

College pushes public relations

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In an effort to boost relations between the college and local communities, the College Board of Education will meet in the library of West Linn High School, Oct. 14 at 7:30 p.m.

According to the College public information office, three recent election campaigns revealed that community leaders feel the College rarely

communicates with the public unless it needs to pass a tax levy. Ralph Groener, a College board member, suggested Project Visibility as a means to correct the problem. The Communications Task Force, a committee made up of College administrators, faculty, and students, will work out the specifics of the program.

"The main goal of Project Visibility is to get the faculty

and students at the College to have a sense of pride", said Bill Symes, a member of the Com-

munications Task Force. "It is pointless to go out to the community until our own house is in order." He added, "The biggest problem is that the community isn't aware of what we do. We want people to come on campus and see what's going on."

Kevin McMurdo, director of Project Visibility, said "Im-

proving internal communication is the first step in solving our problems. If the public and staff are aware of what we do, they can accept it."

Although, still being developed, the first steps of the project are being taken, through such action as an off-campus board meeting.

The Communication Task Force also ran a survey Sept. 14 to see how the administra-

tion, supervisors, faculty, and the support staff feel about the

communication on-campus. According to Symes, they used the old survey as a "yardstick."

After the results were compared, it was evident the College staff feels the same about internal communication today as it did in 1976.

Trying to establish a feeling of pride in Clackamas Community College is the

main objective of the Communications Task Force. The task force believes once the

staff and the students show pride in their college, that pride will spread to our community.



Staff photo by Duane Hiersche

Handicapped access discussion slated

The Linus Pauling Center was discussed during a Handicap Advisory Committee meeting Wednesday when

they discussed possible problems concerning handicapped-student mobility at the college.

The college currently meets all state and federal handicap codes. The Pauling Center doors are within the eight pound "pull" limit. Any further improvement will go beyond the requirements of the codes. The electric doors found in the older buildings of the col-

lege were installed before the lighter weight "closers" were manufactured. Thus the electric doors are not necessary in the new buildings.

Commented Don Fisher, facilities development and planning officer, "The Pauling Center is within the codes that the federal and state government have set. Any more improvements will be done because we feel they are necessary to the students we are dealing with."

The outcome of the meeting will be updated in the following issue of "The Print".

Financial aid feels pinch

By Tina Riggs
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Trying to keep ahead of inflation is not an easy task - especially for college students who are now turning to financial aid for help.

"Almost 50 percent of full-time students at the college receive some sort of financial aid," commented Lee Fawcett, assistant dean of student services. "The situation is getting worse," he added. Consequently, recent Federal budget cuts concern many students on campus.

The largest impact of the budget cuts, Fawcett said, is in the Guaranteed Student Loan Program (GSL). Although the changes were not drastic, the federal government has put

limits on eligibility for the loans and has initiated a 5 percent fee to be paid by students to help relieve the government's financial burden.

In the past, there had been no eligibility cut-off by a student's income, but this year's applicants must have an adjusted income of \$30,000 per year or less. The adjusted income takes into consideration medical and living expenses, tax requirements and number of dependents. Despite this fact the majority of students at the college still qualify.

Minor changes in the Basic Education Opportunity Grant (BEOG) will affect a small percentage of "borderline" cases who will not receive the grant this year, Fawcett said. In

addition, the maximum award is \$30 less than last year. Although, with adjustments for increased expenses, the awards are approximately the same as last year.

"There isn't a heck of a lot of impact this year - just a 5 percent GSL fee and a little less BEOG money and the delay on next year's budget," Fawcett said, adding the predicted major changes in financial aid in the 1982-83 school year. "Congress has yet to decide on the new budget cuts and until then, the college must wait and roughly estimate the funds they will receive," he said. "This year we ran out of money in July; next year it may be June. Students who apply early will do okay."

The Print surveyed several students and faculty members on their reactions to Anwar Sadat's death.

Debbie Bennett (staff): "I think it's really scary and it frightens me that there's so much terrorism in the world that our leaders aren't safe anymore. Especially in that part of the world that we depend on for our oil."

Joe Schweizer (Engineering major, ASG Assistant to the President): "It's too bad. I'm concerned about who's going to be the leader of Egypt now and how it'll effect world

peace. I think maybe he was too radical for that country, and he stepped on a lot of toes. I hope whoever'll get in office will continue his work towards peace."

Mike Kain (Pre-nursing major): "Anyone who wants to assassinate anyone else should be shot himself!"

David Smith-English (staff): "It's just terrible. It questions the whole structure of responsibility that allows people to live together in this world. It's very scary."

Gary Craig (staff): "What I know of him (Sadat), it'll be

bad for the Middle East and bad for the United States, as far as he was an ally."

Sam Crosby (Business Administration/Political Science major, ASG President): "The world's lost a great statesman. America's lost a great ally. I really admired that guy. He was the last of the statesmen with guts who worked for peace."

Gary Sawyer (undecided major): "I think it might effect US foreign policy. The new President of Egypt might take power and be another Khomeini."

Fruit fest planned

Hundreds of varieties of fruits will be on display and questions on fruit will be answered Saturday and Sunday at the Home Orchard Society's Second Annual Fall Fruit Festival in Randall Gym.

More than 200 varieties of Northwest grown apples will be on display, along with many varieties of fresh pears, grapes, and other fruits.

Experts will be on hand to identify fruit, answer questions on how fruit can be grown on a small scale, and explain canning processes with displays of some 20-year old dried fruit.

The festival hours are 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. on both days, with a \$1 per family entrance fee. Proceeds will go to the Greco Scholarship Fund.

Opinion poll: The death of Anwar Sadat

