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# Gebbie speaks on AIDS

by Heleen Veenstra  
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"I see our system as a fabric. I see AIDS as one of those things that threatens to pull it apart."

Kristine Gebbie, State Health Administrator, was on campus yesterday to address the 60 women gathered for the Fall Term issues breakfast, sponsored by the Focus on Women Program.

Gebbie's emphasis in the hour-long talk was on the crucial need for education to combat the spread of AIDS and other sexually-transmitted diseases.

"Every Oregonian needs to make wise choices about sexual practices and needle practices. A key to that is making sexual choices something appropriate to talk about."

When AIDS was first discovered there were many misconceptions about how it is transmitted, Gebbie said. People were told to avoid body fluids, "even tears, sweat and saliva. People thought 'If I touch a damp human being, I am in danger of getting AIDS.'"

Fears like that are the reason that AIDS education materials



photo by Heleen Veenstra

Focus on Women committee members Gayle O'Toole (l.) and Donna Ford meet with State Health Administrator Kristine Gebbie (r.) Tuesday morning.

are being distributed by the Health Division. Gebbie showed some brochures published by the Health Division, and talked about the new posters which will be available at colleges. The posters are "fairly erotic" and have the theme that "condoms can be sexy, and condoms can be shared."

"People are very understanding of the fact that we have to be very blunt to get ahead of this epidemic."

Gebbie pointed out that one of the main problems is that people don't want to see that AIDS is happening in every community, including theirs. When a study was done on how counties responded to the problem of AIDS, the researchers came across one county that responded by saying, "We only have one gay in our community and he is not active these days!"

Gebbie has a positive attitude towards the effect that education

about AIDS has on the people. "I think we are coming to grips with it. The ad campaign is an excellent example of the way this State is progressive in dealing with the problems."

Gebbie was referring to the newly-created anti-AIDS campaign, which includes TV spots, billboards and print ads.

"You can protect yourself from this disease," Gebbie added, "by the choices you make for yourself."

# Insurance offered to students

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Clackamas Community College has acquired a new form of insurance available to students and their dependents for the 1987-88 school year.

The Student Accident and Illness Expense Insurance is open to students carrying a minimum of six credits per term. Students who are not fully covered by their existing plan, might consider adding this as a supplement or using this as their primary insurance plan.

Students may purchase coverage on a term by term basis or with a one time payment for the entire year. Coverage can only be purchased during registration each quarter. The cost is as follows: For students aged 40 and under insurance for one quarter is \$49 or coverage for a full year is \$149. For students with one or more dependents the cost of the coverage is currently at \$107-\$144 per quarter or \$365-\$493 per year. Students aged 41-65, coverage is available at \$75 per quarter or \$254 per year.

The plan covers up to \$25,000 per covered accident or illness and some exclusions apply. A full schedule of benefits and exclusions are listed in a brochure available in the Community Center at the activities window.

# New entrance signs greet college visitors

by E.A. Berg  
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Three months and \$40,000 later, the new college entrance signs are nearly complete.

According to Bill Ryan, Administrative Dean of College Services and Planning, minor excavating and the relocation of a power pole near the Beaver-creek Road sign needs to be completed to gain maximum visibility. He added that the college is considering changing the current aqua-colored letters on the signs to larger white ones in the next four to five months.

The money to construct the signs came from the college's Capital Improvement Fund and state highway funds from the reimbursement of college land for the Oregon City by-pass.

Neale Frothingham, Associated Student Government President, said the cost of the signs is equivalent to a full-year, four-dollar per term tuition increase. Frothingham said that he is opposed to more money for the signs.



Photo by Beth Coffey

It took three months to complete the entrance signs for the college's facelift. This sign can be seen from Beaver-creek Road. Changes may be made to the signs, which have been described as "too small."

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