

# What's in a Name?

## Historical meaning behind names of CCC buildings

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Many students go to their classes day-to-day, not realizing that the very buildings they are learning in are representative of CCC and Oregon history. Barlow Hall, Randall Hall, Pauling Center, and all of the others have a heritage of their own.

In fact, Clackamas Community College has a historically significant name. The college was named after Clackamas County, which derives its name from the Clackamas Indians, who lived in the area when Lewis and Clark came to Oregon in the early 1800's.

Clackamas County. This road became Barlow Road. Barlow's eldest son, William, was prominent in railroad construction circles. Hooley said, "(The name) is more Canby . . . the Barlow House is there."

### McLoughlin Hall

Otherwise known as the "Father of Oregon," Dr. John McLoughlin was a guiding figure in Oregon's development and will always remain one of Oregon's most famous pioneers. As a leading figure in the Hudson's Bay Company, McLoughlin took over the fur trade in Oregon and attempted to remain peaceful with the Native Indian tribes. McLoughlin died in 1857.

Many sites in Clackamas County are symbols of McLoughlin, including Oregon City's McLoughlin House, and McLoughlin Boulevard. According to Hooley, McLoughlin Hall, which was one of the first buildings at CCC, was named in remembrance of this early Oregon pioneer.

The initial plan of the school in 1970 was to build a three story Community Center and have a walkway built across to McLoughlin. After the planning started it was realized that the budget could not handle it so they turned the space in McLoughlin into offices.

### Randall Hall

Randall Hall--the center of all CCC athletics--was named after Buzz Randall, a young Oregon athlete. According to Hooley, Randall "was a football player at Oregon State and he came from Estacada . . . He might have been a professional football player--he was very good." But Randall never

made it that far. After graduating from college, he died of leukemia.

The Randall family was very well known in the small community of Estacada, and many community members suggested that CCC name a building after Randall. In addition, in Porter, a town near Estacada, there are two roads named after Randall. Naming one of Clackamas' buildings after Randall was what Hooley calls "a sentimental choice."

### Pauling Science Center

With the addition of the Pauling Science Center, came a new trend in naming the buildings. It was the first building that the faculty got involved with in the naming. According to Hooley, "The Board still confirms it, but the staff gets to pick (the name)."

The choice of Linus Pauling was obvious. Pauling not only won a Nobel Prize for Chemistry in 1954 but also won the Nobel Prize for Peace in 1962. Pauling was also a local hero because his wife, Ava Helen, grew up in Beavercreek.

### Streeter Hall

In the fall of 1991, another building was built on CCC's campus. It was difficult to come up with a name for the building which now houses both the Math and English Departments. Finally chosen was a former 19 year faculty member, Jim Streeter, who died of cancer in 1989. According to Hooley, "It was a really good choice . . . Streeter was a real strong faculty advocate." Streeter, who was a mathematics instructor, even authored his own series of text books. Hooley feels the decision to name the building after him was "to recognize the contribution the faculty made here."

Streeter Hall, which also houses



Streeter Hall

the computer lab, was dedicated on Sept. 19, 1991. At the building dedication, CCC President John Keyser said Streeter "exemplifies all Clackamas Community College staff and their commitment to student success."

### Gregory Forum

Bill Gregory was "a long time (CCC) board member, who was a very good board member," said Hooley. Gregory, who served on the board for 18 years until his death in 1987, was always very supportive of CCC. "He really cared about the college . . . he really believed in us," said Hooley.

When Gregory first became a board member, "the board was real unsettled and he really helped to strengthen the board," Hooley explained. Gregory was a major contributor to the stability of the board.

In addition, Gregory spent his earlier years as an educator in West Linn. At one time he was a teacher and a principal at Willamette Grade School.



John McLoughlin

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### Clairmont

Clairmont was the first building constructed on the CCC campus, which was once owned by farmers. It is said that the building has served exactly what it should have. According to John Hooley, Assistant Dean of Humanities, the building, which initially housed the whole school in 1968, was planned to later become something of a warehouse and storage shed for the school.

Clairmont is a "neighborhood name," said Gloria Tomlin, secretary to College President John Keyser. The school resides in the Clairmont Water District.

### Barlow Hall

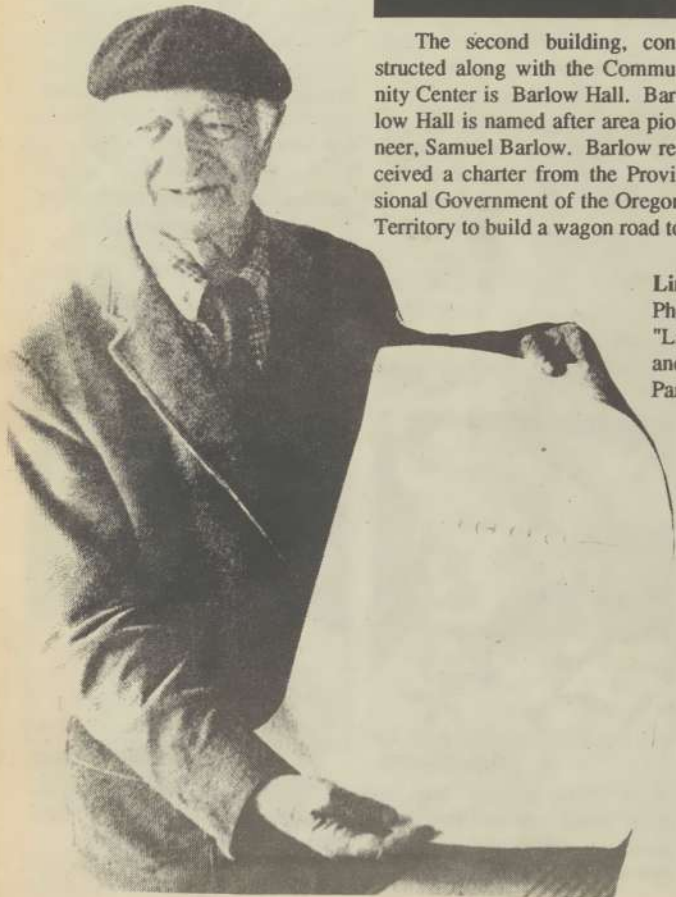
The second building, constructed along with the Community Center is Barlow Hall. Barlow Hall is named after area pioneer, Samuel Barlow. Barlow received a charter from the Provisional Government of the Oregon Territory to build a wagon road to



Jim Streeter

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