

News Briefs

Dates to remember

April 11 is the last day CCC students can drop classes and receive a refund.

On April 13 the late registration fee of \$25 per class begins.

May 9 is the last day CCC students can drop classes without responsibility for a grade.

On May 25 the college will be closed for Memorial Day.

Star gazing at ELC

The observatory at the John Inskip Environmental Learning Center is open to the public every clear Wednesday, Friday and Saturday from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. Admission is \$1.50 per person.

CCC breakfast speaker to focus on women's sexuality

Dr. Marlene Tufts, who has taught the popular class "Human Sexuality" at CCC for 15 years, will speak on Celebrating Women's Sexuality, April 22, 7:30 to 9 a.m., in the Small Dining Room. Dr. Tufts' presentation is part of the Focus on Women issues breakfast series. Those who are interested can register for WKS 1-01. The fee is \$5.50, which includes a continental breakfast.

Graduation petitions available

Students planning to complete their program of study at the end of Spring term should have petitions on file in the Registrar's Office now.

"Helpline" volunteers needed

Family Support Volunteers are needed. Parents Anonymous of Oregon is a child abuse prevention program which offers support groups and a 24-hour telephone "Helpline." Volunteers are needed for a two-hour children's group meeting, once a week at locations throughout the community. Complete training is provided for the "Helpline" that can be answered from the volunteer's home during one four-hour shift per week. There are opportunities of internships and practicums. More information is available from Jan McGrath at 238-8819.

Running for office?

ASG elections are approaching. Students wishing to run for office can pick up a candidate packet in the Student Activities Office. The packet includes a cover letter, with all pertinent dates and requirements: the petition; job descriptions; and the behavior code.

Health insurance for students

Student health insurance is available on a term or yearly basis can be purchased by the third Friday of each term. For more about this type of insurance, students can contact the Student Activities Office.

Childcare available at CCC

Camp Fire Community Childcare is available on campus, at the Orchard Center. Those interested can call 657-6683. Those who need financial assistance or other child care in the community, can call 253-5000.

ASG Senator positions open

There are Senator positions available in ASG. The positions come with a tuition waiver. Deadline for applications is April 10, 5 p.m. Applications should be turned in at the Student Activities Office.

America blames Japan for economic woes

Students voice feelings on 'Japan bashing'

by Allan Ziemke
Staff Writer/Photographer

"Japan bashing" has been in the news lately, and The Clackamas Print decided to get some views on this touchy subject from a few CCC Japanese students.

Keioko Enomoto has been in the states for over two years. She talked about the economy of both countries and why Japan seems to be doing so much better.

"Japan is only concerned with Japan," she says. "Japan comes first there; they are all set on one main goal to be the best."

These students generally don't understand why some Americans feel threatened by the Japanese.

"It's sad," Mika Tanno says. "The American people should be happy when the Japanese bring their companies here. This improves business for everyone."

Masa Shida, a Japanese student who is taking general studies, is critical of both countries. "Japanese Auto Executives are very narrow-minded. They feel their cars are far superior to anything the Americans have, yet, they close their markets to any outside competition. But until the quality of the American product improves, they can't compete there."

The media may be shouldering some of the blame for the current wave of "Japan bashing," however, the media cannot take all of the blame for the country's eco-

nomics. As in the case where the media is told by the head of a major automobile company that they are laying off 2,000 workers because they can't deal with all the foreign competition.

When asked if and how

this bad press was affecting him personally on campus, Shida said, "Sometimes people look at me too long and I wonder what they are thinking in their heads. Do they see me, or just the country I'm from?"



photo by David VanKeuren

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--Mika Tanno

McGuffery takes bronze medals in National Debate

by Robert A. Hibberd
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CCC Debate Team member Cheron McGuffery placed high in the Phi Rho Pi National Convention and Tournament, hosted by Southeastern Illinois College, and held last week in St. Louis, Mis-

souri.

"I took home two bronze trophies," said McGuffery upon her return to Oregon.

The debate tournament hosted 80 different schools from across the country.

"One hundred thirty people competed in the Lincoln-Douglas and eighty people competed in the persuasion," McGuffery explained.

Lincoln-Douglas debates are six-team debates. A record of at least three wins and three losses is needed to advance out of preliminaries in this category.

"I went six and zero in the preliminaries," said McGuffery.

"The resolution was that advertising degrades the quality of life in the United States. You have to debate both sides of the resolution. I had to debate that advertising is good and that advertising is bad," McGuffery commented.

McGuffery's undefeated preliminary round sent her into the finals.

"I broke into finals and I had to do another round, which I lost," said McGuffery. "That kept me from competing for a gold or silver."

"I won a bronze in persuasion and a bronze in Lincoln-Douglas. I missed winning a silver in persuasion by one point." McGuffery enjoyed the tournament.

"I had a blast. It was really fun," said McGuffery.

"The whole tournament was held inside a hotel room. It

was really different having the judge sitting on a couch rather than behind a desk."

McGuffery traveled to the tournament with fellow debate team member Kelly Brennan.



photo by Vivian Johnson

Cheron McGuffery received two bronze trophies at a debate in Missouri.

"Frank selected the two people that had the most experience and were considered the most competitive," explained McGuffery about why Coach Harlow chose her and Brennan to go to the competition.

"Throughout the year, I have broken into finals in every tournament except two and Kelly has broken into finals in every tournament except one," said McGuffery.

McGuffery has learned a lot from her debate experience.

"I have learned to state my point calmly instead of babbling, which happens a lot in debate, a lot of babbling."

"I really like debating one-on-one. To, all by yourself, get up there and communicate is great."

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