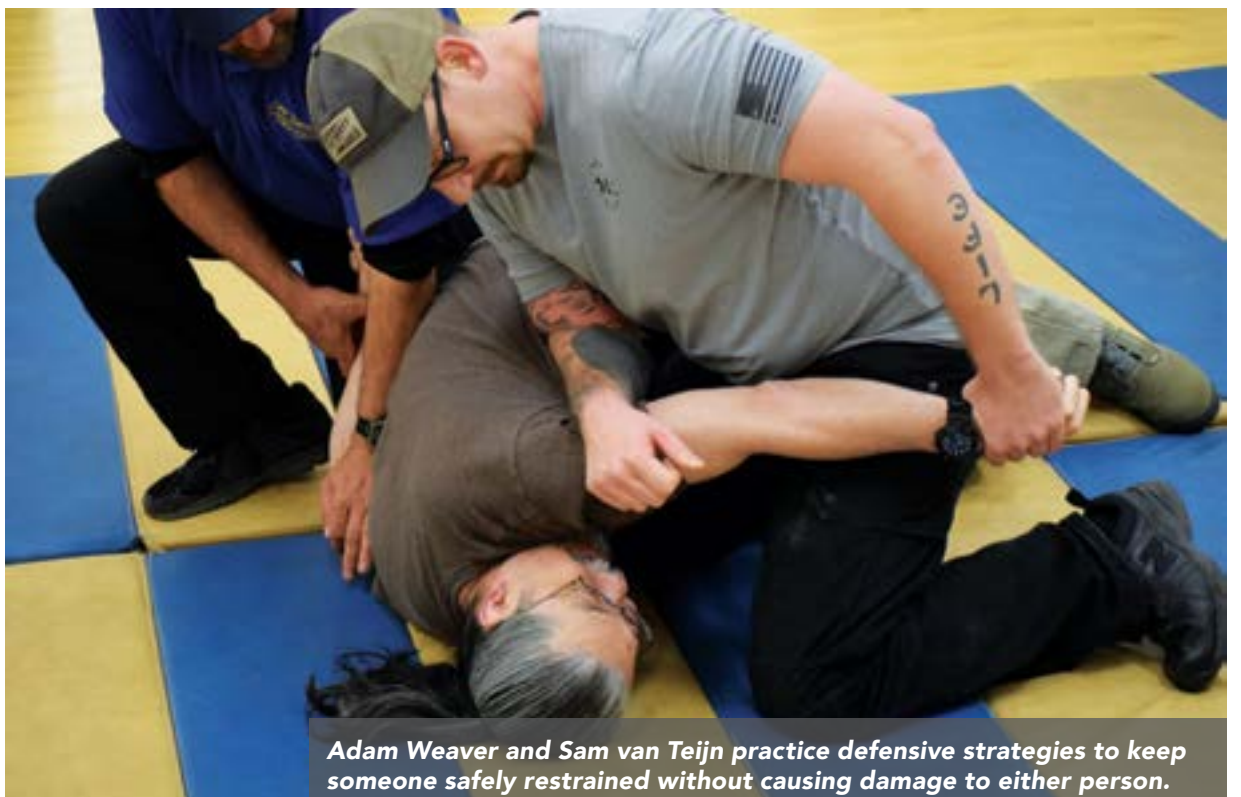
“Our policy is to avoid physical altercation,” said Olson, who oversaw and participated in the refresher.

Olson hopes that trainings like these can aid the officers whenever an altercation arises on campus.

De-escalation trainings are real-life scenarios practiced to teach officers how to “verbally [be] able to control the subject,” before situations escalate to physicality.

Meetings like these help the officers “build comradery,

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Adam Weaver and Sam van Teijn practice defensive strategies to keep someone safely restrained without causing damage to either person.



**EPA CUTS
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Funding changes to the EPA may affect Oregon's hazardous waste sites.

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confidence, and [teach them to] defend themselves if they have to, or somebody else," said Olson.

This month, the two-and-a-half hour meeting consisted of the officers pairing up and practicing personal self defense and verbal de-escalation techniques as a refresher. Initially, the meeting was supposed to consist of members of the Black Curtain Society verbally screaming at the officers so they could practice non-violent de-escalation techniques. The students from BCS did not attend, but the officers wasted no time beginning their refresher training.

