

# Cutbacks close door on DVIC

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For the last three years, the on-campus Domestic Violence Intervention Center has provided an alternative for battered wives and abused children in the county. Effective immediately, DVIC is shutting its doors.

The organization has received its funding through both the College and CETA (Comprehensive Employment Training Act). The school provided the building (on Molalla Avenue), along with heat, water and electricity, while CETA has paid salaries for manager Kathleen Normile and DVIC employee Paul Moon. With the recent government cutbacks, originating from President Reagan's office, CETA has been forced to drop funding for various social organizations, including DVIC. Moon's final work day was last Thursday. Normile's contract will be up on April 30.

"There are two aspects to what we do here," said Normile. "One, information and referral (I and R), and two, workshops and lectures. The Confidence Clinic will take over our I and R work. They've got a good counseling service there already."

But the lecturing service? According to Normile, there is no

alternative organization within Clackamas County to take up the slack. "We've called everybody, gone to every meeting...there's nobody around here to take over," said Normile.

"There might be some group

in Portland that can do the educational aspect, but there's no one but us in Clackamas County."

Nationally, it is estimated that one instance of domestic violence occurs every 12 seconds. It is further estimated

that only 30 to 50 percent of all cases of "in-home" violence are ever reported. "There were something like 6,000 cases of domestic violence reported in the city of Portland in 1980, and that's probably a very conservative estimate. Most go unreported," Normile said.

"Originally, 75 percent of the calls we got were emergency cases, where the wife had just been beaten up and needed to get out," said Normile. "Now, only about 25 percent are emergencies. The other 75 percent are requests for I and R. That's because, I think, we've educated the community. Women now call and say 'What do I do? I've got four children, and I've never worked, and have no education. What recourses do I have if I move out? I feel that this has been a real significant achievement,'" Normile added.

DVIC suggests legal rights, welfare and food stamp information, and general alternatives to being abused.

The other main concern of the soon-to-be-defunct DVIC has been lecturing. Normile and Moon have spoken at churches, schools and civic centers all over this county and the general metro area.

"Mostly, we went into the high schools, rather than the lower grades. Paul and I felt comfortable there. But it needs to be done in the grade schools and junior highs, too," said Normile.

The lectures for adults and children have differed widely, according to Normile. "When we speak to adults, we say 'What can you do? Where can you go?' With kids, it's 'What is abuse?' Quite honestly, I think it's just a Band-Aid effort to talk to adults. Batterers won't admit they're batterers. But with kids, we can really help. Since battering is a learned response, it can be unlearned."

Normile has only been with the DVIC since September. She has a master's degree in education, and teaching is her

first vocation. "I really don't know where I'll go from here," she said, "but I hope to teach somewhere. Maybe overseas." Normile replaced Janelle Montes, former head of the organization.

"I feel really good about the Confidence Clinic taking over I and R," said Normile. "Actually, the two programs should have been combined. The power we would have had for funding would have put us in a better situation." The Confidence Clinic, housed on the edge of campus on Beaver-creek Road, serves the needs of persons in transition, particularly displaced homemakers.

Normile explained that she was upset at losing Paul Moon, whose job already has gone. "Paul was a real benefit to the program," she said, "being male, in what is usually considered to be a female oriented business. We did some self-help, talking to groups at one time. A volunteer and I worked with the group, and Paul took care of the children, babysitting, I guess you'd call it. A lot of these women tend to think that all men are bastards, and they see Paul, who's so loving and caring and gentle...It lets them know that there are 'good men' as well as 'bad men'," she said.

Normile is saddened to see her organization fold, but she believes steps are being taken to keep such public service organizations alive. "I think the steps are going in the right direction. But so many of these organizations are built on fine ideals. That's okay, but behind the fine ideals, you have to have some basics. You have to have a building, you have to know where your funding is coming from, etc. I'm sorry that the current administration is cutting back so much, but this'll make the human interest groups take a second look, and maybe straighten out the basic business end of it a little more. And that's a real benefit."



Staff photo by Duffy Coffman

## On-campus Christian club provides fellowship, fun

"I thought it was some kind of sports club," was one reply when a few Clackamas Community College students were asked what they thought of Inter-varsity Christian Fellowship.

Many on campus have never heard of inter-varsity since its arrival is fairly new to community colleges. Inter-varsity (or Inter-University) is an inter-denominational club here at Clackamas designed for students of any age, sex or race, to come and get together with other Christians and to find out more about Jesus Christ.

Bill Serios, campus staff member for Mt. Hood and Clackamas Community Colleges and Portland State, describes the purpose of the organization: "Inter-varsity is a worldwide movement of Bible-believing, Christian students interacting with others on their college campuses. England-born Inter-varsity exists primarily for three reasons:

--To introduce and help lead others to Jesus Christ.

--To help Christian growth through communication with fellow Christians. This includes on-campus group and off-campus socials, many with other Inter-varsity groups.

--To train Christians to extend their outreach (or the knowledge they have of the gospel of Jesus Christ) to others at home, on the job, and

even different cities and countries."

Here on campus, Inter-varsity (otherwise known as Clackamas Christian Fellowship) has been active in social trips to Mt. Hood, recreation days with organized volleyball and football, progressive dinners and beach trips. Included in their weekly meetings are guest speakers on such topics as, "Hard questions people ask" and "Role Playing." Other activities in-

clude on-campus weekly studies centered on the Bible, films, singing, and more.

Throughout the year workshops on training camps are available for interested students. A recent I.V. workshop was held over Spring break at Camp Magruder near Rockaway on the Oregon coast. Over 100 student, from U of O, SOS, IOT, UOHSC, OSU, PSU, Mt. Hood, Willamette University and Clackamas, participated.

## Pauling Center: furnished rms. avail.

Spring break was a time for vacation for most students and staff members at the College, but for some of the science students and faculty, it was a time to move into the Linus Pauling Science Center.

The official move took place over spring break. Most of the equipment was packed away

the week before the move. One truck, several science teachers, the custodial and maintenance crews and about half-a-dozen science students were involved in the move.

Pauling was designed three years ago to fit the needs of the teachers and students then. Some of the needs have

changed, even a few of the science staff has changed, but basically it is still tailored to the specific needs of the College staff and students.

The assets of Pauling are many, according to Chuck Scott, the assistant dean of instruction. Instructor John Snively says the main benefits

of the new buildings are the vast amount of space and the privacy it provides. The teachers now have their own private offices. The classrooms

are spacious and are equipped with the old equipment as well as some new. There is a lounge in one part of Pauling and a special work area close to the offices so students are close to

assistance. Pauling is bright (there are many windows, and much of the lighting is natural) and very colorful. The hallways are pleasantly decorated with large windows, colorful walls, and healthy green plants.

The science staff stressed that there is no smoking in any of the science buildings. This is for a combination of health and safety reasons, Scott said.

## Grades delayed by computer

Due to computer programming and testing, grades for 5,415 College students were delayed from delivery for one week, and the majority of the grades were delivered yesterday and today, according to Chuck Adams, director of admissions at the College.

The grade information was entered into the registration computer for each student and

was double-checked for accuracy by Adams and Tsuyoshi Inouye last Sunday. "We sampled the system last Sunday for accuracy by sending 500 reports through the computer." Because they turned out accurate, a majority of the grades were mailed on Monday and should have reached the local students by Tuesday and Wednesday.

This was the first time that the grades have been run through the new computers. "I didn't want to put them (the grades) out without assurance of their accuracy," Adams said. "The processing itself hasn't changed, it's just that the grade information is now entered into the computer." Adams believes that students should still check their grades for mistakes.

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