

Donation makes resource center possible

by Anjanette Booth
Staff Writer

Gil and Virginia Danielson, owners of Danielson's Thriftway, made a donation of \$51,450 to Clackamas Community College to be used towards construction costs of the new Family Resource Center.

"Thriftway has been our strongest backers in business," said David Dickson, assistant to the President. In recognition for the Danielsons' generous donation towards the center, a room in the building was named after them. The Danielsons Women's Resource Library houses books, as well as tapes for library informa-

tion and referral services. A temporary plaque has been placed outside the room naming it.

The Danielsons decided to donate the money after listening to Renae Parr, a graduate of the life and career options program, talk about how the program has changed her life. They wanted to make a large donation to the college and were impressed by the new Family Resource Center so they decided to give their \$51,450 donation.

Many other small donations and gifts have also been given to the Family Resource Center, including a community development grant of \$300,000 by Clack-

amas County. This is the largest grant Clackamas County has ever given to a single foundation.

CCC President John Keyser, on behalf of the college, was pleased to nominate the Northwest Thriftway stores for the National Council for Resource Development 'Corporation of the Year Award.' "They have been tremendous corporate citizens giving support to colleges and students, as well as a variety of other community activities," commented Keyser. Local stores, as well as 57 Thriftway Association stores in Oregon and Southwest Washington, have not just given support in funds but in

participation at Clackamas events.

The Thriftway Association has been a major contributor and sponsor in events such as the country music festival-The New Pioneers of Country Music-that took place in the summer of 1989, as well as the generous donation given by the Danielsons.

Since 1986, six Clackamas County Thriftway stores have provided sponsorship for the foundation's annual Invitational Golf Tournament. This event has raised over \$50,000 in the past seven years. Not only do the stores provide funds for this event, but the owners also participate in the tournament.

Gary Smith and Carol DeJardin, co-owners of the Willamette and West Linn Thriftway stores, also have made substantial contributions to the foundation. Smith is chairing the committee that is organizing the Clackamas Community Corporate Challenge Golf Tournaments and DeJardin has made a personal leadership gift to the Family Resource Center as well as joining the foundation's board.

"They have been real leaders and role models for other organizations, which inspires them to make the community a better place for everybody," concluded Keyser.

Blood drive successful

by Frank Jordan
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The ASG-sponsored Red Cross Blood Drive held last Wednesday was an overwhelming success, according to ASG Executive Secretary Cheron McGuffey.

Sixty-eight units of blood were collected at the drive, which according to McGuffey is an all-time high here at Clackamas.

"The Red Cross was really happy with the turnout of students and staff who participated,"

McGuffey said. "It is too bad that so many people had to wait, but that goes to show the great amount of participation that we actually had."

More people may have participated in giving blood, but the fact that the Measure 9 debate being held at the Gregory Forum at the same time as the blood drive may have had an effect. But much to the surprise of everyone involved, there was almost never an empty bed.

The next blood drive is scheduled for Wed., Feb. 17.



ASG and the American Red Cross set a CCC record for blood donations during last week's blood drive. They collected 68 units of the life-saving blood.



photo by Lynn Sichel

Twenty-three retired professionals from Costa Rica visited the ELC on Oct. 16. The Costa Ricans are all members of a cultural exchange program that was started by CCC Instructor Carlota Holley. They will be visiting various sites in Oregon throughout October.

Five students receive new degrees

by Tina McFarland
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In conjunction with Precision Castparts Corporation (PCC) and the college, five students graduated with a two-year Associate of Applied Science Degree.

Timothy McGinnis and David Ehler of Oregon City; Sidney Dyche of Clackamas; Danielle Begin of Redmond; and Kathy Branscomb of Estacada all earned their AAS in the program which was introduced at PCC in September 1984.

Minimum requirements for the program consist of completing two years of full-time employment at PCC, satisfactory attendance, safety, performance, and the applicant must show the drive to pursue the degree.

Upon satisfactory completion of the requirements, the applicant must then register for any of the 50 classes offered each quarter. When the curriculum is finished, PCC and the college hold a graduation ceremony where college administration and top administration for the Precision Corporation present certificates of completion.

Currently, two tracks exist in which students choose the level of difficulty for their degree courses. Track one is an industrial management path, while track two consists of manufacturing engineering. The same plans are available for students wishing to complete the transfer program to Oregon Institute of Technology.

According to Coordinator

Ron Watts, "This kind of marriage between business and industry is the first of its kind in the nation."

Watts feels that completing the program is "to their credit" because of the demanding work load they carry. Not only do students have to attend classes on site at PCC, but they also work 40 hours a week, plus overtime.

PCC offers other courses designed to help adults with basic learning skills. After students "better their basics, they can go to the two-year AAS program, then to OIT, and even on to graduate school. (PCC) is very interested in developing their employees," Watts said.

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