

Farming contest slated for April

By Darren MacFarlane
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The Oregon Association of Future Farmers of America will be conducting their annual contests on April 28, hosted by the Clackamas Community College agriculture department and the Ag. Business Club.

FFA chapters from all over the state will be participating during the contest, the first one to be held at CCC.

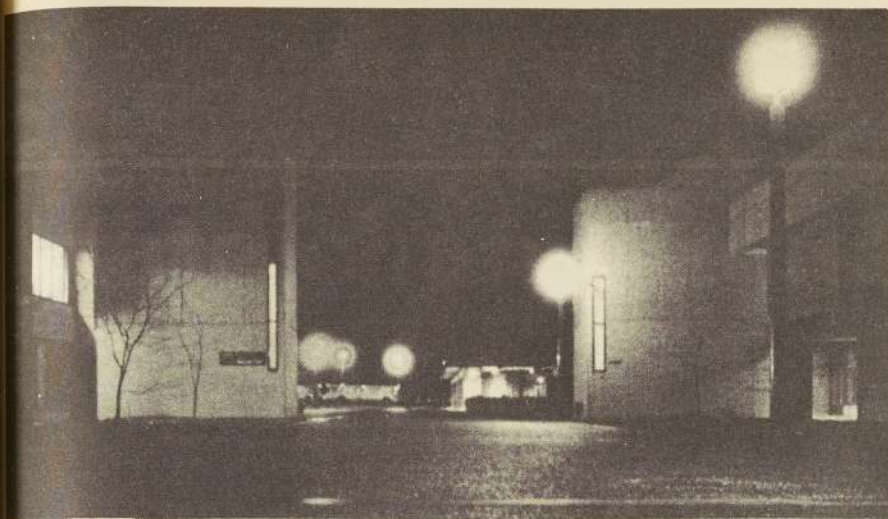
The tournament will consist of an Ag. mechanics contest chaired by Bill Sherman and Ken Evans; crops division, to be run by Leanna King and Dave Jensen; farm business management, to be conducted by Ted Urich and Burch Guild; meats contest, to be run by Reed Capbell and Jim Newby. For the first time in Oregon FFA history, a poultry class will be held, hosted by Darren MacFarlane and George Shay.

The ag. mechanics contest will consist of a written test, problem solving, demonstration of skills in gas welding, tool reconditioning, electric

motors, electric wiring, combine maintenance and small gas engines.

Crops competition will deal with judging hay and potatoes, identifying seeds and plants with a written test on production practices. Farm business management competition will have a written test on management, financing and records. Meat contest will include the judging of beef, sheep and swine carcasses plus grading these carcasses and identifying retail cuts. FFA'ers will be evaluating classes of layers, broilers, and turkeys in addition to grading eggs and dressed birds in the poultry competition.

Local FFA advisors will be assisting the college chairmen. The first place team in each division, except crops, will represent Oregon at the National FFA convention in Kansas City, Mo., where they will compete against teams from throughout the United States.



College floodlights cast an eerie glow on a cold winter evening, but that glow is not one that comes cheap. Recent cut backs at the College have resulted in an energy savings equivalent to the amount typically used by 45-50 homes. Photo by Kelly Laughlin

Summer job prospects difficult to predict

By Elena Vancil
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To the enterprising college student with a little ingenuity, the job search for summer '79 holds many interesting possibilities. Although spring has not yet arrived, it is not too early to develop a resume and start looking, according to Kate Adams of the College Placement Center. Procrastinators may find themselves out in the cold this summer.

"We started getting brochures for summer jobs that involve relocation, back in December," said Adams. "Some employers like to have their summer help all wrapped up as early as mid-January."

In spite of this, it is not too late to apply for relocation jobs at summer camps, parks and resorts. With living arrangements generally provided at reasonable cost, an employee in this area may find himself doing anything from counseling children at summer camp, to working in a gift shop at Yellowstone Park. An informational catalog, which contains a state-by-state listing of jobs of this sort, will be available in the Placement Center and College library

within a couple of days. The local park and recreation departments are also taking applications at this time, with the deadlines around April 15. Jobs in this department can include anything from lifeguard to clerical work.

For students who would really like to relocate for a few months, the State of Alaska is employing students for such jobs as blazing trails and working on fire crews.

"The largest input we get from local employers, has been and continues to be agricultural," said Sue Ford, youth representative at the Oregon State Employment Division in Oregon City. "There is always demand for berry pickers, although we don't get much response from college students in that area."

"We will refer 60 to 100 applications to the park and highway services every year, but we receive no feedback on how many of those are picked up. We do know that highway jobs, which involve road maintenance and landscaping, give previous employee priority, and will pick up a few new ones here and there to fill in the gaps."

Ford expressed the

possibility of an enterprising young entrepreneur doing well with his or her own business during the summer weeks.

"We always get lots of calls from people in need of yard workers," she said. "If a student had a lawn mower, he could advertise, and with our referrals, get a route and do pretty well."

Openings for such jobs as store clerks and restaurant workers are always "slower" according to Ford. She attributed the cause of this to many things, but mentioned that many employers in these areas fill the spaces with friends, employees' children, and generally people they already know, cutting down on the possibilities for the general public.

Even though employer requests for help are "a little slow for this time of year," Ford emphasized that the employment climate for summer '79 is "hard to foresee."

"Job placement has been coming in spurts all year," she said. "My feelings are that employers are nervous about the state of the economy, and hesitant about putting on more people. It is hard to tell, though. It might pick up."

Lawyer donates legal services

Students needing legal counsel or advice can find it here on campus. Retired lawyer, Don Krause, is donating some of his time to provide this service to the College community.

Krause is available in Trailer A, Thursdays from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. He can offer legal counsel and advice to persons willing to make use of the service, although he cannot represent them in court.

Krause is a graduate of the University of Oregon and practiced in Portland for 30 years prior to his retirement two years ago.

Krause, who is a member of the Retired Lawyers Association, now spends about three mornings a week at his Portland office and spends some of his other time giving lectures on various topics. He also has, as he puts it, "a whole raft of hobbies," including building stained glass windows, chair caning and wine making. "All of these things are kind of challenges to me," Krause said.

Krause's services are available free of charge to interested persons. Appointments may be made by calling the College Health Center secretary, ext. 250.

Needs meetings slated all around the county

Anyone having problems with social services, transportation, jobs, housing and other social needs should be aware that the Tri-County Community council is holding a series of meetings to discover what problems currently exist.

The Tri-County Community Council is sponsored by United Way and co-sponsored by Community Action Agency. The council is encouraging people to talk to them about the problems that exist, so they can better meet people's needs.

All meetings will be held

from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the following locations: March 12 at Estacada High School for the Estacada area; March 13 at Clackamas High School for the Clackamas, Damascus and Milwaukie areas; March 15 at the new Molalla High School for the Molalla area; March 19 at Clackamas Community College in the Community Center, room 117, for the Canby, Oregon City, and Gladstone areas. Free child care will be available.

For more information, call the Community Action Agency at 657-1132.

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