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real taste of wildlife when I encountered Canadian Geese and a smattering of ducks. Signs reading "Sensitive Wildlife Nesting Area" were posted. Plants strategically adorn the pond bank in order to keep the hill from eroding.

Standing over the small foot-bridge, I spotted litter in the sanctuary and pondered crossing the line to remove it. Two elderly folks recommended otherwise, saying the action might be construed as something other than humanitarian.

Bullard stated that in addition to the aforementioned wildlife, other nesting birds, such as osprey, can

be spotted at times.

All and all, my friend and I ended up riding about 13 miles by the time we reached his house on the outskirts of campus. My only regret was not having more time to stop and experience everything I saw.

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Flight

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of their interest in learning to fly. This lesson includes a brief ground school lesson and a review of the flight controls while in the cockpit. According to Preziose, the student will then start the engine, taxi to the runway, take off, fly around the area and land under an instructor's supervision.

The rates for About Time Aviation range anywhere from \$39 for the discovery flight to an estimated \$6000 for full private pilot training certification — this includes virtually every facet of the program such as aircraft rental and textbooks.

Lane Community College also of-

fers private and professional pilot training. Students can even earn an Associate of Science degree through the school's Flight Technology program.

The school prides itself on the program's safety record. According to the LCC Web site, in June of 1998, the school received an award from the Federal Aviation Administration for completing 200,000 consecutive hours and 25 million miles of professional flight training since 1967 without a single injury accident.

The estimated cost of completion of private pilot lessons at LCC is around \$4000.

When all the more practical bases are covered, perhaps a little more

flashy flight training is desired. For this, Wingover Aerobatics — satisfying the aviation-as-entertainment aspect of flying — may provide the needed rush. This establishment, located at Creswell Airport, offers aerobatic rides and instructions.

From the easy-going relaxation of the ultralight to the hard-core adrenaline rush of aerobatics, flight training in Eugene is more accessible than some might think. And once the novice has been bitten by the bug, there may be no end to the adventure. Perhaps Randy Vyff put it best: "Once they do it once, most people are hooked."

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