

Project to assist area handicapped

Resource center proposed

The human services department at Clackamas Community College is working on a project that will give handicapped adults in Clackamas County an opportunity to provide a real service to county residents.

Jerry Jamison, director of human services at CCC, is working with county and state officials to develop a handicapped resource center. The center would operate a program with three major thrusts.

First it would act as an inter-agency referral and advocate center to secure community services for the handicapped.

"There are approximately 20,000 adult

handicapped in Clackamas County who qualify for services but these services are fragmented," said Jamison. "There are 15 state agencies which have services pertaining to the handicapped and no comprehensive plan."

The second thrust of the program would be to act as a focal point for organizing self-help activities for handicapped adults.

"Handicapped adults tell me that they want to be treated as a community resource rather than a community detriment," said Jamison. "Many of the needs of the handicapped can be met for and by themselves."

The third thrust of the program is to do this by providing community services to the handicapped, according to Jamison.

"In the practicum class I teach I was having trouble finding places for handicapped students in community service even though they are volunteers, they're handicapped," said Jamison.

"From our point of view the most exciting," he said, "is to get the handicapped involved in providing a community service."

He hopes to do this by setting up a centralized information and referral center at the CCC campus to be staffed and operated by handicapped persons.

The center would include a 24-hour free telephone and would provide information on county services available to the general public.

"The three general goals of the program are to respond to the needs of the handicapped for education, employment and enrichment," said Jamison.

Jamison hopes to have the handicapped resource center established in a building on the campus with a coordinator and a telephone system by September.

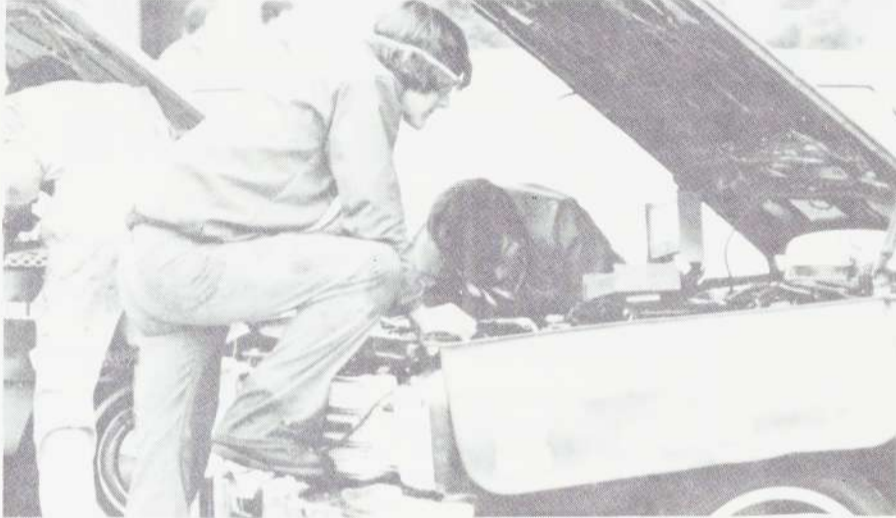


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Two Oregon high school students work out the "bugs" during a Plymouth Trouble Shooting Contest at CCC. Winners advanced to Atlantic City for the nationals.

CCC hosts Plymouth Trouble Shooting contest

High school students from throughout Oregon met earlier this week in the parking lot behind Barlow Hall to compete in the 1977 Plymouth Trouble shooting contest. The contestants, working in teams of two, were given a new Plymouth Volare to work on.

The cars had previously been tampered with so that each car had the same number of malfunctions. In this contest there were seven. Teams were timed against the clock to make the cars run according to all factory specifications.

The contest, usually lasting about 18 minutes, lingered on in the rain for 90 minutes. Eagle Point High School was the first team to get their car running and to the judges.

When all the written scores and mechanical competition were tallied Eagle Point won first place, Sprague High School second, and Junction City came in third. Roseburg

won for the highest score on the written test.

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