

News Clips

Compiled by Vicki Welch

The Art Department is starting a goodwill project for the campus which will provide a "framing service" for art in offices or public spaces. The Department can offer suggestions of where to purchase prints. Artwork for public spaces must go through the Campus Art Committee. For more information, call the Art Department at ext. 2386.

The College is offering a business finance seminar today from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Harmony Center. You can learn to diagnose your business finances and work with a counselor to prepare a financial analysis of your business. The cost is \$150 which includes an hour-and-a-half counseling session. For more information, call 656-4447.

The college is hosting an art opening today to show the paintings of Jack Fellman from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Pauling Gallery. The opening is open to the public and will be on display through Dec. 3. For more information, call 657-6958 ext. 2386.

The American Student Association of Community Colleges Regional Conference is scheduled for Nov. 12 and 13. Registration is on Nov. 12 at 11 a.m. Some of the topics are "Student Voice: Political Potential," "Leadership Skills: Better Student Government" and "Federal Overview: Funding Priorities for Education."

A dramatic production, focusing on teen issues, will be preformed today at 10:30 a.m. in the Gregory Forum. The presentation is by a high school acting team called **Teens and Co.**

There will be a **Community Reading of fiction and poetry** on Friday from 11 a.m. to noon in Room B-114 and every other Friday this quarter. For more information, call Kate Gray at ext. 2371.

"**Know When to Say When**" poster contest entries must be in by Dec. 17. You can win up to \$5,000 in scholarships. Posters may be turned into the Student Activities Office.

The Small Business Development Center is offering a seminar in "**International Transportation & Documentation**" on Thursday from 8 to 11 a.m. at the Harmony Center in Room H-107. Topics include transportation systems, just-in-time deliveries, required documentation and insurance.

The Clackamas Foundation is sponsoring an "**Estate Planning**" seminar Friday from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Gregory Forum. Learn about wills, bequests, estate taxes, charitable trusts and other tax-advantaged methods for transferring wealth.

Those interested in getting into the holiday spirit and expressing their creativity will enjoy a special holiday and environmental arts class in grapevine wreath making today from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the John Inskeep Environmental Learning Center. Cost is \$8, plus a minimal materials fee. For more information and registration, contact the Center at 657-6958 ext. 2351, Tuesday through

Diversity: Group encourages understanding

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This year, the college staff revised its purpose statement to include a section pertaining to diversity. The central value states, "The college is committed to building awareness of cultural diversity on our campus and in our community."

It also includes, "Setting a standard for the larger community by promoting tolerance, communication, and understanding among people with differing beliefs, color, gender, cultures and background."

"The defacing of the sign is a violation of the values we set for ourselves as an organization," said college President John Keyser. "I'm very concerned about it and I hope it does not happen again. I hope the student responsible comes to recognize that this creates a

violation of what we are trying to achieve."

He said he was also concerned about the intent of the message.

"Perhaps the people didn't know how others would respond (to the vandalism). What degree of malice was intended? Maybe they thought it was funny, but many see it as malicious," he continued.

Keyser said the values discussed in the purpose statement are not new, but they are open to different interpretations.

"We get the values to students in our daily interactions with students and peers, in the communication that happens in the five-second interaction. We need to be respectful and open," Gray said.

Connett agreed. "We need to honor each other, celebrate our differences and samenesses. We need to help others learn from the same experience."

The president of GALAB, Greg, emphasized the need for greater understanding of diversity.

"People don't understand what it is like to be gay. They think we are some weird outcasts of society. They are just like everyone else. If we all wore masks, we would all be the same," Greg said.

"There's always a difference between vision and reality, and we need to close the distance between that vision and reality. We have to ask ourselves how our actions will close the gap," Keyser concluded.

Passwords now required in computer lab

by Nicole Turley
Staff Writer

Security is not the only reason students are being required to establish passwords to access the computers in the Streeter Hall lab this year; the passwords will also serve another important purpose.

"In the future, we want to start giving electronic mail accounts to students," said Nick Molatore, a computer science instructor at Clackamas.

By Winter Term, these electronic mail accounts will allow students to communicate to other students and faculty members via a computer network known as LAN, (Local Area Network.) LAN will allow students to access the college library catalog from any computer in the school. Therefore, it will serve not only communication purposes, but also, as a

convenient research tool for students.

"It's something we've wanted to do for years, but we had to wait until we got the new hardware and the network equipment," Molatore said.

The Computer Science Department also wants to install a network called Internet, which would allow students to communicate with colleges throughout the world, access card catalogs from dozens of libraries, and allow students to contact institutions that have the Internet system installed.

"If you had friends going to Berkeley in California, you could type a letter to them," Molatore said. With Internet installed, students and faculty could contact anyone from exchange students in foreign countries to President Clinton in the White House.

According to Molatore,

Internet is already in place in a number of schools, and is just now being implemented in small colleges. A grant from the National Science Foundation could make it possible to set up Internet at Clackamas by Spring Term.

"Most people haven't heard about the changes yet. Many students have been inconvenienced because they need to use the computers, but have to wait for a password," said Tammy Markwell, computer lab monitor.

However, according to Molatore, any student at Clackamas can use the computers. Students need to stop by the computer lab and show their student body card to be given a password. Since it takes a day to establish a student with a password, Molatore suggests students take care of it as soon as possible.

Authors' Night features three writers

■ Three readers represent 'changing west' theme

by Christopher Haberman
Staff Writer

Three writers highlighted the fall edition of the college's Authors' Night Oct. 27 in the Gregory Forum, co-sponsored by Friends of the Library and the English Department.

The selected readers this term were Portland poet John Daniel, natural history author Robert Michael Pyle and Native American poet Gloria Bird. The general theme of the reading was the "changing west" and the ecology of culture.

Daniel, who writes mostly about nature, read from "Cuttings," a pieced poem of clear-cutting in Oregon. "It's an essay in pieces," Daniel said, "like many of the things I do."

Daniel also wrote "Com-

mon Ground," a collection of poetry and a contributor to "Beloved the Sky," an anthology of essays and photos on clear cutting. "The ugly things are necessary," Daniel read, speaking of the clear-cut Douglas Firs. Daniel concluded by reading a remembrance to the late William Stafford.

Pyle, a naturalist and biologist who holds a doctorate in ecology and environmental studies from Yale, read from his latest work, "The Thunder Tree: Lessons from an Urban Wildlife."

"Thunder Tree" is a collection of childhood experiences about a urban town he grew up in and its drastic changes.

"It's a connection between us and the damaged land," Pyle commented. "It's my ditch ... it's my old canal." Pyle is

currently working on a book about Bigfoot legends in the Northwest.

"I didn't want to be a secretary," Bird said about her decision to be a writer. Bird read from "Full Moon on the Reservation," which has been praised as a "major addition to Native American Literature."

Bird also read some new work, "Unfaithful," which also complemented the night's theme.

"We, the native people, know extreme change ... we know diversity," Bird said. Bird read about changes on the reservation and the oppression of the native people, and how all the trees are now gone.

The next Authors' Night is scheduled for Feb. 2, and will feature authors of children's books.

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