The meeting began promptly by forming four pairs led by LB Public Safety Officer Chris Matson. Matson dove right into showing the rest of the team a maneuver that would help them apprehend a physically violent subject. Once he went through the motions, the other officers were asked to practice on each other and mimic what he had shown them.

This went on for the remainder of the course, teaching and critiquing different maneuvers that help activate muscle memory.

"I teach what's called real-world self-defense," said Matson, "I have an answer for every bad situation."

The self-defense that Matson teaches here on campus is not just for officers

"I have an answer for every bad situation."

on duty; he is looking to start a self defense class that will be open to administrators and students.

"I always have an open door, open question policy," said Matson. "Anybody can always come to me."

Bernita Rose, an LBCC administrative secretary who's been with LB for 10 years, and working in public safety for five, was also in the training.

Although she is not an officer, Rose believes that meetings like this are beneficial for her, not only as an administrator, but as a woman. "I want to be able to defend myself," said Rose, "As a woman, you can't be without them [self-defense training]."



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MIKEL LETELIER CIVIL ENGINEER

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EPA CUTS Hit Close To Home

PHOTO: K. RAMBO

Sign warning visitors of toxic water at Talking Water Gardens.

Linn and Benton Counties depend on EPA to monitor toxic sites

A 7000-volt electrified fence, marked with bright yellow warning signs, formed the barrier between the ATI Wah Chang and the Cox Creek.

ATI Wah Chang in Millersburg, Oregon in Linn County, formerly known as Teledyne Wah Chang, is listed as one of the “nation’s most contaminated hazardous waste sites.” The EPA describes the site as “contaminated by wastes from a metals production plant, including radionuclides and volatile organic compounds. These contaminants impacted site groundwater, sediments, and soils”

President Trump recently proposed a budget that would cut 31 percent of the funding for the EPA. The Environmental Protection Agency is tasked with enforcing environmental standards and regulations but a lesser-known function of the EPA is toxic cleanups and monitoring.

While the EPA is a federal agency, 29 toxic cleanup and monitoring projects in the state of Oregon are operated by the EPA, with over \$1 billion allocated to their efforts on the Portland Harbor alone. Among the abandoned mines, factories, and grain facilities are 18 sites listed on the National Priorities List (NPL) described by the EPA as a “list of national priorities among the known releases or threatened releases of hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants throughout the United States and its territories.”

\$32.6 million has already been paid in compensation by ATI Wah Chang, including \$2.3 million in medical costs alone.

Testing of watersheds surrounding ATI Wah Chang showed a consistent presence of contamination in fish in

1991. A recommendation was made by the Oregon DHS to retest in 2008, although it remains unclear if a second study was ever completed.

Although work was done in the 1990’s to excavate the contaminated soils and remove groundwater, the site is still currently monitored by the EPA and a report in 2013 recommended the use of additional technology, as the previous remedy had proven unsuccessful for containing contamination.

With the proposed cuts at the EPA, funding for the projects may very well be in jeopardy. EPA Media Contact Mark Macintyre described the budget as a “particularly thorny subject.” Macintyre declined to comment while awaiting approval from the D.C. office.

“As a policy, we don’t speculate on budget issues,” said Macintyre.

One site on the NPL is the former locale of Universal Chrome Products, Inc. in Corvallis, Oregon. Pollutants from the chrome plating facility leaked into the 2.5 acres it operated on from 1956 to 1985. The ground was contaminated with chromium, which causes rupturing of the blood cells, liver failure, cancer, and allergic reactions.

The EPA removed the chromium-contaminated liquids in 1985, but it was not until 2000 that the City of Corvallis began removing contaminated soil. Groundwater extraction ended in 2004, but according to the EPA, an isolated portion of the site’s groundwater is still contaminated.

Eva DeMarie, an EPA project manager at the United Chrome site for the past year, declined to comment without first speaking to a PR person at the EPA. Before DeMarie declared herself unable to comment, she stated that the City of Corvallis pays for monitoring but the EPA pays her and other project manager’s salaries with federal money. DeMarie chose not to speculate on the possible outcomes of no longer having EPA funding to monitor the site, but did confirm that there is still contamination present.



