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Edginton will end service

by Marie Stoppelmoor Features Editor

Bette Edginton, savior of stray animals and dedicated mail carrier, is retiring.

Edginton has been delivering mail around the Clackamas Community College campus since 1973. It was estimated by her boss, Neil Williams, that she has delivered seven million pieced of mail since she has been here. "That's too many," Edginton jokes.

Before coming to CCC, Edginton held a variety of jobs including beautician, wife, grocery clerk, mother of two, matron at the jail, office cleaner and clerk in the tax department in the Oregon City courthouse.

Rain or sleet or fire?

One of Edginton's most memorable days working as a mail carrier was in 1984 when she got the mail through even though a building near the mail office was on fire.

After 14 years what Edginton likes about her job is "I like the people and the job (sorting and delivery), but it's getting really hard."

So at 66 years of age, Edgin-



Bette Edginton

ton decided to retire and pursue her personal interests.

"Her nickname on campus," according to her co-workers, "is Blazer Bette."

Edginton confirms this, stating that her favorite TrailBlazer is Jerome Kersey.

"This is the first year in 10 years that I haven't gone to every home Blazer game," Edginton added.

"I'm also very much an animal lover," Edginton says, "I feed every stray in the county. Cats are my big love." They love her back stroke.

Edginton's co-worker, Jeannette Kmetic, says the joke around the office is "we'll be reincarnated as cats and go to Bette's house."

One of the most significant (and happy) events in Edginton's recent life is the birth of her granddaughter. They plan to spend a lot of the summer together.

What does Edginton plan for her retirement?

"I may go to Hawaii this summer and I have a lot of cleaning and yardwork I'd like to do. I can't just sit around," answered Edginton.

Her co-workers wish to say: "She's not only a good employee," says Neil Williams, "but a good friend."

"I'm happy for her," said Jeanette Kmetic, "but not for us. We'll miss her."

Cooperative work expansion planned

by Mary Prath Staff Writer

Clackamas Community College has had Cooperative Work Experience Education for 19 years. The areas the Co-op work experience has been in is vocational jobs such as welding, mechanics, and business related jobs. CCC would like to expand those areas for the benefit of students.

Kit Youngren and David Dickson are working on a proposal for the federal government to approve funds. Mel Hostager is on the committee for the project.

"We are trying to expand the Work Experience Project to academic areas, such as English, Math, Science, History, and Psychology..." explained Mel Hostager. Hostager has been involved with the Work Experience Program from the beginning.

Title VIII of the Higher Education Act offers an opportunity, through federal funding, to support the expansion of cooperative education in areas other than Vocational jobs. The benefits of this program to the student are job experience, and ability to relate the theory learned in the classroom to practice, and receive a total education. Another benefit of the program is earned money, much needed by most college students.

What is involved in CO-OP? A lot of guidelines. In order to secure CO-OP course credit you must be gainfully employed at least 10-20 hours per week in a job that is directly related to your major course of study. You also must be able to set and accomplish (with the assistance of your work supervisor) meaningful and measurable learning objectives (task-oriented goals) that will significantly improve your performance and productivity on the job. The student and supervisor might set objectives aimed at improving performance on existing job tasks and responsibilities; set objectives that will teach additional skills, or work in areas other than those the student has already mastered. An example objective would be: "Improve Continued on page 3

McDowell constructs new signs

by Heleen Veenstra

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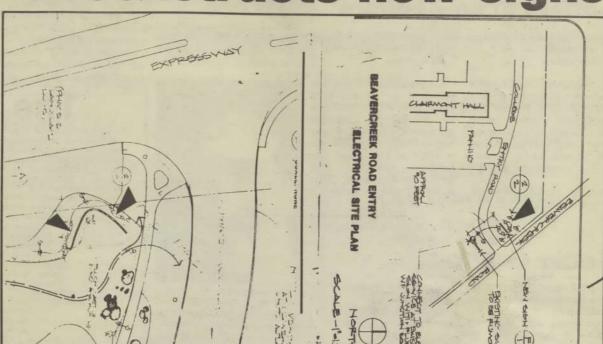
Bids for the new signs for the front and back entrance of Clackamas Community College were opened Monday, May 18.

The bid went to Ralph McDowell Company for \$38,000. The board will make an official decision at their June 3 meeting whether or not to take the bid.

In November new signs and landscaping was up for bids, but with taking on a new logo, everything was put on hold.

"Before the bids we could see it would cost more than budgetted." Bill Ryan, Administrative Dean of College Services and Planning said. Now, the landscaping is cancelled and the bids for the signs are done.

The signs were budgetted for this year, but once its up for bids, the money can be carried over to next year, Ryan explained.



The front entrance sign will be an S-shaped brick wall which will display three signs. The new back entrance will be on the other side

of the road, while the old sign will be removed. The arrows indicate where the new signs will be located.

