EVENTS CALENDAR

Wednesday, Dec. 1 **Private Pilot's Seminar** BRA&B 7-10:00 p.m.

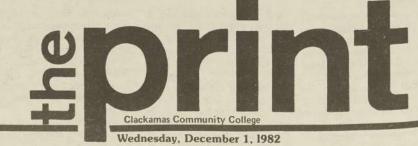
Thursday, Dec. 2 **Traffic Appeals Board** CC 101 3-5:00 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 3 "Appointment With Death" Theater 8-10:00 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 4 **Explorer Scouts** Olympics

Gym 8:00 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5 **Old Time Fiddlers Jam** CC Mall

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



Viet Nam vet

Ricketson represents Oregon

Ballot Measure. press relations top conference

The Community College's of Oregon Student Associa-tions and Commissions (CCOSAC) held its Fall Workshop on Nov. 19-21. The conference was in the opinion conference was, in the opinion of the Executive Chairperson Brian Gardner, "the most pro-ductive CCOSAC workshop that I've been involved with. The Community College's of this state are really coming of

taxes. The community colleges receive a large proportion of their budgets from taxes.

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Brenda Babcock of the Oregon Committee (a lobbying organization) and Bob Scanlon, a banker and former manager of the Multnomah County tax collection agency, spoke to the gathered students on what changes, if any, the tax systems of the state will undergo.



By T. Jeffries Of The Print It was called the "National Salute to Vietnam Veterans" and it was five days of events and celebrations culminating in the dedication in Washington D.C., Saturday Nov. 13, of a V-shaped slab of black granite inscribed with the names of all 57,692 Americans killed or listed as "missing, presumed dead" during the Vietnam War

Attending that dedication were 65 Orego-nian veterans, including Clackamas Community College Video Technology Instructor Carlos Ricketson.

"I went back to a conference in New York Ricketson, 35, was in Navy boot camp in 1964 when the Tonkin Gulf incident launched America into the war. He was stationed in various posts throughout Viet Nam, finally being discharged three and a half years later. He arriv-ed home in time to watch the massive "Tet Of-fensive" on T.V. "I was glad to be at home wat-ching that one. My unit was hit pretty hard in that, some of my buddies were killed," he said. The memorial and dedication, though con-

troversial, pleased Ricketson. "It was a good way to memorialize those who made the supreme

sacrifice. It (the memorial) is black and set into a hillside like a tomb, a tomb of recognition

The memorial was planned, built and fund ed through a private venture by a Viet Nam veteran. It cost \$7 million to construct and took three years to get the funding from individuals, businesses and corporations. Permission was granted to put the memorial in the D.C. mall where Lincoln, Washington and Jefferson memorials are located, and each state was asked to send a delegation of veterans. Each group had to raise their own funding. Events the week before the dedication in-

cluded senate hearings on benefits for the families of men killed in Viet Nam and a ceremony at the Arlington National Cemetary The dedication was preceded by a big parade from the Capitol building to the memorial. "It was real inspiring," Ricketson said. "Peo-

ple were applauding and saying 'Welcome home.' D.C. people were bending over backwards to be nice. They were always buying us drinks and some cab drivers weren't accepting money from us. It was a national coming-home party and it was needed. There was no cominghome process at the time. By the time the war was over everyone was tired of Viet Nam, they didn't want to deal with it. Everyone was too burnt out," he said.

Several Clackamas Com-munity College students at-tended the three-day affair, in-cluding Associated Student Government members, the Editor in Chief of The Print, and Gardner, who is a student at the College. The conference was held

at Portland Community College's Sylvania (Beaverton) campus, and drew represen-tatives from all 13 Oregon community colleges. The pur-poses of the workshop were varied and included sessions varied, and included sessions on effective student government/student newspaper relations, the management responsibilities of an ASG and "The Implications of Measure 3; How Oregon Taxes Will Be Restructured."

Ballot Measure 3 was an initiative that would have severely cut back property

Babcock felt that a Ballot-Measure-3-type bill will un-doubtedly come up for vote in two years if the state legislature does not change the current tax system. "It (Measure 3) cannot be defeated again," Babcock said. "The measure that was written on Ray Phillips' kitchen table almost caused chaos in this state." Phillips was the originator of Measure 3.

Other sessions at the conference included a cadre of stu-dent editors from throughout the state, who fielded questions from the various ASG members. The Editors In Chief included Bob Malchow of Central Oregon Community, Wayne Allen of Chemeketa, Reid Idleford of PCC, Kevin Violette of Clatsop County Community, Steve Ouellette of Rogue Community and J. Dana Haynes of Clackamas.