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Rear view of the ATI Wah Chang Facility

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MORE THAN JUST A NAME

Former SLC candidates speak about their election losses and future hopes for LBCC

When Linn-Benton Community College elected Brian Ixtlahuac as next year's president of the Associated Students of LBCC (ASLBCC), the decision left fellow candidates Areli Zapien and Conner Hibbs to lick their wounds in private. Post-election coverage and appreciation are usually reserved for the winner, and it's not uncommon for runner-ups to be forgotten in the process, even by former supporters. While their run for office may be at an end, however, their stories and policies are not.

The blow came in late February after a week-long struggle between the trio, punctuated by two consecutive debates and subdued campaign efforts. In order to raise awareness, Zapien manned a table with Justen Noll, the vice president-elect, at the Benton Center on at least one occasion and spread the word among friends. Hibbs announced his candidacy through posters.

In the end, Ixtlahuac prevailed, but he was not without words of affirmation for his fellow competitors.

"My first impression of the two candidates was overwhelming because they both had a lot of experience in being a leader and having a drive of self-determination," said Ixtlahuac. "When it comes to their ideas and policies, I thought they were amazing. I agreed with every idea and policy they spoke upon. I did not disagree with any of their ideas because to some extent we all had the same ideas to bring to LBCC."

Though Ixtlahuac held leadership roles in high school, such as Corvallis High School's Co-Student Body President, he admitted he was still nervous about his chances. Zapien and Hibbs, he believed, were formidable and diverse opponents, and their unique majors, pre-med and biology respectively, only added to their already impressive qualifications.

"I got a really good impression off of Areli right away as someone who's a really caring individual, really kind of a warm person, a team player," said Noll.

Describing Zapien as an "easy-going person," Noll said one of her strengths as a candidate was her ability to both emphasize and establish good rapport with fellow LBCC students.

As for Hibbs, Noll said that while he didn't have the chance to talk with him as much as Ixtlahuac or Zapien, he could tell the 23-year-old was intelligent, and thought his answers during the debates were "articulate and well-thought out." Noll commented that Hibbs was also polite, formal, and "very mild-mannered."

What, then, went wrong for the two candidates?

"I didn't try as hard as I should have," said Zapien, with a sheepish smile. "I didn't have enough time to campaign, because it was set right before finals, so I just spread the word and voiced myself ... I didn't really take the time to make posters, sit down at tables on Albany camp sites. I didn't do any of that stuff that others did."

Justen Noll pointed to the debates as Hibbs' downfall. "I think he kind of struggled a little, and I think he over-prepared. I think he kind of over-analyzed and tried to do too much. Based off of how I talked with him in person, it didn't match up with how he performed in the debates." According to Noll, his answers didn't always reflect the questions asked.

Even though the runner-ups would have done a few things differently if given a second chance, Hibbs and Zapien were not without their own political and social visions for Linn-Benton Community College.

In his opinion, Noll believed Zapien had several great



SLC presidential runner-up Ariel Zapien and VP Justen Noll

ideas for campus improvement, one of which was to develop a strong correspondence between the OSU and LBCC's student governments. The policy may even be adopted the following school year, he said.

According to Zapien, another one of her goals was to promote more diversity on campus and to unify the school, using methods such as the establishment of a women's organization and organization of cultural events. The women's organization would provide support and services to female students in need.

As Hibbs could not be reached for comment, little is known about many of his original policies. However, from what he observed at the debate, Noll said his ideas were broad and touched mainly on Linn-Benton's academic sphere. Like Zapien, he also discussed improving school unity and what he might bring personally to the position if elected.

"I wasn't very surprised," Zapien said, in regards to her loss. She described the feeling as "neutral," and admitted that her true purpose for participating in the election was to put herself out there.

"If I won, that would have been the best thing ever," she said with a laugh. "But if I didn't, that would be okay, too, because it [still] would have been an open door for me to be more involved."

In Zapien's eyes, it wasn't so much a failed attempt, but a learning experience.

"I think I underestimated myself," she said. "I thought I would come out with two votes or something. I kind of realized that people did really believe in me; even people that don't know me."

Zapien also encourages her peers to chase after any potential leadership position that interests them, as the mere application process "can open up new opportunities, regardless of the outcome". Next fall she starts her first term as the one of the Leadership Council's Executive Assistants.

