Architects discuss phase plans

Representatives of Reddaway Associates and ROMA, two architectural firms, were at Clackamas Community College Wednesday, Dec. 1, to discuss their plans for the second and third phases of construction at the college.

Reddaway Associates is a local architectural firm and the contract for construction at CCC is through them. ROMA is a San Francisco-based operation that has worked on a number of California colleges and has been hired by Reddaway Associates as a consultant.

The architects gave three presentations showing what they had come up with based on the information and space requirements

given them by the five sub-planning groups set up by the college's Long Range Planning committee.

One of the architects' main concerns is softening the hardness of the campus; a complaint that many college and community members have voiced over the years.

"We want to emphasize that we're getting away from large buildings," said Richard Bonniksen, a representative of ROMA.

The new buildings, with few exceptions, will be one-story in height. According to Bonniksen, the main advantage of one-story buildings are lowered costs of construction and easy accessibility of facilities to handicapped students.

The architects showed a number of representing different landscape is implemented by other colleges and sthe importance of landscaping in a construction.

Bonniksen criticized the work of first architectural firm saying the yard between the Community Center ding and Barlow Hall was "not active he feels that the lack of life in the yard is due to its size. The architecturism much smaller areas to study a lack in

Copies of the architects' final planss soon be available as they brought their before the college's Board of Educationight.

Machine shop provides opportunity for blind

Clackamas Community College is the only college in the United States which handles a machine shop program for blind and handicapped people.

Rusty Harris, a machine shop teacher, established this program for the blind and handicapped. Mark Smith and Ernest Whisenant are also participating in the program as qualified teachers.

Charles Orto was chosen by the Canadian government to bring the machine shop program to Canada after completing required courses here at CCC.

Orto came to CCC on Sept. 26, 1975, and will be returning home Saturday. His classes were paid for through vocational rehabilitation services run by the federal

government and the Canadian National Institute for the Blind.

"I plan to sell this machine shop program to the Canadian government and the people. This is an excellent program for the blind and handicapped, in that they may be employed in machine shop jobs all over the country," said Orto when asked what he plans to do when he returns home to Portage La Prairie, Manitoba, Canada.

Besides taking four terms of machine shop, Orto was also enrolled in psychology, health, English, music, physics, and math. Orto is now a qualified machine operator. He took 13 credit hours his first term, 19 his second, 24his third, and 27 credit hours this fall.

"I'm happy that the courses have finally finished, it has been a lucky year for me, and I'll always remember the pleasant times that I had here," said Orto.

"I thank every one here at CCC. If it wasn't for the kindness and help from my fellow students and teachers, I don't think I could have made it through the courses," said Orto.

"I'm not too proud to take the hand of a fellow student in order to make my way over to another building so as to be to my class on time," said Orto who has been blind for several years.

"I will be coming back to school this summer in order to visit my friends and find out how the fishing is in Oregon. I haven't even fished for sardines," said Orto.



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