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First year baseball Coach Tagert fired by Petersen

by Mark A. Borrelli Sports Editor

Baseball Coach Greg Tagert was suddenly dismissed the week before spring break by Athletic Director Carol Petersen.

"Greg Tagert was fired for failure to abide by athletic and school policies. and procedures."

-Clackamas Athletic **Director Carol Petersen**

This was Tagert's first year as head coach, replacing Paul Roeder this season. Tagert was let go by the athletic office right before a scheduled trip to California.

"Greg Tagert was fired for failure to abide by athletic, and school policies, and procedures," said Athletic Director Carol Petersen. Petersen refused to comment further on why Tagert may have been suddenly dismissed. Team members however dis-

closed why they thought Tagert was fired. One of those reasons involved mis-handling the baseball budget. Tagert ordered two sets of new uniforms, new satin jackets, and new baseball hats. Apparently, Tagert did all of this ordering without the permission of Petersen, and went over the baseball budget.

Players feel that another possible reason that Tagert lost his job had to do with a conflict that Tagert, and Petersen had regarding a practice game with Concordia College. "I didn't really like it; I don't

fired. It's not that I don't like Paul-He's a great Coach. I think that it was the practice game at Concordia that got him fired," said Clackamas outfielder Dave Horine.

The practice game was played too early in the season, before the date allowed by NWAACC rules.

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-Former baseball Coach **Greg Tagert**

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think that Gregshould have been Tagert did not have a lot to say on the matter with Clackamas.

"I really cannot comment on the situation with Clackamas right now. Although I was told that I was fired for mis management of the budget," said Tagert. Tagert feels that he never really got enough chance to coach. "I don't think that I was given a fair chance. I thought that the firing was a little harsh," said Tagert.

Paul Roeder, who was the previous Clackamas coach, stepped into replace Tagert.

"We can't worry about what happened; we have a season to get ready for," said Roeder.

The general feeling among the players is that Tagert wasn't given enough of a chance.

Everyone got along with him really good. We all liked him a lot as a coach. But we can't sit around and pout about the situation, nothings gonna change. Paul's a

good coach. We're gonna go out and have a fun season," said short stop Doug Manley.

"He was too inexperienced; he wasn't fit for a head coaching job. He tried to build something too quick, spending money we didn't have," said pitcher Jay Prall.

Assistant Coach Bob Cain feels the team needs to put what has happened behind them, and go on with the season.

"He's gone. (Tagert) Roeder's back, and the season's got to go on," said Cain.

The Cougars hope to put the coaching change in the past and just play baseball.Due to bad wheather, Clackamas has yet to play a game since their trip to Bellvue over spring break. The Cougars will be in Centralia, Washington today for a non-league double header. They will try to get a game underway tomorrow, with a make up game at Mt. Hood. Clackamas will travel to Lane this Saturday

Cougars to begin league play

by Staci Beard Staff Writer

During Spring Break the Cougar softball team got off to a shaky one and two record in their road trip through California.

"I was a little unhappy with our defense against Sacramento. Before we left we had a scrimmage against Pacific University and played super defense. I am hoping that it was just a one time thing," explained Coach Paul Fiskum.

The first games were a double header against Sacramento City College. But Fiskum saw some things he liked such as freshman pitcher Heather McCorkle.

"McCorkle started out a little nervous. But the last three innings she faced only nine batters. She will do very well if she goes out and throws like everytime," stated Fiskum.

College was their win on the trip. Pitcher Yvonne Johnson had a one hitter going into the sixth inning when the game was then called because of rain. Offensively two players had good days. Kristi Northcutt was a perfect three for three with two R.B.Is, while Patty Abell brought two more R.B.Is with a triple her one hit of the day.

While Fiskum stated that the defense needs work, he has three of his four infielders playing new positions. "I know we have the ability

The deadline for softball sign-

This term will also consist of

ups is April 14. Other deadlines

vary depending on the sport.

but right now we are thinking

behind," explained Fiskum. The mental attitude of his The next game against Solano players has Fiskum very pleased. Academics are important to the team and Fiskum feels that they tie in with what goes on in the field.

"We have the kind of attitude it takes to be a championship team. The team does a outstanding job academically and they know why they are in school. It all ties in. They take care of business and get the job done," explained Fiskum.

The Cougars will try to get the job done again, when they take on Tacoma Community College April, 4.

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softball game. The Cougars played Warner Pacific and won the



Sign-ups underway loaded," said Mark Borrelli, memby Dan Fulton ber of the team.

Staff Writer

It is that time again to kick off the sweats and put on the tennis shorts. Yes folks, it's time for spring intramurals. This spring there are numerous events for every type of athlete.

The time has come to go in the attic and pull the cobwebs from the softball mitts. That's right, softball intramurals is here and is hoping to have some real strong competition this year. One team, "The Untouchables", from The Print staff, has already fielded a team that will be hard to beat. Louis Perez, the coach of the Untouchables, believes that they won't be beat.

There is no way we are going to lose. We have great fielding, power, and me as coach," said Perez.

To be able to play softball a team needs to consist of at least three females. Be sure to get a team together and see if you have what it takes to take out the Untouchables.

"You'll need luck: we are just little rusty.

a "fun run" of 3.1 miles. T-shirts will be awarded after the run on May 1 at noon to the top male and female finisher.

Next we have coed racquetball, which will be played in a roundrobin tournament. To enter this tournament students have to sign up for the racquetball class of fered in the spring term.

Tennis will also be a spring intramural sport that will be offered. Singles, and doubles events will be available.

Badminton will be another spring event. Matches will be held in the gym in Randall. The last event being held is volleyball. A 3-on-3 coed volleyball competition will be held for all of you spikers.

Any intramural information can be found posted on the intramural board in lower Randall Hall.

Beat the Spring rush. Get yourself a shiny red 505 racing sailboat. Excellent for brand new sailors and experienced racers. Two sets of sails, piggyback trailer, well

Activities and they are due by 2 p.m. April 14.

