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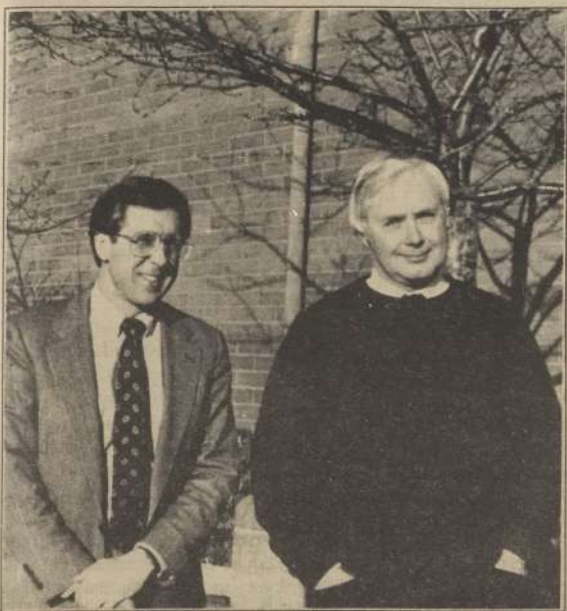
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Clackamas Community College

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CCC bond levy narrowly approved



The efforts of Clackamas President John Keyser (left) and Chair of Friends of Clackamas Community College Larry McIntyre may have been just what the college needed to pass the construction levy last month.

by Briane C. Dotson
News Editor

Clackamas Community College had its bond levy narrowly approved by voters in last Tuesday's county elections.

The vote was 50.9 percent in favor of the bond and 49.1 percent opposing the bond. A total of 47,842 people voted in the mail in election, meaning there was a turnout of 43.4 percent.

The \$9.5 million bond will provide Clackamas Community College with the money to finance the construction of new buildings.

One of these new buildings will be a 10,000 sq. ft. class room on land in Wilsonville which was given to the college by Tektronix under the condition the college would build facilities on the land. Other uses for the money include the construction of a business and computer center (26,000 sq. ft.), and the expansion and remodeling of the library (22,000 sq. ft.). The remainder of the money will go to repair the existing buildings on campus.

"The passing of the bond levy

now allows us to make easier decisions," said Gary Dirrim, the acting dean of administration.

Now that the bond levy has been approved the college must select a financial adviser to assist the college in getting into the bond market.

"This process could start as early as April 17, 1989 and be concluded by the hiring of a financial consultant at the June board meeting," said Dirrim.

After the hiring of a financial consultant, the college will develop a financing structure that will both serve the college's needs and honor the college's commitments. Dirrim hopes that this process will be concluded by the end of June.

"Depending upon the finance structure, college staff, financial adviser, and bond counsel will go through a multi-step process that will result in the bonds being sold and the proceeds being invested. This process could take as long as three months to complete, according to Dirrim.

It is not known as yet when the ground breaking of the scheduled projects will take place.

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Joffrey to perform in Portland

The internationally acclaimed Joffrey Ballet is coming to Portland for three performances in the Civic Auditorium April 13 and 14 at 8 p.m. and April 15 at 2 p.m.

Different programs will be offered in different shows. April 13 and 15 will feature "Billy the Kid," "Love Songs" and "Suite St. Sacns." On April 14 audience members will see "Cloven Kingdom," "Sea Shadow," "L'air d'Esprit" and "Light Rain."

The Joffrey Ballet's 1989 national tour is sponsored by Phillip Morris Companies, Inc. For more information about the performances and tickets call 227-6867 or 248-4496.

Awards to be given

The Oregon Human Development Corporation will present awards for outstanding service in the area of human development for members of ethnic minority groups, women and other underemployed or unemployed people throughout Oregon.

The presentations will take place June 9 at the Red Lion Motor Inn, Jantzen Beach.

The corporation is accepting nominations for the awards through Friday. The public is encouraged to submit the names of persons or organizations for recognition by calling 245-2600.

Educator to speak at breakfast

"One Woman Making an Impact as an Educator" is the topic of this term's Focus on Women Issues Breakfast.

The event will be held Wednesday, April 12, at 7:30 a.m. in the Community Center Skylight Room. Featured speaker is Dr. Jan Welle, Superintendent of Harrisburg Union High School District.

