



Photo by Beth Coffey

College officials have expressed concern over the college entrance on Beaver Creek Road.

## News briefs

### Job to be filled

Marcia Coker, department chairperson, Employee and Management Development, will be recommended to the College Board as the new Assistant Dean of Off Campus Instruction, according to Lyle Reese, dean of instruction.

If approved, she will replace Bob Ellis, who left the assistant dean position to become Director of the Business Center of Clackamas County.

### Tuition rise

Starting this summer term, students taking over 19 credit hours will be paying \$23 per extra credit.

Alternatives, according to Bill Symes, Public Information Supervisor, were to raise the tax levy or to cut programs. Symes noted that Clackamas taxpayers already pay 55 percent of the community college's tuition as opposed to the states average of 48 percent. Symes said that expected revenue will be \$2,283,735.

Currently, extra tuition is charged to students taking more than 21 credits. There is approximately 250 students this term with more than 19 credit hours.

### NCC month

February has been designated as National Community College Month, and this years theme is "Community Colleges: Where America Goes to College."

The community college share of total undergraduate students nationality has increased steadily for the past 10 years, according to the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges. Enrollment in community, junior, and technical

colleges represent 41 percent of all undergraduates in the United States and junior colleges are the choice for 55 percent of first-time freshman.

More than 21,600 students took classes at Clackamas Community College in 1986-87, ranging from six to 98 years of age.

### Breakfast set

"Women and Career Transition- Making Change Positive" is the title of a Feb. 10 breakfast in the Small Dining Room.

Marilynne Keyser, Oregon deputy secretary of state, will be the speaker. Pre-register by calling ext. 204. The cost is \$4.50.

### PTK: new club

Phi Theta Kappa, the honor fraternity, is going through an organizational phase here on campus, according to its newly elected president, Clackamas Community College student Jim Evans.

According to Evans, approximately 70 students have been attending the recent meetings. The fraternity is in the process of being recognized as an official campus club as well, he said.

Students earning a 3.5 GPA or above are eligible to join. Interested students should contact Chemistry instructor Dave Arter.

### Art exhibit

Portland painter Paul Missal and ceramist Sandra Green will display their art in the Pauling Gallery Feb. 3-26.

The exhibit opening will be Feb. 3 from 7-9 p.m. A workshop will be held Feb. 3 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call ext. 386 for more information.

### Urban renewal...

## Plan proposes changes

by Lisa Graham  
Staff Writer

A sky-bridge over McLoughlin is among the urban renewal changes Milwaukie residents will be voting on March 22. The Milwaukie urban renewal plan proposes changes concerning the repair of streets, sewer lines, water lines and the relocation of the Milwaukie boat launch.

The plan was adopted by the Milwaukie city council in November of 1987. A petition from residents demanded that the issue be voted on. If adopted, the urban renewal plan will take place over the

next 19 years and will carry a price tag of \$12 million.

Also included in the plans is better access and a gate to control access to Elk Rock Island. This is an uninhabited island in the middle of the Willamette River by the Oak Grove area.

The purchase and consolidation of 13 different properties along the river front is also being considered. According to Bill Adams, the Community Developer, the area is being discussed for the development of a small motel, restaurant, or office. A public open-space and a walkway long the river front are also being considered.

## Safety a concern at intersection

by Michelle K. Taylor  
Staff Writer

With the opening of the Oregon City bypass the amount of traffic through the Beaver Creek Road exit at CCC has increased dramatically. Because of this increase the safety personnel at CCC are expressing some

concern.

Bill Ryan, dean of college services and planning, is currently working on getting a federal road grant for the college to improve the roads on that intersection.

"Accidents have only taken place during times that college is in session," says Stan Johnson,

Chief of Public Safety here at CCC. He also commented that the "Majority of accidents seem to involve rear end collisions and inattention of drivers.

Johnson seems to feel that expanding the road and putting in a left turn lane along with an amber warning light would improve the situation.

### Levy election strategy...

## Back to the grass roots

by Heleen Veenstra  
Editor

"Basically the strategy for running the election is really been transferred from a college based effort to just get the information out, to a real grass roots effort to support the college and it is very gratifying for me to see that," expressed David Dickson, Assistant to the President, about the campaign strategies of the eight Friends Groups in this district, for the March 22 levy election.

The way the campaigns are coming along is from "fairly good to outstanding, and I'd say we've at least six of the eight communities that are absolutely on top of it, and they are doing a tremendous job."

President Keyser said that the

reason he thinks the Friends Groups strategy works so well is "because they are so close to the uniqueness of each community. They're certainly in the position to divide strategies that will work better.

"It's interesting because although staff here at the college have a very strong personal stake in the election, I think we are a little shy about going out and asking for the community support, because there is a direct benefit. The community people have taken what we thought was possible and kicked it up about three notches, in terms of the amount they want to raise for the election, in terms of the things they are willing to do," Dickson stated.

Some of the projects the Friends Groups are working on

is lawn signs, mailings, presenting information at grocery stores, and forums. "A lot of traditional campaign efforts reaches the already informed. But people who go to the grocery store on Saturdays are as likely to be non voters or uninformed voters as informed and that is a good way to reach a general cross section of the population," Dickson said about the grocery store strategy.

The purpose of the forums is to invite the community to ask questions and raise concerns to the local Friends Group and Keyser. "It's our attempt to both give them the facts and also listen to the community's perspective and any concerns they might have," stated Dickson.

The approach of the Friends Groups to the community is very personal and works so well, according to Dickson, because, "people tend to listen to what their neighbors say, or their friends say, much more than they would tend to listen to an advertisement or something that was more slickly produced. I think part of any election campaign is not a one way communication, but a two way."

Passing an election with a tax increase is hard but "I think we'll win. I think we are going to have to work hard to win and it will be very close," Keyser pointed out.

The key according to Dickson is to turn the uninformed voters around and "then I still think it is going to be close. But I'm optimistic because I think we do have a very grass roots campaign set up and I think that we can turn it around and win this one."

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