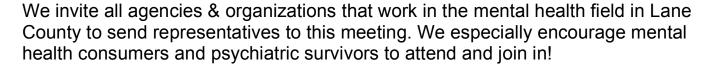
Announcing: The Opal Network\*

We are a Lane County network to support the voice, self-determination and empowerment of <u>mental health</u> clients. Join us! All are welcome.

When: 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm Tuesday, January 29, 2008

Where: Tykeson Room
Eugene Public Library Main Building
100 W. 10th Ave., Eugene
(Seating limited to the first 56 people, so come early!!)



Discuss and plan how we can all unite to support people diagnosed with a psychiatric disability in Lane County to address: • discrimination • human rights • the need for alternatives • advocacy • homelessness • police training • public education • and other concerns. Free event. Snacks are involved.

Wheelchair accessible. Sign language interpreter if given 72 hours notice.

Co-facilitators: Youth Leaders Martin Rafferty and Chrissy Peirsol
Co-sponsoring groups so far include: United Way 100% Access Alternatives
Subcommittee, Lane Independent Living Alliance (LILA), City of Eugene
Subcommittee on Human Rights and Mental Health, Laurel Hill Center Client
Council, ShelterCare, MindFreedom Lane County, Lane County Mental Health
Consumer/Survivor Advisory Council, OFSN, Life & Universe, White Bird,
Trauma Healing Project, SAFE/Wonderland, Center for Family Development,
Direction Service and Siuslaw Outreach Services.

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\*This new alliance in Lane County is named after Opal Whiteley (1897 - 1992). Opal was a famous author with a psychiatric diagnosis who lived in Lane County.