If Zapien's story is any indication, is there really only one victor in any given election?

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MEGAN STEWART



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Jack Bauer celebrates with his team after a home run.

Two-Out Wonders

Roadrunners dominate with two outs and no room for mistakes

Currently 20-6, the Roadrunners went 2-0 in a double header against Clark College on Friday, April 14.

In game one the boys played it close, with a final score of 1-0, but they won a landslide victory in game two with a score of 10-5.

The Roadrunners fell behind early in game two by a deficit of 3-1, until Caleb Smith hit a double in the third, bringing in two of his teammates. The team later gained the lead in the fifth inning when Jack Bauer hit a solo home run. Defense was able to hold the Penguins from doing much after the third inning, and the Roadrunners began to soar in the sixth inning with a whopping 6 runs.

This may sound like an average day on the field for LB, but it was far from such. Nine of the team's runs came on two separate occasions when they were sitting on the edge with two outs. The team played with a "don't be that guy" mindset when they were up to bat, because they knew one more out would end the inning, giving the Penguins a chance to score.

Tremendous efforts by Tate Cowden, Josh Congdon,

LBCC Baseball Schedule		
April 21	vs. Lane at LBCC	1 p.m. and 4 p.m.
April 22	vs. Lane in Eugene	1 p.m. and 4 p.m.
April 28	vs. Mt. Hood in Gresham	1 p.m. and 7 p.m.
April 29	vs. Mt. Hood at LBCC	1 p.m. and 4 p.m.

and Logan Meadows contributed to their success on the field. Friday's game was an extraordinary example of teamwork.

They also played Clark at Tigard HS on Saturday, April 15. The Roadrunners domination continued with a score of 6-0 in game one and 2-0 in game two, pushing them to sweep the Penguins in the four-game series. In their next game, the Roadrunners will take on Lane at

home on April 21 at 1 p.m., and hope to keep their momentum going.

STORY AND PHOTOS BY
QUENTIN JEANS



Cole Carder with a beautiful swing



MOVIE PREVIEW:

Thor: Ragnarok

PRODUCTION: Marvel Studios/
Walt Disney Pictures

STARRING: Chris Hemsworth, Tom Hiddleston, Cate Blanchett, Karl Urban, Idris Elba, Jeff Goldblum and Mark Ruffalo

DIRECTED BY: Taika Waititi

GENRE: Action, Adventure, Fantasy

RATED: Not yet rated

RELEASE DATE: November 3, 2017

PREVIEW BY **STEVEN PRYOR**

This year will see the release of three new entries in the highly-acclaimed and massively-successful Marvel Cinematic Universe. While the summer will have “Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2” on May 5 and “Spider-Man Homecoming” on July 7, this November will see one of the biggest films in the series yet: “Thor: Ragnarok.”

The film will be the third standalone entry in the series after the first film in 2011 and “Thor: The Dark World” in 2013. With the two previous films being surprise critical and commercial successes, director Taika Waititi looks to expand on the elements of previous films as well as further prime the character for his appearance in “Avengers: Infinity War,” in 2018.

After the events of “Avengers: Age of Ultron,” Thor (Chris Hemsworth) has returned to his homeworld of Asgard. His joy is short-lived, however, when the

villainess Hela (Cate Blanchett) destroys his hammer, Mjolnir, and begins laying waste to Asgard, going so far as to capture Thor and sell him into gladiatorial combat. Under the eyes of the Grandmaster (Jeff Goldblum), Thor must engage in combat to win his freedom from the planet of Sakaar -- even against his friend the Incredible Hulk (Mark Ruffalo).

If the scenario described in the last paragraph sounds totally bonkers, you’d be right. The Marvel Cinematic Universe has never shied away from embracing the completely insane nature of its source material, and the film looks to be one of the most delightfully mad entries in the franchise yet. In addition to previous cast members reprising their roles, such as Tom Hiddleston as Loki and Idris Elba as Heimdall, the film will also add newcomers to the fray such as Karl Urban as the Asgardian warrior Skurge.

