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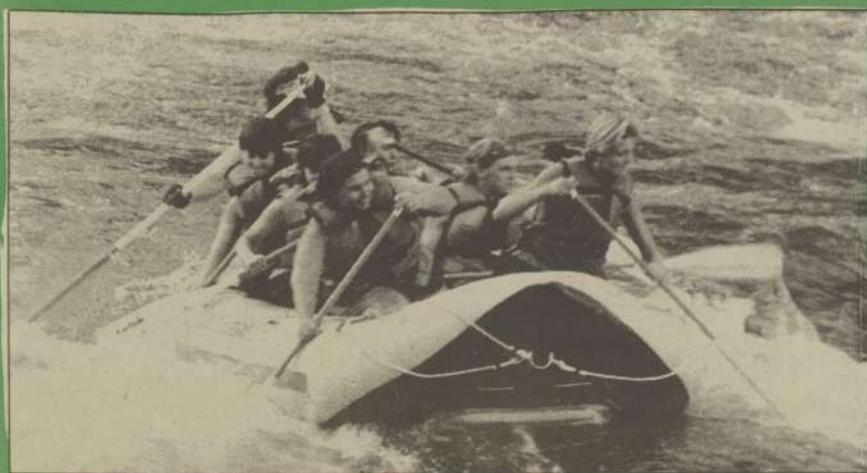
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STAFF RETREAT- Boat two maneuvers their way through a set of rapids last Friday. More photographs on pages 4 and 5.

## College to enter semester school year

by Caree Hussey  
Feature Editor

"I don't think it would be a major catastrophe," stated John Hooley, assistant dean/humanities and social sciences.

The state system of higher education (meaning four year schools) has decided to go from the term to the semester system. It is called the "early" semester system which means that students will attend 15 weeks of classes before Christmas. There would be a long break and school would start again in the middle of January. If all goes well this will start in 1990.

The board at CCC has voted to plan to go to semesters, but not necessarily to do it. However, many colleges and universities are planning on going to the semester system, so in the interest of students and their transfer problems community colleges may be forced to do the same.

Research on the subject has revealed that fewer students complete semesters than quarters and those that do complete semesters do so

with fewer credits. Students will pay about the same for a year of instruction and the teaching time will be about the same. Unfortunately, many one term courses will have to either be expanded or eliminated, which will limit choices for students. Another possible problem with this program is the fact that logging, tourism and farmwork are much busier in September than in May or June so students who opt to attend school rather than work during that time will be losing out on job opportunities and those industries that depend on students will also be losing out.

"The difference with community college students is that many have family and job responsibilities," commented Hooley. "Students often have to drop out for reasons that have nothing to do with school; sometimes they can hang in there for a couple of more weeks to finish the term, but hanging in there for another six weeks to finish the semester might be difficult, it's not a huge difference in completion but it is significant."

## Trotta named to new position

by Heleen Veenstra  
Editor

"I didn't think I was going to get the position. I was really surprised," said Tony Trotta, student at Clackamas Community College, and representative for the 13 colleges in Oregon.

The position of college representative was newly created to form a liaison between the OCCA (Oregon Community College Association) and CCOSAC (Community Colleges of Oregon Student Association and Commissions). Trotta is the first representative.

"I applied because I was interested in community colleges and interested in the programs student governments were involved in. It's important to have a strong student government because it is the only way we have a voice."

Trotta was sworn in at the CCOSAC meeting in Pendleton. There he met all the ASG presidents and sat in on their meeting to get information to provide to OCCA at their Nov. 23 meeting. "This position that I took is based on providing accurate information for both organizations."

CCOSAC, which is the 13 community colleges, came up with five goals which Trotta has to present to the OCCA board. The five goals are: learn CPR, have a workshop for presidents on leadership techniques, reestablish commissions, unify elections for each college to have the new ASG representatives by

May, and to develop a legislative platform for 1989-90 legislation.

"I like the idea of being active in the lobbying process, since the OCCA is a lobbying organization," is how Trotta feels about his new position. About the first CCOSAC meeting he attended he expressed, "I thought that it was interesting. I think there is a lot of motivated people on the board. I was very impressed by their first meeting."

Trotta sees this position as a "one year commitment, but it should be interesting because I get to go to workshops, leadership workshops. So there are other benefits with that concerned."

Trotta is a first year student at

Clackamas. He is taking the waste water program here, and has a Bachelors in Biology from the University of Oregon.

"If anybody has any questions they can come up to me. I'm certainly open for that," Trotta concluded.

Neale Frothingham, ASG president, expressed, "I think it's a great honor that all 13 community colleges selected a Clackamas student to represent them to a state organization as prestigious as OCCA. I'd like to offer my personal congratulations to Tony Trotta."

## 'College Guarantee' proposed

by E.A. Berg  
Staff Writer

The College Board reacted positively to a "College Guarantee" proposal presented by College President John Keyser Oct. 14.

"The Clackamas Guarantee for College Transfer and Career Courses," says, "Clackamas Community College will refund the tuition of any graduate for any course passed at CCC with at least a 'C' grade if that earned course credit does not qualify for transfer to an Oregon public college or university within two years of graduation from Clackamas. Such classes must be listed as transferrable on the transferrable institution's official curriculum guide sheets, dated July, 1987, or thereafter, on file in the Counseling Office.

"Any graduate of an

associate's degree program in occupational studies judged by the employer as lacking in technical job skills normally expected of an entry-level employee will provide further skill training of up to 16 tuition-free hours," the proposal continues.

Keyser told the board that the guarantee is a "public relations device" which has been adopted by many community colleges over the last five years. Currently, Linn-Benton and Clatsop are Oregon's only community colleges with a similar policy.

"Basically this is a way of saying to the public that we're doing a good job out here and we're trying to stand behind our education," said Keyser prior to the meeting. "Students will know that if they conform to their part, we'll conform to

ours."

Under the proposal, which will be voted on by the board on Nov. 4, an "employer must certify in writing that the employee is lacking specific job level-entry skills, and must specify the area(s) of skill deficiency within 90 days of the graduate's initial employment."

The college will waive tuition for courses to re-train the graduate.

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TONY TROTTA- New Clackamas liason to CCOSAC.

