

News In Brief

Compiled By Vicki Welch

Join the **Writers' Club** every Wednesday from 1 to 2 p.m. in B-112 and every Friday from 5:15 to 6:30 p.m. at Oregon City Subs, Main Street, Oregon City. For more information, contact Robin at ext. 2247.

Annual Writers Club Contest deadline is Feb 21. Entries may be fiction, poetry or creative non-fiction. There may be a maximum of six poems or one fiction/non-fiction entry. Entries must be typed, double-spaced with three copies of each entry. Individual entries must have title and Social Security number. For more information, call ext. 2359.

Writers, writers, wherever you are, **come join Chrysalis**, a writing group to support and encourage the writing of women. We are a group of students interested in creating a safe and respectful environment for women writers, no matter how much or how little we write. Chrysalis meets every Wednesday from noon to 1 p.m. in P-102. No previous experience necessary. Join us! For more information, call Kate Gray, ext. 2371.

Whether you write or read, **come to Community Readings**, an opportunity to hear and read creative work by students, staff, and faculty. This is an encouraging environment for people to read their writing aloud. Learn how to relate to an audience and hear your work. The group meets every other Friday from noon to 1 p.m. in B-113. No previous experience necessary. Join us! For more information, call Kate Gray, ext. 2371.

Are you frustrated? Want to make your mark? Use your **ASG Suggestion Box!** Your suggestions are valid and will be represented.

People who like Rush Limbaugh are trying to start a new group. Its name is the **Ditto Heads Club**. If you are interested, call Sherry Williams at 698-2483, Rick Fletcher at 284-3143 or Gary Brown at 652-0641.

Fiction author and poet **Sherman Alexie** will read from some of his works during a poetry reading on Wednesday at noon in the Gregory Forum. For more information, call Tom Richards at ext. 2285.

Cindy Nelson, a private consultant on aging issues, will discuss how to identify, prevent and report elder abuse at an **Aging Issues Forum** Tuesday from 10 a.m. to noon in CC-127. The forum, entitled "What Constitutes Elder Abuse," is free and open to the public. For more information, call Vivian Thole at ext. 2456.

Come to **Ski Ball '94** at Mt. Hood Meadows on Friday from 4 p.m. to midnight. Cost is \$7. For more information, call Student Activities at ext. 2245.

The College is sponsoring a **National Aerobic Certification** on Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Randall gymnasium. Current and prospective aerobic instructors will have an opportunity to learn exercise science, basic nutrition, injury prevention and low impact/high intensity aerobics in the one-day workshop. Teaching experience is not necessary. For registration information, call 1-800-AEROBIC. For more information, call ext. 2211.

Award-winning writers Eloise McGraw, Erik A. Kimmel and David Gifaldi will read some of their books at a special **Author's Night** program on literature for children and youths Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Gregory Forum. All three authors will have works for sale and will be autographing their books. Following the readings, the writers will participate in a panel discussion about literature for children and youth, and will answer questions from the audience. There is no charge for admissions, but a donation of \$2 will be accepted to benefit the Friends of the Library. For more information, call Allen Widerburg at ext. 2359.

Letters to the Editors:

Students and staff respond with complaints, congrats and a thank you

To the Editor:

I particularly enjoyed the article concerning the new speech class this next term. I've been dreading the thought of taking a speech class, mostly because it's required and I don't have any idea what is offered. Based on the article, it sounds to me like a speech class could be both fun and interesting. Maybe it won't be as terrible as I initially thought it would.

Kristen Ebervein
Clackamas Student

To the Editor:

Regarding the article "Opinion" in the Dec. 8 Clackamas Print: I am a recovering addict; I was an addict for 15-plus years. It is my opinion that marijuana is a very dangerous drug which long-term effects aren't understood by young people. What are we going to do when you "have" to start the morning with a joint and any one of many dangerous and demanding situations occurs? Good luck, bud.

Charles Sullivan
Clackamas Student

Dear Editor

It is good to see that we have an aggressive newspaper printed on campus, (The Clackamas Print). I appreciate that the people involved with the school newspaper cover controversial issues such as gay rights, student grievances, and marijuana prohibition. I'm glad to see that the growing trend of political awareness hasn't infiltrated its way into our school newspaper, and that freedom of speech is alive and well at CCC.

Charles Root
Clackamas Student

To the Editor:

In response to Michael Lee's grievance, drop it, Michael. Everyone leans to one side or the other, and if you weren't liberal yourself, you would have no problem with Mr. Rau's quips regarding liberals. How many teachers are there today who are liberal, as opposed to conservative? Many; I have had to listen to their opinions stated as facts throughout my schooling. How many different ways are there to teach history about a war? Often only one is taught, usually liberal. A Political Science major should have the skills to ascertain fact from opinion, so why not open yourself to an opposing viewpoint? Also, if you are going to pick on a "conservative," and God forbid, probably a Dittohead too, then keep it as equal as you wish Mr. Rau would; complain about a liberal teacher, too.

Thank you,
Darren Dighy
Clackamas Student

To the Editor:

I am all for respecting authority and for open discussions and debates on individual views and beliefs. Expressing personal opinions is very important in realizing your individuality. But when an authority figure tries to sway a student's opinion by stereotyping and not representing both sides fairly, this goes too far. I'm against stereotyping of any group of people because it is misleading and general and never fairly represents that group. I respect Michael Lee for his bravery in taking a stand against the authority when he feels he's been violated.

Rachel Austin
Clackamas Student

To The Editor:

I would like to thank this opportunity to thank all our college colleagues and friends who helped by supporting the benefit concert for Rene' Rathburn's granddaughter, Alexandra, on Sunday.

I'm sure many of you saw the feature story in the Sunday Oregonian, written by our friend Jann Mitchell. That story helped get the word out about our concert and silent auction; the event was sold out, and all together we raised more than \$21,000 for Alexandra's family. It was quite a day!

I would like to thank, especially, my friends Ellen Wolfson, who helped produce the event, Carol Evans, who helped us staff it, and Kate Gray, who read her poem -- along with those of you who bought tickets, made donations or came on Sunday to lend your support. It was wonderful seeing college friends in the audience!

A sincere thanks -
Linda Vogt

To the Editor:

I'm writing in response to a letter published in the December 1 issue titled "Self-proclaimed discriminator gives history lesson."

I agree with Tony Fletcher about how most of us are getting tired of the issue. Everyday I hear something about the OCA and I'm getting tired of it. We need to take care of the problem of gays and lesbians and then leave it behind us. I like to control my own destiny, but I can't while all this is going on.

Either help the situation or don't. Whatever you do, don't contribute more fuel to the fire.

Jacob May
Clackamas Student

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Speech team excels at tournament

by Leila Aman
The Print Staff

The Clackamas Forensics team placed second among two-year colleges at the Pacific Lutheran Tournament last weekend.

"It was a very successful tournament for those of us who competed in individual events,"

team member Nicole Turley said.

In the novice division Jennifer LeMarte placed third in impromptu. It was a successful day for Angela Bounds, who took second place for speaker points in debate, third place in persuasive novice and was a finalist in novice prose. Avril Johnson placed second in senior informative and first

in senior persuasion.

Extemporaneous speaker Patrick Lairson was a finalist in the junior division of this event. "Lairson has received a number of awards at previous tournaments in this event," Turley said.

Overall, the coach was pleased with the team's performance at the competition.

"We were complemented by a number of coaches because we only brought six people to the tournament and placed second in the sweepstakes," head coach Randy Baker explained.

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