

EVENTS CALENDAR

Wednesday, Jan. 12	Thursday, Jan. 13	Friday, Jan. 14	Saturday, Jan. 15	Monday, Jan. 17
Oregons for Clean Air 7-10 p.m. ELC Recycling Center	Focus Seminar "Communication for Intimacy" 7-10 p.m. CC 101	Master Gardener Class 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. C 133	Tree and Vine Care Class 1-4 p.m. Theater	Workshop: "Coping with Alzheimer's Disease" 1-3 p.m. Oregon City Senior Center

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Bruce Borquist applies anthropological skills from Ghana to Gladstone

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"The job description sounded like it was written about me, so I applied," Bruce Borquist said of his new employment as community coordinator for the city of Gladstone.

Borquist is one of five community directors hired by Clackamas Community College to serve the community as a part of their Continuing Education Division. The program is one of three-part mission of the College's along with Community Schools and the Employee/Management Development projects.

The four-month position-holder replaced the previous coordinator, Gretchen Anderson, who has taken a year of educational leave of absence. At the end of the year Borquist's employment will depend of Anderson's decision to return.

"In community-related jobs it takes the whole first year to get acquainted with everything," Borquist said. "Not until the second or third year do things really start to happen. I hope to continue for two years here if not more."

Borquist has not set any new programs so far, but has spent most of his time following up on Anderson's projects.

"I am like a teacher, but without a classroom," Borquist said. "It is like I am teaching them how to fish and not just giving fish to them."

Even though employed by the College, Borquist's office is located at Gladstone High School. It is a cooperative arrangement in which the College employs him and the Gladstone School District provides the office, phone and supplies.

Before applying for the job Borquist was not familiar with the Gladstone area. The first month he researched the city thoroughly to gain the knowledge he needed. But Borquist is glad that he did end up in Gladstone.

"I applied for the job, not the location," he said. "I am pleased I ended up in Gladstone, it is rewarding. They (Gladstone citizens) have a sense of being another town, not just another part of the Portland area."

Prior to his hiring at the College, Borquist worked at the Rain Community Resource Center in Portland. Rain is a non-profit organization which Borquist describes as 'like a library.' Most of his work at the center was with refugees in the Portland area.

His employment at Rain was after a three and a half year commitment with the Peace Corp in Ghana. From 1978 to a year ago December, Borquist and his wife worked with a community development program in the West African country.

During the first part of their stay the couple served as teacher trainers. They taught a course that would enable a graduate to teach in a middle or elementary school. The following year they worked as village development "suffilators," or teaching the county governments how to govern. The last half of year was spent training other volunteers to perform the same type of work.

"It (Peace Corp work) is something that I always wanted to do," Borquist said. "I first applied in high school but that was in the Nixon years (you needed a special skill to be accepted)."

Borquist is proud to be a part of the College's program because he feels it is unique.



"YOU GET A lot of rewards in this line of work," said Community Director/Antropologist Bruce Borquist.

Staff photo by Duane Hiersche

Student director, actors present 'Restaurant'

The Theater Projects class of Clackamas Community College will soon take a small space, a table and two chairs, mix well, and create production.

Student David Harvey will direct "The Restaurant," a one-act comedy by Dan Greenburg. It is a three-person show with a running time of 30 minutes. The cast consists of students Eta Leonard and Patrick Sterling, who play American tourists traveling in a foreign country, and Victor Toman, as a waiter whose understanding of English is poor, and whose patience with Americans is limited.

"The Restaurant' is about the wiles of a man caught in a

foreign country and his ploys to get out," Harvey said. Originally, this show was to run with one other, the two plays combining to make a one hour production. However, the Projects class lost some people, making the second feature impossible.

A dress rehearsal will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 14 in the McLoughlin Theater, and the public is invited to attend. The Projects class will then take "The Restaurant" to a convention at the Jantzen Beach Red Lion on Saturday.

"The Real Estate group called the College, looking for someone to provide entertainment for their convention," Harvey said.

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"At Clackamas Community College approximately 10 percent of its students have Dyslexia . . ."

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"When a basketball team can dominate the boards, more often than not they will win the game."

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