

# Harmony Center plagued by instances of vandalism

Harmony Center, a part of Clackamas Community College located by Town Center in Clackamas, has been the target of vandalism since its opening last year.

"Petty stuff has been happening," said Jim Burrows, department chairman.

Windows on the side door and the boiler room have been smashed and the picnic tables located in the back of the building have been defiled. There has also been a lot of graffiti painted on the building, most of it in blue paint.

Most of the graffiti is thought to be the work of skinheads because of the racial slur, "niggers go home," on one of the build-

ings. In addition to the destruction of the facility itself, beer cans have been left on the picnic tables.

"It looks like kids having a party," said Burrows.

Harmony has little security protection. Currently the Clackamas County Sheriff's department patrols the area every so often, according to Burrows.

"I wish we could have more security but, because of the distance between the campuses, it would leave the other part of CCC unprotected," said Burrows. "Harmony is caught between a rock and a hard place."



Vandalism is commonplace at Clackamas Community College's Harmony Center near Town Center. Photo by Cid

## CCC's GSL default rate at 30%; federal government demands changes

by Jim Titus  
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In response to a letter from the U.S. Department of Education, Clackamas Community College is taking measures to insure its compliance with federal requirements concerning its Guaranteed Student Loan (GSL) default rate.

According to the letter, which was received Aug. 7, CCC's GSL default rate is 30.9 percent. This figure is based on the number of students who entered the program between Oct. 1, 1986 and Sept. 30, 1987 and the number who defaulted by Sept. 30, 1988. The college had 207 people in the program during this period and 64 defaults. The school had 247 students borrowing in the 1988-89 school year, for a total of \$448,538.

A Nov. 7 memo from Jim Roberts, dean of student services, pointed out six steps the college must take to be in compliance with the federal government:

- The tracking of student loan recipients must be intensified.

- Entrance and exit interviews for GSL and SLS borrowers, which the college already conducts, must be expanded, according to Roberts. This may include a test over material pertaining to the program.

- Starting Winter term, GSL and SLS checks will be delayed for first time borrowers until they have attended the school for 30 days.

- More contact should be made with the borrowers during their six month "grace period" to urge them to repay the loan.

- The college job placement program needs to be expanded to include more contacts with local employers, counseling in job search techniques, and establishment of a liaison with the Federal Employment Service and the Private Industry Council.

- A policy which refunds a portion of tuition for GSL and SLS borrowers halfway through

the term must be instituted. The college currently only offers refunds if classes are dropped within the first two weeks of the term.

These policies are required by the Department of Education for all colleges with a GSL default rate over 20 percent. Most of these policies will be effective Dec. 1, except for the 30 day delay in disbursement of checks (which is effective Winter term) and the change in tuition refund policy (which is effective June of next year).

Roberts has recommended 10 representatives from various departments on campus to a task force concerning the GSL issue. The task force will determine if the school is already in compliance with the federal standards and, if not, what steps it will take to bring the college in line with those standards.

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## Krieger to retire after fall term

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After close to 30 years of teaching, 21 of which have been here at Clackamas, this will be the last term of teaching for Bob Krieger, English instructor and resident poet.

"I've had a good job for a long time, and there are a lot of fresh new people out there looking for jobs," said Krieger, who voluntarily chose early retirement.

Krieger received his Master's Degree from the University of Washington, where he had the opportunity to study with Theodore Roethke. After a teaching fellowship there, he held a position at Portland State University and then at University of Portland. He came to Clackamas in 1968 and continued to attend Graduate School for his Ph.D., which he received in 1973.

"I have really enjoyed teaching here, and I really enjoyed the English Department. I have had some great classes, and some good students. Clackamas has given me some opportunities that I may not have gotten if I had stayed at a four year university," he said.

Krieger used to teach the creative writing-poetry class. When asked what he thought the college would do without him, he said, "I would hope that the writing program would continue to grow. I would also hope that they find a working, published poet to work with Craig (Lesley), with the Creative Writing program."

Krieger plans to stay here in the Portland area once he retires, because he has always lived here and thinks the Portland area is a wonderful residential area. He has always been interested in the antique business and hopes to go

venture into that. He has already published one book of poetry and plans to publish another one in the near future now that he will have a little more time to write.

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