With the holiday season looking to have every bit as many anticipated films as summer, “Thor: Ragnarok” should easily build on the success of the previous films as well as bring more than enough to the table to suit its totally bananas first trailer. Since the trailer was uploaded to YouTube (set to a thunderous use of “Immigrant Song” by Led Zeppelin), it has been viewed a record 29 million times. If the full film is every bit as gleefully bananas as its teaser, it will easily be the best “Thor” film yet. Keep an eye out when “Thor: Ragnarok” arrives in theaters for “main event time” on November 3.

A HISTORIC NBA SEASON

Westbrook puts forth an season

Seventy-one years; that’s how long the National Basketball Association has been around for. Throughout that time the league has produced some of the world’s greatest and most famous athletes such as Michael Jordan, Magic Johnson, Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Larry Bird and Shaquille O’Neal; yet none of them have had a season like Russell Westbrook just had.

We have to go back 55 years to see a player who put up the same statistical outburst that Westbrook did this year. In the 1961-62 NBA season Oscar Robertson averaged a triple-double, with the statline of 30.8 points, 12.5 rebounds and 11.4 assists.

Even though this era of the NBA plays a far faster pace, nobody since Robertson had been able to achieve such an incredible feat — that was, until Westbrook did. In the 2016-17 NBA season Westbrook averaged 31.6 points, 10.7 rebounds, and 10.4 assists per game.

Not only did Westbrook average a triple-double for the second time in history, he also beat the record for number of triple-doubles in a single season with 42. Out of the thousands of players who have played in the NBA, including the best of the best, no one has done what Westbrook did this year.

Following the departure of superstar Kevin Durant to the Golden State Warriors, it was clear that Westbrook was in line for an outstanding statistical season. However, the prediction of some that Westbrook could average a triple-double for an entire season left many skeptical.

In the 2015-16 season while Durant was injured most of the year, Westbrook averaged 24, 8, and 10. Those numbers alone could be seen as all-time great; no one could have predicted that Westbrook would then improve on such a good season.

Westbrook lead the Oklahoma City Thunder to the sixth seed in the Western Conference, with a record of 47-35. Westbrook also lead the league in player efficiency rating (PER), in points per game, and was also third in assists per game.

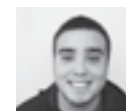
As historic a season as Westbrook has had, it was not met without some controversy. Throughout the season it seemed Westbrook made it his mission to average a triple-double, and his teammates seemed willing to help tip the stats in his favor. Westbrook lead the league in rebounds coming off of missed free-throws, showcasing



the fact that his teammates were leaving them for him. He also placed last in the NBA in contested shots at one point. This is another sign that he was doing so to increase his rebounding numbers. Westbrook was second in the NBA in turnovers per game, second to last in field goal percentage among point guards, and also took nearly 1,000 more shot attempts than the second place player on his own team.

However, it is hard to argue against his case for winning the regular season MVP trophy. Whether or not he padded his stats, his team was 33-9 when he had a triple double. He lead his team to the sixth best record in the west, when no one thought they would make the playoffs before the season started. Westbrook also did so with one of the weakest supporting casts in the league right now, as far as playoff teams are concerned. Although James Harden, LeBron James, and Kawhi Leonard might have had more efficient and meaningful seasons, Westbrook deserves to win the MVP for his incredible season. Westbrook and the Thunder are currently in the first round of the playoffs against James Harden and the

Houston Rockets, with the second game set for April 19 at 5 p.m.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

April 19

President's Spring Forum

- LBCC Forum 104, 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

April 20

Earth Day Fair

- Main campus courtyard. From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Corvallis Repertory Singers and OSU Music concert

- Joint concert that is a West Coast Premiere and will be recorded for release by Marks Records of Clarence, NY. Tickets are \$18 to \$25, in the OSU LaSells Stewart Center's Austin Auditorium

West Albany High School Musical

- West Albany High School Cafeteria. 7 p.m., doors open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets \$10 at door

April 21

Inservice

College closed to public

Home Baseball game

- Home vs. Lane CC Double Header 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