Cost of the event is \$4.50.

Lines drawn on minimum wage increase

by Amber Cordry
Staff Writer

In an attempt to raise the standard of living, Congress has been presented with a bill to raise minimum wage to between \$4.25 and \$4.55 an hour which, if passed, will go into effect in 1991 or 1992.

According to State Senator Joyce Cohen's (D-Lake Oswego) office, one of the major reasons for raising minimum wage is the fact that the last increase was in 1981, when it was raised to the current amount of \$3.35 an hour.

Since then the cost of living has inflated more than 36 percent, meaning that goods purchased today for \$3.35 cost \$2.35 in 1981.

Currently, minimum wage is below the federal poverty level. Minimum wage provides \$583 dollars a month; the federal poverty level for a family of three is \$807.50. Most minimum wage employees are only allowed to work part time.

According to Cohen, who voted to approve an increase in minimum wage, "... we want to encourage self-sufficiency, not

dependency on welfare, and it (the raise) will enable many to be the productive people they want to be." Cohen continued by saying that about 122,000 Oregonians have been affected by the low wages for extended periods of time.

President George Bush feels that an excessive raise in minimum wage would only add to an already high turnover rate. This is due to the fact that any raise in minimum wage would only take effect after a six-month training period, during which businesses would be allowed to pay trainees

the current rate of \$3.35 an hour.

Bush has stated that any proposal over \$4.25 an hour will be vetoed and he will not support a wage increase over that amount. When and if that occurs the proposal will be returned to Congress with an option of overriding the veto.

Currently Congress feels very strongly about the proposal and wishes to begin wage increases by July of 1989, eventually reaching a rate of between \$4.25 and \$4.55 an hour by 1992.

Support groups to help counsel students

by Christopher L. Curran
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"Stop Smoking" and "Adult Children of Alcoholics" are two support groups open to students at Clackamas Community College.

For the last three years, Mary Fitzgerald, substance abuse specialist and nationally certified counselor, has been available to

help students. Her hours at the college are limited however. She is at Clackamas Tuesday mornings from 9-11 a.m. in the office next to CC116.

Fitzgerald is available for personal counseling regarding the problems of the student and family problems. She will see people by both appointment and walk-in.

She is also available through the Clackamas County Department of Human Services in the Community Mental Health Center in Oregon City, 655-8401.

Several support groups exist at Clackamas. Alcoholics Anonymous, Al-Anon, Al-Ateen, Narcotics Anonymous, Parents without Partners, Stop Smoking Support Group and Displaced Homemakers are all support groups which are aimed at students and people of the community.

The college also features and Alcohol/Drug Awareness Club, Alcohol/Drug Abuse Counseling with Fitzgerald and a Alcohol/Drugs/Aids/Smoking video series.

The clubs and organizations on campus meet regularly. For more information and meeting times, contact Suzy Alexander at the Student Activities Office next to the Financial Aid Office in the Community Center.

Tonight and tomorrow night

"The Hidden Addict Series" will be shown between 5:45-6:45 p.m. in the Community Center Fireside Lounge. Next Wednesday, there will be a speaker from Cocaine Anonymous from 12-1 p.m. in the McLoughlin Theatre.

"Preparing for the Drug Free Years" is a program which is sponsored by Oregon Governor Neil Goldschmidt, Fred Meyer Charitable Trust and Oregon Prevention Resource Center. This program takes the position that it's "no longer a matter if your child will be exposed to drugs. It's a matter of when they will be exposed to drugs."

The aim of the class, geared towards parents, is to teach parents how to prevent children from using drugs. The program is offered in five sessions at King Elementary School, Ogden Junior High School and Moss Junior High School and began April 4.

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This issue of *The Clackamas Print* is, in some ways, a historic one. There is a new appearance and a partial name change.

The goal in mind was to choose a style that would distinguish us from other college newspapers in Oregon. We decided that the Gothic style

was one that could promote a serious attitude towards the newspaper.

By adding "Clackamas" to the name, we are directly linking the paper to the college. It has always been Clackamas Community College's paper. The addition of "Clackamas" visually portrays that concept.

