

Clackamas county election results

The following are the election results Clackamas County.

TREASURER

D-JEWELL LANSING 24,420
L-DONNA MERZI 2,546
R-CLAY MYERS 29,128

SEC. OF STATE

R-NORMA PAULUS 38,828
D-JOHN POWELL 14,928
L-ROBERT WRIGHT 2,461

U.S. SENATE

D-TED KULONGOSKI 24,163
L-TONIE NATHAN 2,012
R-BOB PACKWOOD 27,979

CONGRESS, 1st DIST.

D-LES AUCOIN 11,568
R-LYNN ENGDAHL 7,449
I-LLOYD MARBET 728

CONGRESS, 2nd DIST.

R-DENNY SMITH 8,574
D-AL ULLMAN 9,059

CONGRESS, 3rd DIST.

R-DARRELL CONGER 5,371
D-RON WYDEN 10,342

PRESIDENT

I-JOHN ANDERSON 5,647
D-JIMMY CARTER 21,371
L-ED CLARK 1,205
I-BARRY COMMONER 321
R-RONALD REAGAN 29,257

From Seniors

RSVP offers service

By J. Dana Haynes

Among the many successful organizations on campus is one that deals with helping the elderly citizens of Clackamas County. The Retired Seniors Volunteer Program is, in the words of coordinator Judy Smith, "...an aging service program that is designed to place and support retired persons in the community."

Created in 1973, RSVP is funded in part by ACTION, and in parts by the College and community support. ACTION (which doesn't stand for anything) is a federal agency that funds several volunteer programs, including VISTA. Judy Smith has been the coordinator since the organization was founded.

"I started a senior center in Portland for about a year. It was basically a place where people could get together to socialize," said Smith. Since then, she has been the driving force behind RSVP.

Many volunteers work on a regular basis, some help during special events, such as the poll-

ing booths during the recent elections. Other retirees are "on-call," awaiting a need for some specialty.

"We got one request once for a cryptologist, a code-breaker from World War II. Unfortunately, we didn't have any on hand," said Smith.

Currently, RSVP have placed 590 senior volunteers, who are working in more than 90 non-profit organizations. These include schools, hospitals, libraries, senior centers and the "Friendly Visitors" program for shut-ins. The volunteers, who must be 60 years of age and older, primarily are from Clackamas County. Washington, Multnomah and Marion counties have their own similar programs.

"We're autonomous and pretty much unique. Our county is mostly rural, and some suburban. But our organization wouldn't work in downtown Portland," said Smith.

To contact retired persons, RSVP staff visits the area centers for the elderly.

However, warns Smith, the organization is quickly nearing a saturation point.

"We're running out of money and community jobs," she said.

Among the fund-raising activities is the up-coming Holiday Capers Christmas Show. It will be held at the Community Center Mall, Saturday, Dec. 6.

Although there are few volunteers working on campus, they help throughout the county.

"We've got a low visibility on campus, high visibility in public," said Smith.

A story published in last week's *The Print*, "Senators removed from positions," was incorrect. It should have read: Two newly elected ASG Senators officially resigned from office Tuesday, instead of saying, "they were removed from office yesterday by the body they were elected to serve (the Senate)."

Our apologies to Tim Fraiser and Mike Gardner for the mistake.

Ba'hai presents service

The first meeting of the Ba'hai faith takes place today at noon in Barlow 204-A, and will continue to meet every Wednesday at the same time after that.

Ba'hai is a relatively young faith. Founded in 1844 in Persia, S.G.F. Branden's *Dictionary of Comparative Religion* states the movement as seeking "universal peace, holding to the unity of the human race...and teaching that all religions have a central unity."

The series of meetings will be led by Bill Sheckler, a returning student who has been involved in Ba'hai for seven months. He emphasizes Ba'hai's univer-

salism, harmony between science and religion, and the belief that all prophets, from Buddha, to Zoroaster, to Jesus all have equal validity and a central message.

Ba'hai's own prophet is name Bahu'u'llah, and he states his case: "When religion, shorn of its superstitions, traditions, and unintelligent dogmas, shows its conformity with science, then there will be a great unifying, cleansing force in the world, which will sweep before it all wars, disagreements, discords, and struggles, and then will mankind be united in the power of the love of God."

Legal advice to be offered

"Our student legal aid program is working out really well, states Pat Fontaine, secretary for Legal Aid and Health Services. To be eligible for this service you must be a student at the College. Students with possible legal problems are required to fill out legal aid forms

to see if they have feasible cases. Those who qualify are first referred to Oregon City Legal Aid, and then to the College's attorney, Joyce Cresswell.

Cresswell mostly accepts cases involving simple wills, uncontested divorces, and

child support. Cresswell does not accept traffic violations or criminal cases.

She is available for appointment the second and fourth Wednesdays of every month, but can also be contacted through her office in case of emergencies.

GED termed successful

By Thomas L. Jeffries

"Everyone here has failed somehow, mostly not by choice. Some had to drop out to support a family, some have lost a job and have to train for a new one, some simply couldn't work well in a high school environment," explained Carol Evans, department chairperson for the ABE/GED program.

"That's why we emphasize success here. We try to teach something, not just prepare them for the GED test. Because of that, 99 percent of the students we send to the testing center are passing the

tests."

The GED program, which has been in existence nationwide for 30 years, was originally designed so that servicemen could get a high school equivalency diploma after they were discharged. It gave a second chance to mature people, forced to drop out and go to work.

"It's changed over the years," said Evans. "But 30-40 percent are still returnees."

The program, commonly referred to merely as GED, is actually made up of two parts,

ABE and GED.

AGE (Adult Basic Education) covers grades one through eight and is designed to build reading comprehension to a high school level.

Said Evans, "If someone can't read well, we have to teach him. He can't learn if he can't read."

The GED (General Educational Development) portion of the program covers grades nine through 12. A graduate earns the equivalent to a high school diploma. There are about 600 students in ABE/GED pro-

grams around the country, and 125 specifically at the College. According to Evans, about one-third don't complete the course.

The program is easily the oldest on campus. It was started 15 years ago in the basement of a church, by State Treasurer Clay Myers' mother. The College assumed administration eight years ago.

"The biggest problem they, and we, face is the amount of misconceptions. People look at the students as if they're rejects," said Evans.