NEWS THE CLACKAMAS PRINT November 8, 1989 Page 4 **CCC receives Federal Grant for Title III program**

by Dawn Kuchl Staff Writer

A Title 3 Federal Grant has been awarded to Clackamas Community College which entitles the college to \$500,000 a year for a period of 5 years. The grant is given to qualified colleges to help better the quality of education.

'The college is very fortunate to have such an opportunity," said counselor Bernie Nolan. The monies are distributed over the three different sections the grant consists of.

The first aspect of the grant is the Management Information Systems, which has upgraded the

ASG returns from trip

by Margy Lynch Staff Writer

Tim Jones, ASG Vice President; David Nelson, ASG Administrative Assistant; and Debbie Baker, ASG Advisor, attended a leadership conference in Canada Oct. 18-21 which taught and inspired college leaders.

The Association of College Unions International conference was regional (region 14) which consisted of speakers workshops and ideas. College students from two and four-year colleges were in attendance. The students came from Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and parts of Canada and Alaska.

The keynote speakers were Doug Craig, Executive Director of the Center for Positive Living, who spoke on success; and Rick Matishak, Leadership and Management Development Consultant, who spoke about understanding yourself and using that to help others. "[The speakers] were wonderful," said ASG Advisor Debbie Baker.

Besides the speakers, there were a variety of workshops for the students and staff to attend. The workshops were on management skills, drug/alcohol awareness, peer tutoring, wellness, and many other topics.

The conference was successful according to Baker. She gained many tips and felt the others did also. "It was one of the better workshops I've attended in a long time," Baker expressed.

Information from the conference is already being distributed and is being used to help other clubs and especially to help ASG.

central computer system. "It is moving us away from what we call 'dumb terminals.' We are devel-

oping a microcomputer network where computers can communicate with each other," explained David Dickson. Student Retention, the second half of the Title 3 grant, has

made student testing easier and more accurate. Testing is now done on the computers that are in the counseling center. Student Retention also helps the instructors because they can now look up a student's records and find out if that student has had trouble in that certain subject and if so, they

can help.

The last part of the grant is the Targeted Learning Center. The grant helped finance TLC classes at the Harmony Center that are aimed at working people. These classes are for people that already have careers and need to polish up on their skills.

When Clackamas received this grant, the first thing that had to be done was to make out a 5-year plan. "When we wrote the grant we had a hard time imaging how it could possibly take 5 years to do anything, but the wisdom of havus hard," stated Dickson.

There was so much to be prepared in the first two years of the grant. The first year was taken up by researching other colleges to see how they were using their grant money. This sent the college in the right direction and helped determine what might and might not work. Then the software (SCT Banner) was purchased and the computer workers were taught to use it and the program developed.

The grant is now in its third year and is "progressing very well" according to Dickson. "We reing the program be 5 years has hit ceived a glowing review from an outside agency hired by the college. They thought we were using the money wisely."

The unfortunate thing about the grant is the government has it set up so that a college can only have the grant for five years. Then has to wait out another five years until they can qualify for it again, though there have been other colleges with good reviews that have been able to re-apply at the end of five years and were reissued the grant, which is what Dickson is hoping for CCC.

ASG's first dance moderate success

by Jennifer Soper Staff Writer

Approximately 50 to 60 people attended the ASG sponsored "Highway to Hell" dance on October 28 _____.ig to Entertainment Coordinator Scot Cambron. The dance was Deejayed by volunteer Scott Youngblood, a night student at Clackamas.

Earnings from the dance totaled \$49.50.

The dance was at our expectation level based on past records," said Cambron.

the low attendance was the fact that many students live away from the campus and may choose activities closer to their homes.

'Some (people) didn't know what to expect from an ASG function and others were disappointed," Cambron said. "I think they expected more people to be there. Either they were new students or run," Cambron stated. they had never attended an ASG dance

"Any short coming we may have had was probably caused by

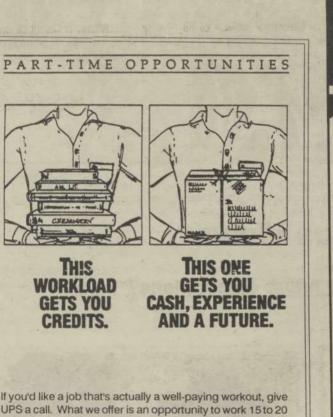
One reason Cambron gave for lack of communication with ASG and general students," Confirmed Cambron.

> Plans are already being made to improve future ASG dances according to Cambron.

"We're thinking of doing a dance activity during the day so people have some idea of how an ASG sponsored dance could be

Other improvement plans include greater publicity of scheduled dances, a more creative title for the dances, and making sure the posters are clear so students don't get confused about times or places.

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This information obtained at the conference will be used in planning events and doing things to improve Clackamas College. The entire student government will also benefit from it as they will be able to use the ideas in performing their duties.

Other ASG officers and senators will be attending other various conferences of a similar nature throughout the year.



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