Whether it's Elvis returning from the dead or the national debt continuing to rise, 1988 holds questions, mysteries, and surprises. See 1988 predictions on page 3.

The Clackamas Community College men's basketball team travels to Roseburg to contend with Umpqua Community College tonight at 8p.m. See Men's basketball off to good start

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College's Friends plan for levy

by Heleen Veenstra

"It's pretty ambitious to have a different campaign group for each of the eight communities," stated David Dickson, development officer, about the campaign strategy for the March levy elec-

Eight Friends groups from the following communities: Oregon City, West Linn, Gladstone, N. Clackamas, Estacada, Molalla/Colton, Canby, and Wilsonville/Charbonneau will develop a strategy and present that to the people of their com-

Each Friends group consists of a Chair (community member), a staff representative, and a student representative. The main goal of the campaign is to conduct local election campaigns with a result of a successful March election.

"When I asked the question what do we need to do this time to pass the election' I got quite some input," Dickson said explaining how the idea for this

campaign came about.

The input suggested that for the next election the college had to be more visible and should have a better campaign. "I kept hearing to tailor your message. That you can't have a campaign for the whole county."

The facts about the March election are: The Clackamas Community College Board is requesting a \$1.32 per \$1,000 over a two-year, rate based serial levy. This is a five cent decrease from the requested rate in November, but a seven cent increase over the current rate. "My expectation is that if we didn't change anything (the rate) we would lose.

"I hope they (the community) will react to it as 'well the Board listened and lowered the rate' and that's a plus," Dickson commented on how he thinks the people will react to the new rate.

The March election is a mail-in ballot, with the election day March 22 and March 5 the projected date for receipt of the ballots.

In November the levy was defeated by 53 percent NO to a

47 percent YES. Dickson said about the past election "people are very willing to vote YES if it is a frozen rate. Voters are very aware of the rate."

The objectives for the campaign are to attain a targeted number of YES voters, to develop strong Friends groups in each community, to increase the understanding within each community of the college's contributions to that community, to touch all segments of the community with the campaign, especially the less informed, and to listen to the tax paying public and respond to their concerns and questions.

"I think that what we need to get to the voters is number one, we have listened to the voters. The second message is that they are getting their money's worth. The third piece is that the college creates life time opportunities for success. We have to really get that message out,'

To sum everything up, Dickson expressed "I'm quite excited about it. My expectation is we will win!"

Two arts' work



"Dichotomy of Passion" is one of the two large scale sculptures built by David Fish and Judith Wyss on display in the Pauling Gallery. Several smaller sculptures are also displayed in addition to one wall dedicated to black and white photographs of other work by the two artists. The show, entitled "Assemblage, has been running since January 6 and will continue through

Textbook in development by staff geared for community college student

by Tom Golden Staff Writer

"Community college students want a math book that won't be threatening to them." With that in mind Jim Streeter, Chairman of the Mathematics and Engineering Department at CCC, is currently working on his third textbook for the community college math student. The first two books, a basic math book and a beginning algebra text, were cowritten with Gerald Alexander (retired). Currently, Streeter is

developing an intermediate algebra text with faculty member Don Hutchison. The books are published by Macgraw-Hill.

Why have Streeter and his cohorts put the time and energy into such a monumental task as writing these texts? Streeter cites number of reasons: "Sometimes the way a book is laid out is threatening. The A-V course math labs (Harper and Row) that I worked on got good reactions from students. They like the style, they like the presentation and they enjoy using them. We've made a real attempt to write books that the community college student can use.'

Finding the time to do the work is a small challenge but still a challenge according to Streeter. "There's always time. I'm a weekend and evening worker. The technology (word processors, micro-computers) has helped a lot."

Streeter also has gotten help with revision of the old texts and development of the new text from instructors around the country. "It certainly helps to have instructors teach from your material. I've received letters from people around the country as well as feedback from our own staff. I'm learning a lot about the revision process." The texts, though used mainly by community colleges, have also received, "some four year use in college developmental programs."

With a manuscript for the new book and revisions on the previous two texts due January of 1988, Streeter and Hutchison have been busy finishing up the projects. Streeter says the work is not just a chore. "It's something I enjoy doing or wouldn't do it. I enjoy the challenge of it."

Keyser to recommend against semester system

College President John S. Keyser will advise the College Board tonight to urge the State System of Higher Education to cease its plan to convert to a semester system.

"I'll basically recommend that we address a letter to the appropriate people asking that the semester system be put on an indefinite hold," said Keyser. He added that several other Oregon community colleges have taken a similar stance.

The Board will not be deciding whether to convert regardless of the state's decision. Keyser said he knows of three community colleges that have chosen to stay on the current term system. "We have another five or six months before we have to make that tough decision," he said.

The announced resignation of William "Bud " Chancellor of the State System of Higher Education, may put a stop to the semester system, said Keyser. Davis has been an advocate of such a system.



Jim Streeter, head of the math department, discusses calculus with Cami White.

