

Damage still under tabulation

Arson blamed for Smucker's building fire

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The Smuckers building, located on the campus of Clackamas Community College, burnt down on Aug. 39. Arson was the cause.

Smuckers covered an area of five acres and consisted of the Shipping and Receiving department, mail room, and maintenance barn. The Environmental Learning Center and the Art Center are also located on the grounds.

About ten years ago the building belonged to the company bearing its name, Smuckers Jams and Jellies, but when the company moved to Woodburn it sold the property to the College.

Bill Ryan, administrative dean of college services and planning, said arson was the direct cause of the fire. He explained that someone had gotten into the restroom in the

cabinet shop, filled it with paper towels and set it afire. The fire then spread quickly through the halls toward offices containing expensive equipment.

The fire damaged cabinets, desks, the Shipping and

Receiving department, mail room, cabinet shop (which contained expensive saws and excess lumber), the

maintenance shop and four vehicles, one beyond repair. In addition, 29 pages of inventory still needs to be added to

the total estimated damage. A \$330,000 insurance settlement has also been offered to the College.

The most expensive damage sustained by the building was done to the roof, estimated around \$150,000. Just two days before the fire all of the

textbooks needed for this year were moved to the Bookstore, which enabled fall term to start with little trouble. About \$40,000 worth of damage was done to the side and roof of the Art Center, but this was repaired before fall classes began.

There are no suspects for the act of arson as of press time, but there is a \$5,000 reward out for information about the fire and whoever caused it.



RUINED REMAINS--Smuckers building for \$40,000 worth of damage to the College's displays damage with its caved-in roof and Art Center. The fire was also responsible

Photo by Joel Miller

When asked about the absence of an automatic sprinkler system in the Smuckers building, Ryan said the building was 70 years old, and at the time it was constructed there were no codes directing builders to put in such a system.

Shipping and receiving, the mail room and the

maintenance rooms, which were located in the Smuckers building, are located at the

south end of Clairmont Hall. Smuckers is expected to be

torn down and left vacant while a new addition will be added to Barlow Hall, as soon as the College's Board approves of the plan.

This change would benefit many nursing and law students, since they would not have to travel to Clairmont to attend classes. This would also mean that Clairmont Hall would be used for what it was basically meant for—shipping and receiving.

"Its (Smuckers) fire caused some headaches, but we have ironed them out," Ryan said.

Student government searches for senators

Students looking for something to do with their spare time on campus and

would like to encounter new people and enjoy new experiences may be interested in joining Clackamas Community College's Associated Student Government (ASG).

ASG is responsible for planning many activities during the school year, such as dances, lectures, programs, and films. ASG members also attend budget meetings and work for

the passage of the budget each year. Their primary function is to make the College a better place to be.

The ASG staff is made up of two elected officers, the president and vice-president. They are joined by appointed staff members and senators.

This fall there are 11 positions open on the ASG staff. One of the positions is the student activities director, and the remaining 10 are senatorial positions.

areas, all working under a specific officer.

Five of the senators will aid the activities director. Two will help the assistant to the president, whose main focus is on the blood drive and keeping up with the suggestion boxes placed in each building on campus. Two of the senators will work under the vice-president, and will help by seeing that the recreation room is in order, arranging clubs, and organizing elections and senate selections.

The duties of the 10th senator include the ASG book mart, filing, typing and necessary correspondence.

Applications for the 11 positions are available in the student activities office in the Community Center. The deadline for activity director applications is Oct. 5, with interviews scheduled for Oct. 8. The deadline for senatorial applications is Oct. 12, with interviews on Oct. 15 and 16.

ASG President Jenny Metzger said the only prerequisite for being an officer or a senator is that students must be "willing to work and to take chances," in order for "today's dreams to become tomorrow's successes."

College department offers students accident, sickness insurance once more

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For the first time in three years, Clackamas Community College students can purchase accident and sickness insurance on a group basis at a discounted price.

Cascade Employee Benefits Insurance, Inc., of Portland has joined with the College to provide two different plans for the students, both of which offer policies on a guaranteed-issue basis.

Plan A is a limited policy that offers coverage at roughly 20 percent of actual medical expenses. For instance, it pays

\$50 a day for a hospital room alone, while Willamette Falls Community Hospital charges \$220 a day. The cost of plan A is \$21 a term, or \$75 a year.

Plan B offers an 80 percent coverage of approved costs, after students pay the first \$100. It has a maximum benefit of \$5000, which

"would last you (students) about 10 days," a bookkeeping official at Willamette Falls Hospital said. Plan B costs \$56 a term for a single student.

The claims procedure for those who buy these policies is simple, straightforward and direct," Nina Stration, Cascade Employee benefits representative in charge of student plans for the College,

said. "The student simply has to fill out basic information on a claim form available at the (student activities) desk here, and send it with the bill directly to the claims office in Illinois. They should have a result in 30 days," she said.

Stration explained if any problems should arise for insured students they should immediately contact her office in Portland so she can help. "It is usually just a matter of making a brief phone call to the right person," she said.

Some points of interest about the policy include the fact that, while College officials really wanted maternity expenses covered, the insurance company did not include it because the cost would be too high. Also, a student must be enrolled for at least three credit hours for the same term that they have purchased coverage.

The policy will cover for accidents that occur in a P. E. class, but it will not pay on an injury sustained during any intercollegiate athletic practice or game. It also will not cover for injuries or illness sustained while on a work-study job.

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The student activities director's job duties include coordinating dances, mini-programs, films and lectures. The director also assists with poster-making and any other areas that ASG may need help with.

The 10 senator positions are divided into four different

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