West Albany High School Musical

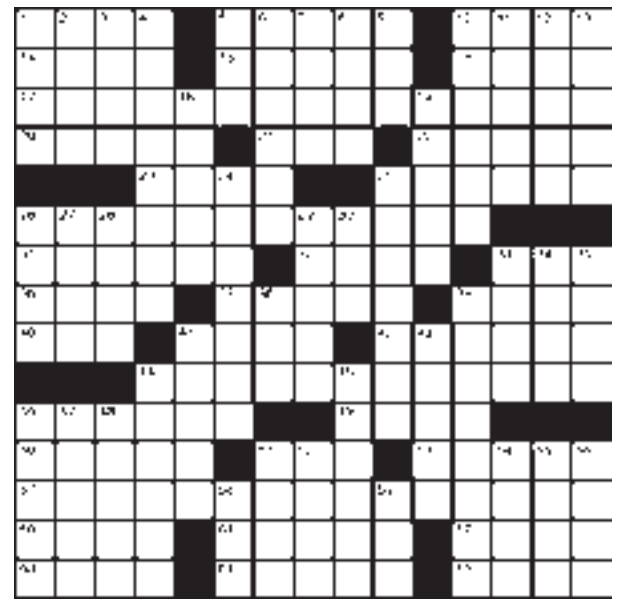
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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

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 - 5 Off-the-wall play
 - 10 "... baked in ..."
 - 14 An awfully long time
 - 15 Meter reading
 - 16 Without
 - 17 Glowing sugar cube?
 - 20 Electrical pioneer whose last known U.S. patent was for a helicopter-plane
 - 21 A soprano one has short strings
 - 22 Team competition
 - 23 Ant who sings
 - 25 Some film-book relationships
 - 26 Campaign to raise mailing fees?
 - 31 Forearm bones
 - 32 Cyclotron bits
 - 33 Convenience store convenience
 - 36 Clinches
 - 37 Polynesian porch
 - 39 Tennis coups
 - 40 Cow or sow
 - 41 Tax that funds Soc. Sec.
 - 42 More patrician
 - 44 Easy strikeout victim?
 - 46 Field of plants?
 - 49 Regarding
 - 50 Somewhat inclined
 - 51 Outback runner
 - 53 Goof
 - 57 Wedding song for Ivana or Maria?
 - 60 Mall map word
 - 61 Discourage
 - 62 Cheeseboard choice
 - 63 While lead-in
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 - 65 Lairs

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- 1 Bonkers
 - 2 People-watch inappropriately
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By Jeff Stillman

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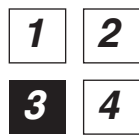
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MEMORIES OF TYGER

Students and staff gather to honor student veteran Tom Tyger

Last Thursday, LBCC students and staff loomed around a makeshift memorial site to pay their final respects.

On April 14 at 4:30 p.m. near LBCC's Forum building, a memorial was held for Tom Tyger. Around 50 students, staff, and faculty gathered to pay tribute to Tyger, as well as local veterans and Tyger's family.

LBCC Instructor Mark Urista welcomed family and friends before student veteran John Maine started the memorial by leading the Posting of the Colors. The memorial's invocation was led by Chaplain Floyd Bacon, and then LBCC President Greg Hamann took the floor to remember Tyger.

"There is no understanding the situation when we suffer such a loss, but I do believe we need each other," said Hamann.

After Hamann was done speaking, the LBCC men's choir, Blue Light Special, sang "Amazing Grace," while members of the Veteran's Club lit and passed out candles to other attendees.

Justen Noll, leader of the LBCC Active Minds Club, spoke about the Active Minds Club and available services, followed by Urista, who shared memories of Tyger.

"He always voted for the underdog," said Urista. "In class, he always voted for the group that had the least chance of winning."

Urista's speech inspired several more attendees to stand up and recount their favorite memories of Tyger, eliciting both laughter and tears from the audience. Albany's American Legion presented the flag to Tyger's family, while John Maine spoke again to send out the final role call and the retirement of colors.

After the memorial, people lingered to leave final notes or flowers for the family and talk more. Refreshments were available in the Hot Shot Cafe, and people lingered to recount memories and remember how much Tyger meant to them.



PHOTOS: ELLIOT POND
Members of the LBCC's men's choir sing "Amazing Grace."

At a Glance

If you would like to send anything to Tyger's family, contact John Maine at: johnmaine50@gmail.com



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- Lunch at the "Earth Day Caffe"
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Greg Hamann speaks at the memorial service