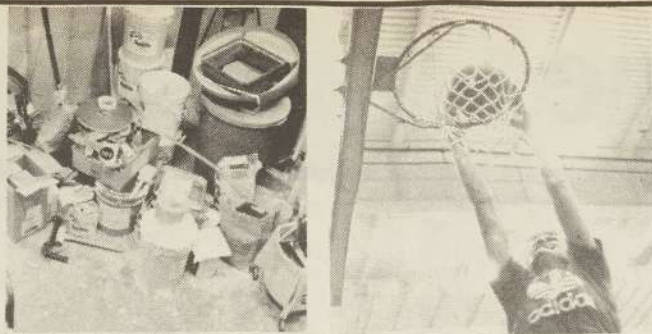


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Administrators approve levy date College seeks passing March 27

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Clackamas Community College's next levy election is still several weeks away, yet the College's Concerned Students Committee and the Elections Committee are already gearing up for the event.

The Associated Student Government's newly formed Concerned Students Committee will be holding a meeting today at 2 p.m. in CC101 to try to generate more levy promotion ideas, and they encourage any interested students to attend.

Last week the College's Board voted unanimously to recommend the three-year serial levy that was presented to the voters in the Nov. 8 election, which involved a raise from \$1.24 per \$1,000 of assessed property value to \$1.39.

Bill Ryan, dean of College services and planning said at the meeting, "The \$1.39 will be sufficient for 1984-85. It will be extremely tight for the next two years, but that's not saying we (College) can't do it."

Of the 65,000 votes the College's Elections Committee expects in March, ASG Vice President Linda Cox said at least 30,000 votes are needed to pass the levy. The Nov. 8 levy was defeated 8,449 to 6,088.

Cox, who represents the ASG on the Elections Committee, said the Concerned Students Committee is working with the Elections Committee in generating ideas to help promote the levy. She said the Elections Committee is currently working on raising funds and forming a lay committee composed of citizens, while the Concerned Students Committee's goal is "to reach each and every student."

The Concerned Students Committee is new this year and is ASG's version of the College's Elections Committee. Formed at the start of winter term, the committee is composed of ASG members and is being co-chaired by Kristi Scott and Nancy Perman.

"It's a way of inviting students to please participate and generate ideas," Cox said in regards to the committee, which has managed so far to gain the help of two or three students. In comparing last term's levy-promoting efforts to this term's, she said the Concerned Students Committee would have to be "stronger in publicity and getting the word across to people of how important their vote is."

The committee has already proposed a number of ideas for the levy, some of which are being carried out. These ideas include a College Bowl and the displaying of voting signs in supportive businesses.

The College Bowl is scheduled to take place during the first week of March and will be made up of four teams, each team having four members. Cox said students, staff members, administrators and classified staff will participate in the bowl, which will feature questions concerning elections and the importance of voting.

A committee headed by Student Activities Director Debbie Baker is currently writing the questions for the College Bowl and Cox said that the bowl may even be opened up for outside students to participate.

As for the voting signs, Cox said their purpose would be similar to the College's no-smoking signs. These signs will be placed in positive business establishments and on their marquees.

Another proposed idea for the levy includes campus tours, which would take place one night a week in the evenings and might have an administrator present to answer questions. Cox explained this idea would show citizens what they are paying for in taxes to the College.

Other ideas include having an ice cream feed or dance after the election in which those people who voted would be allowed to participate as a way of thanks for voting, finding a visible per-



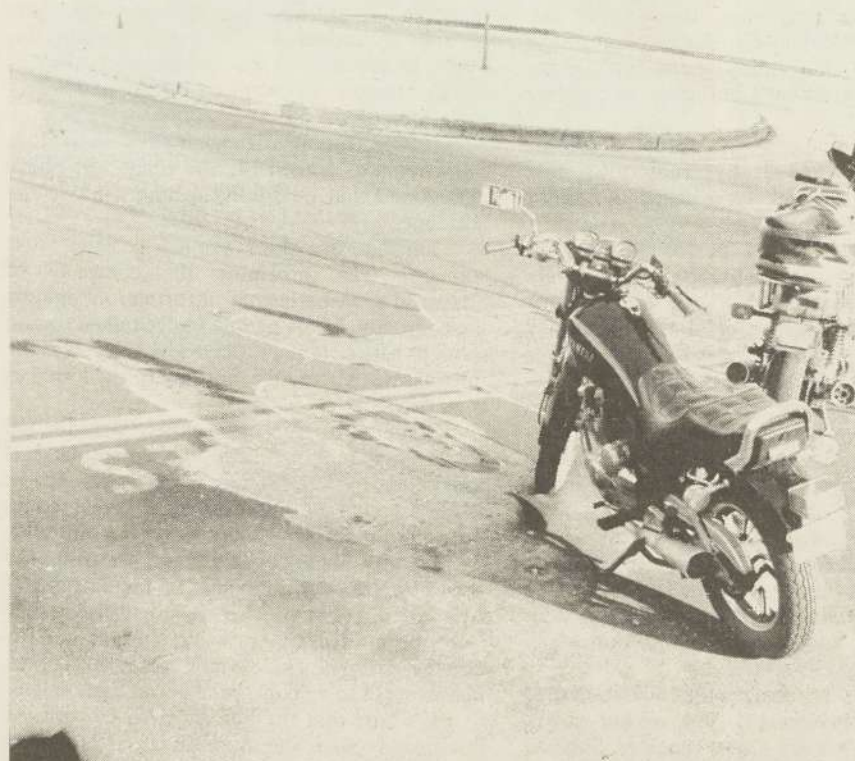
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son who would agree to shave their hair should the levy pass, as well as making buttons that would ask people if they voted and getting campus clubs more involved in promoting the levy.

Since the March levy will be preceded by finals week and spring break, Cox said this will make the Concerned Students Committee "very handicapped as far as reaching out to students."

In order to fight this setback, Cox said the committee plans to ask faculty members to make a levy announcement on the Monday students return to school and the committee plans to have a registration area set up at upcoming events, such as the next Take Charge Day.

"The students do have a very powerful voice still, and we (College) could swing an election if they got out and voted," she said.



WITHOUT A SHADOW OF A DOUBT—The last remains of the frost that glazed the campus last Thursday is saved by the shadow of a motorcycle near Barlow Hall.

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