

Cougar print

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Photo by Jenni Wheeler

Pyramid power is put to the test on the lawn between Barlow Hall and the Community Center building. This was just one of the many exhibits on display during the Experimental Energy Exposition held at Clackamas Community College last week. See related story on page 3.

Faculty and students urged to vote

Budget goes before voters again

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Clackamas Community College students and faculty who plan to return next year should make an effort to get out and vote on the budget levy on May 24 and to get others to do so.

According to Howard Fryett, election steering committee chairman, it will be August 19 before it can go before the public again if the budget doesn't pass this time.

This would mean that programs for next year could be sharply curtailed. Without voter approval, CCC has no local money; money which accounts for about 43 percent of the total budget.

"Until we have that we can't plan any programs or plan on money from the state or federal funds," said Bill Shreve, public information officer.

According to Shreve, the state money is dependent on programs being offered. However since programs can't be planned until the budget is approved it is essential for the college that the levy be passed next Tuesday.

More than 8,000 students enroll here each quarter. Students show that they come to CCC because of its low cost, because in-

structional quality is high, it is close to home and it offers a broad range of special programs.

Also affected by the budget election are the more than 30,000 non-students who attend campus functions such as workshops, clinics, conferences and meetings.

The highly popular community school programs will feel the effects of the levy vote. If it fails the programs will be discontinued along with those of the college due to lack of funds.

Fryett and his steering committee are coordinating a massive effort to get people out to vote.

They are asking the staff to write personal messages to friends to remind them to vote, sending post cards to the general public and working on a mass telephone campaign to call voters on election day to get them to the polls.

They are also sending 7,000 flyers to community schools in every public school district to remind them that their fate is riding on this election too.

Students are also participating in the campaign effort. Phi Beta Lambda, the campus business organization, will be distributing 3,000 flyers on campus and there are plans to allow instructors to take entire

Federal vet law repealed

Federal Law 94-502 has been repealed. Educational benefits for veterans will not be interrupted during the fall session.

"The new agreement allows us to certify students for fall session as early as June 20," said Mike Umbras, veterans administration (VA) representative at Clackamas Community College. "In order to receive continuing benefits a vet should pre-register for fall term when he registers for summer session."

The change will not affect veterans who do not plan to attend summer session. Vets who wish to attend school in the fall, but not in the summer, should register with the VA office by Aug. 15, Umbras said.

Both Umbras and Reggie Latham, Cougar Vets president, attribute the recent change to letter campaigns.

"The registrars of all Oregon institutions got together and created a uniform pre-registration form," Umbras said. "During the meeting they were kind enough to write a joint letter to the legislature. The colleges really lent support where it was needed."

"Nobody is going to be concerned with someone who isn't concerned with himself," Latham said. "Letters to legislators showed the amount of concern."

Cougar vets will not cease to exist just because one obstacle has been overcome. "We plan to pursue legislation in the Oregon Legislature that would provide tuition free education for Oregon veterans at Oregon institutions," Latham said.

classes to the County Courthouse in Oregon City to vote.

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Dr. Howard Fryett
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