



Ken Harmon has recently come to Oregon to head the Baptist Student Ministries at Clackamas.

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Harmon directs BMS

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Baptist Student Ministries has recently stretched to Clackamas Community College to meet the growing needs and demands for student ministries.

Ken Harmon, 23, is the BSM director for CCC, planning Bible studies, coordinating activities, and building a leadership team during his first few months on campus.

Student Programs Specialist Paul Kyllö says, "There's a lot of interest on campus regarding student ministries, including Fellowship for Christian Athletes (FCA) that has existed at CCC for several years." The group meets Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m. in Randall 101.

"The focus for college-level student ministries has generally been on universities, and four-year colleges. Now that the roles of community colleges are expanding, the needs are growing on the campus' of two-year colleges," said Harmon.

Appointed by Otey Enoch, Student Ministries Area Coordinator for Portland, Ken Harmon and his wife, Dondi, elected to move to Oregon from Missouri to fill the position.

Harmon leads Bible study in the Pauling 105 on Wednesdays from noon to 1, and Thursdays in Pauling 104 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

"I don't stand at a podium and preach. It's more of an opportunity for everyone to learn together, Christian, Non-Christian, etc. The point isn't to see 'how many we can get', or to compete with FCA. We just want everyone to get involved. BSM retreats and activities are often regional, bringing students from all the colleges in the Portland area. BSM offers fellowship at many different levels, from group Bible study and retreats, to one-on-one discipleship," Harmon said.

The Southern Baptist Conference, who sponsors BSM nationwide, is coordinating a weekend of fellowship, prayer, music, and speakers February 23-25 at Golden Gate Seminary in San Francisco.

Mission trips are already scheduled for Spring break in the Puget Sound area, and Idaho. The cost will be approximately \$40; however, scholarships may be offered to students.

Ken Harmon can be found in the CCC Community Center on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., often playing Ping-Pong in the recreation room, meeting or talking with the students.

"We are very excited about being in Portland and working here," said Harmon.

Ryan enjoys 'new freedom'

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Retired Administrative Dean of College Services and Planning Bill Ryan has been enjoying his new freedom of retirement.

"I'm really living in retirement. I wake with a kiss from my wife and a cup of coffee, not an alarm clock. I enjoy life," said Ryan.

Ryan had been with Clackamas Community College since the 1966-67 school year until his retirement last June.

"I don't worry about things to do. I feel some are lost in retirement. I have never experienced that. Retirement is wonderful. Having a hell of a good wife helps, and I have that," said Ryan.

Since his retirement Ryan and his wife Pat have traveled to Lake Tahoe and Reno, Nevada. While on their trip through Nevada they purchased a mobile home. Other trips the Ryans' have made were to Bend, Oregon and a tour of the Oregon Coast and Camp Sherman with a group.

Later this year Ryan plans to make a trip to the Grand Canyon, Las Vegas, and Mesa, Arizona. In Arizona Ryan hopes to watch the Chicago Cubs baseball team in spring training.

"It will be a slow leisure trip," said Ryan.

In between traveling Ryan has had two operations, one to remove a cataract from his left eye



Bill Ryan retired from Clackamas in June and has been traveling throughout the US.

and another for a ruptured hernia.

"I never realized you can live and work at the same time, because you can't," said Ryan. "You can have a lot of fun if you sleep eight hours and do something constructive for eight hours, as long as they aren't at the same time."

Ryan does miss the people at CCC but not the job.

"I've been too busy to miss the job. I keep track of the President's meetings, I'm still interested in what the college does but I have another life now," said Ryan. "I miss the people: Rena (Green,

his former secretary,) the business office people and others."

Even though Ryan misses these people he doesn't want to work again.

"I have no desire to work with them, but have a drink with them. It's amazing how many calls you get with people just wanting to chew the fat with you," said Ryan.

Ryan also has admiration with the job Gary Dirrim has done. Dirrim replaced Ryan as administrative dean of college services and planning.

"Gary's doing a really good job. I'm really impressed with his job," said Ryan.

Hobart is college controller



Roxie Hobart enjoys her new position as Controller

Photo by Dawn Kuehl

In July, Roxie Hobart took over for Gary Dirrim in the position of controller at Clackamas.

Dirrim held the position of

controller from July of 1984 until he moved on to be the Acting Dean of College Services and Planning. This position became

available when Bill Ryan retired in July of 1989.

Hobart, who was the Assistant to the Controller at the time, was recommended by Dirrim for the position of Controller, and accepted the promotion.

"The Controller, in layman's terms, overlooks the accounting functions at the college," Hobart explained. "The position could also be labeled 'Director of Fiscal Services.'"

Hobart has been an employee at the college for nearly 15 years.

After graduating from high school, Hobart came to Clackamas. She then went on to Oregon State University. She graduated from OSU in 1974 with a BS in Accounting.

"I wanted to come back to Clackamas because it was close to home," said Hobart. So, in 1975, Hobart was working at CCC as a part-time cashier. She worked at that position for about six months and then moved to the position of bookkeeper.

In 1983, she became the Assistant to the Controller. She came about the position in much the same way that she came about the position of controller.

"It was a time of retirement and reorganization at the college, and I was recommended for the position," Hobart said.

Hobart's vacated position was filled by Gretchen Miles.

"The Assistant to the Controller oversees the business office and the cashier. The controller looks over those as well as the bookstore, food service, and many other areas," Hobart stated.

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