

# Motorcycle classes teach proper riding skills

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Learning how to ride a motorcycle may not be hard to do on one's own, but learning to ride one properly is another matter. So says Sandy Galloway, site coordinator for Clackamas Community College's motorcycle rider training programs.

The College programs are part of a statewide program that began last year. Called Team Oregon, the College is one of six areas in the state to have a motorcycle rider training site, and Galloway was named site coordinator for the College programs.

Galloway has been with the College since 1978 and has been involved in motorcycle rider programs for eight years. Her background in this field boasts an impressive list of serving in various organizations and receiving awards. For example, last year she was awarded a certificate recognizing the College as the only training site to train more people than what they were contracted for, and in March she was told she would be receiving a plaque in outstanding achievement from the 1984 Motorcycle Safety Foundation Awards Program.

The two programs the College offers are called Motorcycle Rider Course (MRC) and Better Biking Program (BBP). Galloway explained the MRC, which is developed by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation, is a 20-hour pro-



**READY TO ROLL--Motorcycle rider course coordinator Sandy Galloway shows off Kawasaki 4-wheel ATV that was donated for her use by Taylor Hon-**

gram designed to teach people how to ride a motorcycle properly and safely, as well as what apparel to wear.

"It helps them understand all the ins and outs of riding," she said in regards to the course, which is made up of classroom work and actual riding on a simulated road course located by Randall Hall. The class is limited to 24 students and costs \$20, including insurance. Students who successfully complete the course will receive completion cards and will be eligible for a discount on insurance rates.

da/Kawasaki. ATV helps Galloway travel across driving courses as she has severe arthritis and muscular problems.

Photo by Dan Wheeler

The next MRC begins today, June 5 and is filled, but Galloway said another class is scheduled for June 19 with a few openings left as of press time. Basic skills such as how to start a motorcycle are taught, as well as front wheel braking, quick lane change and counter steering techniques. "When they (students) leave here they know what their capabilities are," Galloway said.

BBP is a one-day class designed for more experienced riders. The focus of this class is accident avoidance and

costs \$10. A BBP class is scheduled for June 22, and Galloway said there are some openings left in it as well. More information can be obtained by contacting the Community Education Department at ext. 230. Galloway stressed the importance of taking such a course, even if it is for experienced riders.

"What is taking a day and \$10 when it's a course that could save your life," she said.

The College will have 14 motorcycles ready for use for the MRC class, all of which have been donated by local dealers. One dealer, Taylor Honda/Kawasaki even donated an ATV (altering vehicle) for Galloway to help her get about on the rider course, as she has had to spend more time in a wheelchair the past year due to severe arthritis and muscular problems.

Galloway manages to put her health problems aside, though, when dealing with the motorcycle courses. An avid motorcyclist herself, Galloway did say she misses not being able to ride alone anymore. "I think the thing I miss most is my motorcycle," she said. She added, "A lot of people have said, 'Why don't you quit this?' I'd go stark raving mad if I wasn't involved."

For Galloway the most important thing to her is continuing to be involved in the motorcycle courses, which are currently being taught by eight instructors. "I want to see as many riders trained as we can possibly do," she said.

# Future students to be contacted by College

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With summer vacation close at hand, the enrollment management plan at Clackmas

Community College will now focus its efforts on keeping in contact with prospective students between now and fall term.

"A lot of our planning is aimed at the future," Lee Fawcett, assistant dean of student services and head of the plan's Marketing Task Force

said. He explained that a prospective student list started in March currently shows there are more than 1,000 names for the College to work with.

"Once we get the name of a prospective student we want to keep in contact with that student," Fawcett said, adding, "I would anticipate looking ahead to the fall of '86 we will have more names on the prospective student list."

Besides mailing College information to the prospective students, Fawcett said those students who do apply will be kept in contact with the college through admissions. He ex-

plained that last year 40 percent of the students who applied later dropped, and although this isn't unusual, Fawcett said he would like to reduce that amount. "I'd be happy if we could reduce that number from 40 to 35 percent," he said.

The names on the list have been gathered from a variety of College sources. Fawcett said one major source has been College counselors making contacts in local high schools. Overall, though, Fawcett said many College departments have been involved in the aim to increase enrollment.

In addition to contacting students over the summer, Fawcett said a possible open house in the fall and more short-term classes are other enrollment-boosting strategies for the College. He added that the Spring Break courses, the first short-term courses offered by the College, brought in an FTE of 2.5, which equals about \$2500 in state funding.

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