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Needed money wasted on unnecessary costs

For the past few weeks the Oregon legislature has been debating how to balance the State budget, in an effort to rid itself of a deficit.

Gov. Victor Atiyeh's plan to make up the deficit was strongly fought by Community Colleges of Oregon Student Association and Commissions (CCOSAC). Most colleges would be hit hard by the cuts that have been proposed. It was estimated that Clackamas Community College would have \$1 million pulled from its budget.

And yet, some of the recent expenses the College has been taking on would make it seem that a six figure cut could be handled easily.

One of the outrageous expenses is the Joe Meek sculpture, which will officially be unveiled next Thursday (although it's been visible in the cafeteria for over a week).

That statue of the pioneering Oregonian cost the College \$9,000. It doesn't matter what contributions Joe Meek bestowed on Oregon, the College really can't afford to layout that amount of

money for a memorial dedicated to him.

True, the Meek statue had been budgeted last year. But isn't it part of successful budgeting, looking ahead?

Another more recent example of wasted money has been that of paying the College's management negotiating team members a bonus of \$600 each; a total expenditure of \$1,800. The bonus was for handling the faculty and support staff contract negotiations for the management.

This was not only an unnecessary expense, it was a slap in the face of the faculty. The faculty had already suffered enough without the College Board turning around and paying their negotiating team for sticking it to the instructors.

One other item upon which money has been wasted, was recently exposed by Mike Rose last week, in *The Print*. The item was the eagle painting which resides on the wall above the entrance to the Fireside Lounge. It's a ridiculous looking bird, which cost \$350.

It would seem that since the College is always suffering budget cuts, the money it is allotted could be used more wisely.



\$155 million

Support for El Salvador questionable

By J. Dana Haynes
Of the Print

According to yesterday's Oregonian, front page no less, the Reagan Administration is sending \$55 million in military equipment to the government of El Salvador. And for those of us who feel that our good buddies south of several borders deserve more than

that, the President has also asked Congress to send an additional \$100 million in weapons and economic aid.

This is simply preposterous. Once again, the Reagan Administration has demonstrated a foreign policy that reads like something from a Marx Brothers movie.

Remember please, the way our government handled the Polish crisis. There, the

government (a COMMUNIST government) wouldn't let people form unions, or have access to the press. So the people got mad and staged strikes.

And through it all, Reagan made faces at Moscow, rolled up his shirt sleeves, and told the people of Poland, via the "Voice of America" radio network, that the freedom-loving people of the world were behind them.

Meanwhile, back in El Salvador, the people were also unhappy. Why? Because their government, run the infamous 14 coffee-growing families, has been systematically slaughtering them. Ah, but there is a dif-

ference. The El Salvadorian government is NOT COMMUNIST. Better yet, it is an ALLY. Not an ally of its people, of course, but one of ours.

So despite the thousands killed (including Americans), we are continuing to ship tons of weaponry and money to this banana republic. Of course, there is a rationale from the White House. You see, the El Salvadorian government is getting better. They recently announced that only half as many people were killed by their army in 1981, as were killed in 1980.

Readers write

Thanks for survey help

To the Editor:

Thanks Students!
Thank you for participating in the Economic Impact Study completed this past week. Hopefully, the results will convince Oregon lawmakers that community colleges are important in both state and local economies.

I especially want to thank the members of student government who conducted the survey. Under the leadership of Stephen Vohs, they did an excellent job of getting the questionnaires out to the classes and returned in good

numbers. The project was a success due to the concerted effort by all.

Sincerely,

Dr. Kent Heaton
College Research Ofc.

Blood drive location appalling

To the Editor:

I find it amazing that the people in charge of the recent Blood Drive found it necessary to set the whole thing up in the

middle of the Community Center.

Not only did it seem unsanitary (due to the smoking, eating, spitting, etc., that takes place there daily) and lacking privacy, but it was downright unacceptable in terms of aesthetics for anyone in the area. I for one did not appreciate having to march past bags and tubes of blood just to get to the lavatory or cafeteria.

Through several discussions around campus I came to the conclusion that I was not the only person who felt this way.

It seems to me that the Fireside Lounge would have been a perfect area to set the Blood Drive equipment up in. Not only does it seem more sanitary, but it is out of the mainstream of traffic and lends a certain amount of privacy due to the full length draperies hanging at the threshold.

Every year we seem to hear something to the effect of

"good turn-out but more needed next year." Well personally, I wouldn't give blood under the abovementioned unsanitary surroundings any more than I would in the middle of a bus depot, and there are others who told me that they would have been donors had it not been for the "public exposure, not even screens set up."

When I confronted the Student Activities Director with "just a suggestion," I was told that the Fireside Lounge was too small. I beg to differ. I walked off the area used and the Lounge area and found that even more equipment than that was used could have fit in the Fireside Lounge.

Then I was told that "it has always been done out here" to which I must reply, "then how do we know that we're getting maximum involvement from the student body?"

We can't know until there is something to compare to statistically, so let's move it next

year and see if we can get a few more takers, or rather, a few more givers.

Pam Nelson
Staff Development
Secretary

Thanks for donations

To Everyone,

Thank you students and staff for a job well done!

There are many people out there appreciating your generous contribution of 114 units of blood (plus another 13 willing persons).

This is a campus record! It will allow some other-wise unfortunate people to celebrate life.

Bonnie Hartley-Linse
College Nurse

Clackamas Community College

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