

# EVENTS CALENDAR

Wednesday, April 13	Thursday, April 14	Friday, April 15	Saturday, April 16	April 18-April 20
Lecture: Understanding Cults	Workshop: Time Management for Women	Movie: "Robin Hood"	ACT Testing	Monday: 12 a.m.-7 p.m. Tuesday: 8 a.m.-8 p.m. Wednesday: 8 a.m.-12 p.m.
7-9 p.m.	7-9 p.m.	6-10 p.m.	8 a.m.-1 p.m.	ASG Elections
Theater	Small Dining Room	CC Mall	C 151	CC Mall

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## Sagoe, Porter battle for 1983-84 presidency

### Sagoe seeks to carry on ASG goals

John Sagoe has thrown his hat into Clackamas Community College's political ring. Sagoe is running for the office of ASG president, on a "ticket" with Linda Cox, who is seeking the office of vice president (Please see related story, this page).

There are only two elected positions in the student government. Other executive cabinet positions are appointed. These include Administrative Assistant, Assistant to the President, and Activities Director.

Sagoe is a foreign exchange student from Ghana, a country in northwestern Africa. If elected, he would be the second minority student to hold the office of president at the College. Bob Loo, a Sino-American, was president of the student government in 1972-73.

"I don't have any promises for the job, because I don't know what the students want yet," Sagoe said. Although he does not have specific plans for the office, he would like to see some of the current ASG projects carried on.

"We've seen some very good issues attacked by the ASG this year, and we (Sagoe and Cox) would like to see them carried through," he said. Sagoe cited the thrice-yearly blood drive and book exchange programs as projects that he feels are worthwhile.

"This year's government has done a tremendous job and we'd like to do as well or better," Sagoe said.

Sagoe's political background includes work both here and in Africa. While at Adisdell College in Cape Coast, Ghana, he served as a house representative on the Board of Education, a position similar to an ASG senator. He was also the chairperson of the Press Committee.

While attending Oregon City High School, Sagoe was active in the International Relations Club, which is a model United Nations sponsored by the University of Oregon. Sagoe also wrote for the OCHS newspaper and the literary magazine, "5th and Jackson."

This, with his former work dealing with the press at Adisdell College, led Sagoe to major in International Relations and Journalism at the College, and to write on a freelance basis for *The Print*.

From here, Sagoe would like to transfer to the University of Oregon or Portland State.

The end goal of his education is international politics, Sagoe said. "It all depends on what I do here in Oregon. There are two possibilities; I would like to work for the Department of State in Ghana as a diplomat, or apply to an international organization through the United Nations."

Although he is not originally from the United States, Sagoe does not feel his grasp of the English language will hinder his activities. "It shouldn't be a problem," he said. "I have been working with the language since I was six."



John Sagoe

Don Porter

File photos

### Porter sees no guidance from Nastari

Don Porter has entered the race for the 1983-84 Associated Student Government presidency. This is familiar territory for Porter: He was the ASG president at Clackamas Community College in 1979-80.

Porter, 23, was a senator earlier this year. However, he resigned before the year was out, citing dissatisfaction with the current ASG.

Porter is running for office because he sees a need for changes in the structure of the student government, and because he sees "No guidance on some sore issues" from this year's president, Paul Nastari.

Porter sees many problems with ASG and is running on a platform with three key issues: To improve on-campus communication, to upgrade the College's image with the community, and to streamline the functions of the student government.

The business management major has several theories for improving communications, including better utilization of the College's closed-circuit television system, dubbed the Student Information Network, or SIN.

However, his largest complaint, and top priority, is with the school's image and public relations. His suggestions for improvement include looking at the Lip Sync contests and the game room.

To make the College more respectable for visitors, Porter would like to see such activities as concerts and Lip Sync contests relocated to the McLoughlin Hall theater or, in warm weather, outdoors.

He would also like to see the game room eliminated or moved out of the Community Center. Earlier this year, Porter conducted a private survey, he explained. He alleges that "a lot of people there (in the game room) aren't students," but are simply members of the community.

Another area Porter would look into is the College's bookstore, to see if it is "fulfilling the needs of the students," he said.

"I can safely say there is not one student who is completely satisfied with the bookstore," Porter said. He pointed to the prices of the store's merchandise and its buy-back policies as areas which deserve investigating.

"Who's making money? Who's benefiting from that money?" Porter asked. "I'm not advocating closing or boycotting it, just investigating the situation."

Porter would also investigate the ASG's book exchange program, which he called "something of a joke."

Porter's background includes work with the Kiwanis, Senior Citizen Centers, a volunteer Crisis Line, and the presidency of the College's ASG. He was a state Phi Beta Lambda officer, and ran unsuccessfully for a seat on the College's board of education.

### Cox vs. Sytsma for ASG vice president

Linda Cox and Tim Sytsma will vie against each other for the office of Associated Student Government vice president later this month. Cox and Sytsma are the only two people running for the job.

Cox is running on a "ticket" with John Sagoe (who is running for president), while Sytsma is working in conjunction with presidential-hopeful Don Porter.

Cox, 39, is a business administration major. She is currently an ASG senator, but has had very little political experience prior to this year.

She is running with Sagoe because they share political convictions, Cox explained. "We think very much alike. I think we can work very well together."

Cox sees the job of vice president as one which evolves around two main departments, the ASG budget and the various clubs on campus. "I would like to see the clubs more involved," she said. "It would help the ASG and get more students involved."

Cox is currently the president of the College's Spanish club. She feels that this, along with her business-oriented major, would help her in the job of

vice president.

Tim Sytsma, 19, is also working for that job. Sytsma was a senator for part of this year, but resigned because of scheduling conflicts. Ironically, it was Cox who filled the position vacated by Sytsma.

Like his opponent, Sytsma also has a running mate, Don Porter. Sytsma explained the team-up formed around their common interests and goals. Both candidates see vast room for improvement in the ASG.

"I feel I can serve the students well," Sytsma said.

One goal Sytsma will shoot for is redefining the job description for the vice president. "The job has not been sharply defined in the past," Sytsma said. "I think the vice president's duty should be to support the president, and to help people get the most out of the student government."

Sytsma was politically active while attending Sandy High School. He served as the junior class vice president and later as the student body president.

Sytsma is running for the vice presidential job for 1983-84 because "Helping people is the key," he said.

