

CCC faculty member, Arter, receives honor

by Frank Jordan
Staff Writer

It is the goal of many students to receive an honor such as the one that was bestowed to a member of the Clackamas Community College faculty this past June.

Dave Arter, beginning his 10th year as an instructor in the CCC Chemistry Department, was selected to help lead a seminar during the Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society's Honors Institute. The seminar was held June 21-28 at the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, Mass.

The Honors Institute celebrated its 25th anniversary this year. Today, it is known as one of the "ultimate honors experiences" in this country's scholarly world.

This year's Honors Institute brought together approximately 400 of Phi Theta Kappa's members from all around the United States for an intensive one-week examination of the study topic for this year, "1492-1992: The

Dynamics of Discovery."

Phi Theta Kappa is this country's honor society for two-year colleges. It has more than 70,000 members in over 1,000 chapters in community colleges, junior colleges, and vocational/technical schools in the U.S. and Canada.

Arter explains that "one of the primary focuses of Phi Theta Kappa is scholarship, and this (the Honors Institute) is a great opportunity for students and instructors to really help themselves scholastically and professionally."

Arter himself was involved in some pre-Institute activities that gave seminar leaders the opportunity to help themselves prepare for the tasks that lay ahead for them during the Honors Institute seminars.

"During the pre-Institute activities, we (the seminar leaders) got to listen to some of the premiere scholars in the country today. These included J. Jorge Klor De Alva, a Professor of Anthropology at Princeton Univer-

sity, who I enjoyed a great deal. Also, Trevor Pinch, a Professor of Science and Technology at Cornell, since science is my professional field of teaching," Arter said.

Many activities were included during the week in Massachusetts for students, as well as instructors. "We were able to take tours of the Boston area as well as take in a few cultural events during our stay," Arter commented. "It was a truly enjoyable experience, not only professionally, but personally as well."

Arter is the co-adviser for Alpha Xi Zeta, the CCC chapter of Phi Theta Kappa. He is also the Oregon regional coordinator for the group. He is in charge of coordinating activities between member chapters in the Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and western Montana areas. Arter also puts together a chapter newsletter covering events throughout the region, and also represents the region at all national Phi Theta Kappa functions.

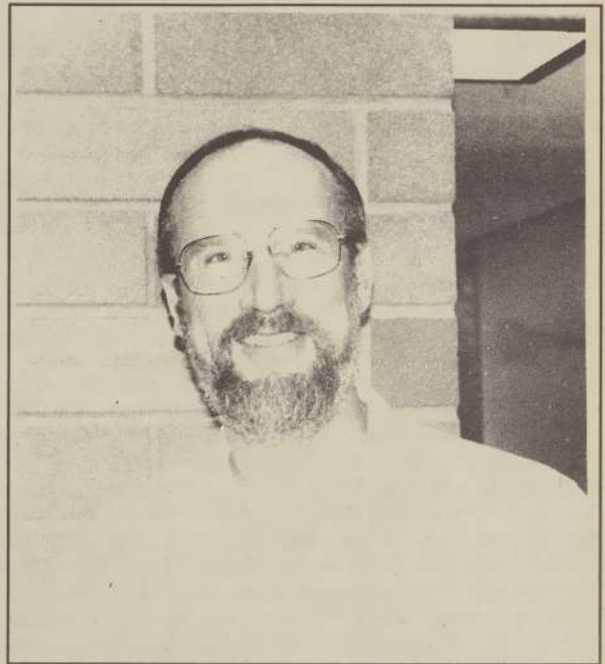


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Dave Arter, a tenth-year chemistry instructor, recently led a seminar for Phi Theta Kappa in Massachusetts.

CCC Board, CCC Faculty pass resolutions opposing Measure 9

by Robert A. Hibberd
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The CCC Board of Education and the CCC Education Association issued resolutions last week opposing Measure 9.

The CCC Board of Education issued its resolution Wednesday.

"I'm pleased that the Board took a stand on such a controversial issue," said CCC President John Keyser. "From a CCC standpoint, it is important to confront the hazardous implications of this ballot measure."

The CCC Faculty adopted a similar resolution by a 45 - 11

vote margin, only a day after the College Board released its resolution. Teachers had varying reasons for why they voted the way they did.

"Any educator, conservative or liberal, should be concerned about an outside agency dictating what we will or won't be able to teach in a classroom," said Tom Richards, English Department Chairperson. "As a department chair, I will be forced to make biased decisions on who I can or can't hire."

"I teach homosexuality as a normal variation," said Marlene Tufts, Head of the Psychology Department. "If Measure 9 were to pass, I would have to teach a viewpoint that is not supported in the field of psychology, a narrow religious view; of course, I would not."

"Personally, I don't hate or despise homosexuals; what they do is their business," said Social Science Instructor John Rau who opposed the faculty's resolution to oppose Measure 9. "I do, however, have great compassion and concern towards the political agenda of the militant homosexual groups Queer Nation and Act Up."

Also last week, The Oregon Counseling Association issued a statement opposing Measure 9.

"Counselors will be affected negatively with the passage of this measure" said Bernie Nolan, CCC counselor. "A counselor is supposed to remain neutral when dealing with sexuality."

CCC Board of Education Resolution

WHEREAS, the ambiguous language of Ballot Measure 9 could impose unforseen, undue and unnecessary burdens on community colleges; and

WHEREAS, Ballot Measure 9 could lead to inappropriate challenges to community college districts' personnel, curriculum and counseling policies and practices; and

WHEREAS, Ballot Measure 9 could require school districts to intrude into the private, personal lives of their students and employees; and

WHEREAS, Ballot Measure 9 could deny the rights of equality and privacy, contrary to democratic principles of individual liberty,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clackamas Community College Board of Education opposes the passage of Measure 9; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the opposition of the Clackamas Community College Board of Education to Ballot Measure 9 be communicated to the public.

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Resolution of the Clackamas Community College Education Association (Faculty)

WHEREAS, Ballot Measure 9 is an unreasonable threat to academic freedom at Clackamas Community College that would require the college to

amend its curriculum in a manner prescribed by one narrow point of view;

seriously restrict access to information and curriculum materials, including books, magazines, tapes, records, video tapes, photographs, and works of art, deemed unacceptable under the Measure;

intrude into the personal lives of its employees and students;

alter its counseling policies in a manner contrary to the best ethical and professional judgment of current practitioners; and

WHEREAS, Ballot Measure 9 would seriously hamper the ability of the college to fulfill its mission of "creating lifetime opportunities for success through responsive education;" and

WHEREAS, Ballot Measure 9 is a highly discriminatory, divisive, and punitive Measure that would serve to isolate and polarize citizens in the state of Oregon; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Clackamas Community College Education Association, representing the faculty of Clackamas Community College, strongly opposes the State Constitutional Amendment proposed in Ballot Measure 9.

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