

New counselor to promote CCC

"I will be designing several projects to promote Clackamas Community College to the school students," said Dick Baker, a counselor.

Baker has been counseling at Gladstone High School, (GHS), for 10 years. While keeping his residence in Gladstone with his wife and two sons, Baker is taking a leave from GHS for the 1976-77 school year to counsel at various colleges.

Baker was an admissions counselor at Portland State University for fall term, and Pacific University for winter term. For spring term he is presently a full-time counselor at CCC. He'll be working on some special projects, which will include visiting several high schools throughout the Clackamas area to promote a better image of community colleges.

"The general public doesn't realize that

CCC offers a lot of good, tough classes, and has a lot of really excellent instructors," said Baker.

Also in the immediate future, Baker will be developing the criteria for classes by which to receive a high school diploma.

"It's difficult to contrast high school with college students, because the students' attitudes are so different," said Baker. "College students are more serious, being much more concerned with their future, and with 'finding themselves'."

"I've had an interesting and enjoyable year working in colleges, but I'm also very much looking forward to returning to GHS," said Baker. "It's much easier getting to know the high school students personally because they're around school more and don't have as many outside concerns as college students do."



Dick Baker... new addition to counseling dept.

Foreign students experience agricultural life

Explaining farming and agriculture isn't very easy when explaining to foreign students.

As a result of this slight communication barrier, Clackamas Community College agriculture instructor, Dave Meyers, recently took 11 foreign students on a tour of two local crop farms and one dairy farm.

The students were from Lewis and Clark College and were Iranian, Arabian, and Japanese.

"I think they thoroughly enjoyed the trip," said Meyers. "They were especially impressed with the dairy farm."

The farms visited were farms near Canby and the owners were people who are in the Farm Business Management class at CCC.

This course, taught by Jack Thorsen lasts a minimum of three years and often extends indefinitely. Class participants are required to come to the college classes and

the instructors also visit the farms on an individual basis.

The foreign students had the opportunity to see how an American agricultural community lives and they also saw how much work is involved in running a farm.

"The students were impressed with the amount of money that equipment costs," said Meyers. Many of the students could not comprehend why a tractor costs so much and why a farmer had four or five. Most of the countries they come from would have one small tractor and maybe 20 acres."

Meyers felt it was a good experience for the students and if there is continued interest he said the trips would be taken periodically.

Any interested persons from CCC or other schools are invited to contact Meyers and arrangements can be made for trips.

Tax problems cited

Oregonians who file their tax returns at the last minute may have to wait longer than usual if there are any errors in them.

"Last minute filers tend to make more errors than those who file earlier in the year and these taxpayer errors frequently delay processing of returns at IRS Service Centers until the mistakes can be resolved," said Ralph B. Short, Internal Revenue Service district director for Oregon.

When errors are detected the return must be taken from the processing cycle and held until the problem is solved.

Taxpayers filing late should also use the preaddressed label at the top of their return and mail their return to the IRS in the coded envelope provided with their tax package to speed up the process.

Internal Revenue Service offices throughout Oregon will be open extra hours to provide assistance to taxpayers preparing their Federal income tax returns.

The statewide toll-free telephone assistance will be available on Saturday, April 9, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, April 11 to 14 and from 8:30 a.m. to 6:45 p.m. on Friday, April 15.

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