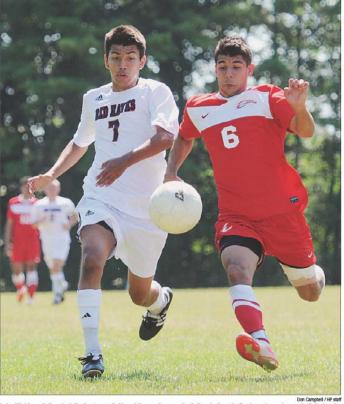
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Don Campbell / HP staff
Lake Michigan College's Julio Contreras (left) and Owens Community College's Agustin Bonjour chase down a ball during the

soccer debut

Lake Michigan College teams take the field for the first time

BY JOE FRIES HP Sports Writer

BENTON TOWNSHIP — In the midst of construction equipment being used as part of the campus' expansion, Lake Michigan College took another large step forward on Saturday afternoon.

Administrators, parents and students lined the sidelines to support the newest RedHawks as the inaugural men's and women's socer matches were played against Owens Community College.

The men's team opened play with a full squad of freshmen, most of whom are recent, local high school graduates. The team had little time to get settled in as it faced an Owens team which is ranked in the top 30 nationally.

Early game jitters were evident for the RedHawks, but goalkeeper Danny Martinez did his part to keep the game close as Owens controlled the game for most of the first half in the 4-2 victory over LMC.

Down 2-0 in the S8th minute, Lakeshore graduate Tyler LaLonde etched his name in the Lake Michigan College record books as the first



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Lake Michigan College's Skylar Cooper (right) tries to push past Owens Community
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College's Elizabeth Theaker during the first half of Saturday's game.

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goal scorer in school histo-

In the 79th minute, La-Londe added another to tie the game at two. Ross Smith assisted on both LaLonde goals.

Owens netted two goals in the final ten minutes to put the game away, but RedHawks coaches Jeremy and Jason Woolery felt as though his players and the school accomplished a great deal.

"I'm ecstatic with the way things went today and I'm so excited I can barely put words together," said Jason Woolery. "I couldn't be happier with the way this has gone and everyone, from the administration to the parents to the athletes, has been so supportive and this day has been a culmination of all the support and hard work we've put in."

The women's team, also coached by the Woolery done over the years.

"This is a huge opportu-



Lake Michigan College's Tyler LaLonde tries to slip a shot past Owens Community College's keeper during the second half of Saturday's game.

Cooper, "Having our first dirt being moved around brothers, gave up four goals men's and women's soccer which will be our new stuin the first half and lost 5-0. games while being sur- dent residence hall set to be Although the first half was rounded by the construc- ready for fall of 2014. We're tough for the newly con- tion of our new dorms gives excited about that and it is structed team, it improved us a glimpse of what the fu-symbolic of what this day as time went on, just as the ture holds for the student- represents. It represents stuschool it represents has athletes and the community dent athletes that are able to we care about so much."

pursue two passions at once, "Lake Michigan College both the passion to pursue nity for us at Lake Michi-gan College because it rep-resents how far we've come," student services. "Right be-said athletic director Jason hind you, you'll see some soccer."

Men Owens Community College 4, Lake Michigan College 2

Goals - Owens: Campbell, Martin, Whittaker, Gentles. LMC: LaLonde (2) Assists — Owens: Bonjour (2), Martin, Whittaker, Gentles. LMC: Smith (2) Saves - Owens: Wicher 5, LMC: Martinez 9. Halftime — Owens 2-0.

Women Owens Community College 5, Lake Michigan College 0 Burkholder (2), Grindle, Gasser,

Goals -Powell. **Assists**

Saves

- Owens: Brinkman 1, LMC: Nemeth 10.

Halftime - Owens 4-0.

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