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✓ Pick up a library survey questionnaire and give your input about library hours. Let the library know your opinion. Questionnaires are available in the ASG office, the Help Center and on the circulation counter in the library.

✓ Clackamas art major Chris (Angel) Miller is currently presenting an art show in the CCC Art Center. The works are "emotional abstracts" and are sometimes accompanied by Miller's personal poetry. The show runs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. until Monday, every weekday in the Art Center's second-floor gallery.

✓ Thanks to everyone who entered the Writers' Club contest, and congratulations to the award winners!! The Awards Ceremony will be held, at noon Friday, in the Gregory Forum.

✓ The CCC Theatre Department will be looking for four women and three men to perform in the upcoming environmental comedy "Betty the Yeti." Auditions will be March 6, from 3 to 5 p.m., in the McLoughlin Theatre. For more information, call ext. 2356.

✓ Learn how to avoid scams at a seminar sponsored by the Seasoned Adults Enrichment Program. Cost is \$3. The seminar will be March 1, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., in room H111 of the Harmony Center. For more information, call ext. 3212.

✓ The North American Open Poetry Contest will be awarding a total of \$24,000 in prizes to over 250 poets. The contest is open to everyone. The deadline is March 31. For more information, call Pamela Roberts at (410)356-2000.

✓ Pianist Jennifer Goodenberger will perform at 7:30 p.m. today in the Gregory Forum. Cost is free and the concert is open to the public.

✓ The Book Mart will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 13-17, 27-31 and April 3-5 in the Community Center. For more info see page 2 or contact ASG at ext. 2247.

All day classes on the main campus will be cancelled tomorrow for the Skills Contest.

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College honors black history month



Photo by Chad Pattenon

ASG honors black history month by displaying artwork of African American history in the Dye Learning Center.

by Anjanette Booth
 News Editor

Student government is helping CCC recognize Black History month by displaying a time-line of black history art work in the Dye

Learning Center. The time-line runs from 1619 through 1971, recognizing slavery and its abolishment, great African American leaders and the process of establishing equal rights for everyone. The art work

is split up into six different categories: Slavery in America 1649-1865, The Abolitionist Period 1688-1865, The American Revolution 1770-1783, The Civil War 1861-1865, The Reconstruction Era 1865-1871, and Civil Rights 1946-1971.

Some important dates in African American history, recognized in the art work, include Jan. 1, 1863, when President Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation declaring all slaves free. In 1865 the 13th Amendment was passed abolishing slavery in the United States. The 14th amendment was passed, establishing equal protection for all citizens in 1866.

The first black lieutenant

governor in the U.S. was Oscar J. Dunn. In 1874 Robert B. Elliot of South Carolina, delivered his famous speech on civil rights in the House of Representatives.

"What you give to one class you must give to all; what you deny to one class you shall deny to all..." said Elliot in his famous speech.

In 1946 the movement for equal rights took off. The U.S. Supreme Court banned segregation in interstate bus travel in 1946. Rosa Park's refusal to take a seat in the back of a bus in 1955 began the Montgomery Bus Boycott. In 1957 President Eisenhower sent troops to Little Rock, Arkansas to prevent interference with school integration. The Civil Rights Act was passed in 1964 ending discrimination in public accommodations. Martin Luther King Jr. also won the Nobel Peace Prize.

CCC eyes new law enforcement center

by John Rumler
 Contributing Writer

The fate of a proposed Clackamas Community College Regional Law Enforcement Center won't be decided until a CCC Board of Directors meeting March 8, but support for the \$2.7 million facility seems to be gaining momentum on and off campus.

If approved, construction on the center could begin late this summer and be completed by September of 1996. The training center, which would be one of the first such facilities in the nation to be community college based, would boost student full time enrollment by 100, with the tuition money going into CCC's general fund.

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Although plans for the training facility have been in the works for two years, the curriculum, a key element for the center, came together last fall. Another important hurdle was cleared in December when a comprehensive survey reassured CCC officials that the 19,000 square-foot training center would be used by a wide range of people throughout the metropolitan area.

Through independent research conducted by Hobson, Johnson, and Associates, CCC officials estimate that the center

could attract over 123,000 paying customers per year. Both the general public and the law enforcement community were included in the survey.

Dean of College Services Gary Dirrim is confident that the center, if approved, will be a boon, and not a boondoggle, for the college. "It fits into where our criminal justice department wants to go, plus I see it as a money maker for the college," he said.

The center, which will be located off campus, has attracted a wide range of outside supporters ranging from the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office to the United States Postal Inspection Service. Dirrim received over a half dozen re-

sponses from local city police departments, including letters from the Portland, Oregon City and Lake Oswego Police Departments, citing a desperate need for an up to date firearm training facility.

The training center, which hopes to serve 3,000 police officers as well as over 10,000 students is projected to realize around \$1 million in annual revenue. With estimated operating costs of \$700,000, CCC would net a

yearly profit of approximately \$300,000.

Ninety percent of the center's income would be generated by lab fees, tuition and ammunition sales. It is estimated that the center would bring some 30,000 repeat visitors each year, not including law enforcement agencies from a five county area who will also pay for using the facility.

All persons accessing the firearms center will be registered CCC students and must first complete a mandatory Firearms Safety

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and Curriculum Orientation class, said Dirrim. The firearms curriculum includes four levels ranging from beginner level to expert level certification. Dirrim said other community service courses such as security officer firearms qualifications and concealed firearms permit certifications may also be offered.

The firing ranges will provide training for pistols and shotguns but no high powered rifles or automatic weapons. Trained

firearms instructors will be on the ranges at all times and safety and security will be priorities, according to Dirrim.

Dirrim stressed that the center will be built off campus and said the college was looking at a 2.5-acre lot next to the Oregon City Fire Station on Mollala Avenue. The lot is about one-quarter of a mile from CCC and is located between Highway 213 and Mollala Avenue.

"It's our primary site right now. We're keeping our options open as far as choosing a location," Dirrim said.

Seven full-time and part-time employees, with salaries totaling \$211,000 annually, will staff the training center

which would be open to the public every day of the week, from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m.

Main features of the physical structure include two separate firing ranges built with concrete double-construction walls, four classrooms, a conference room and various offices and storage facilities.

A 15 year certificate of participation (COP) bond will be created to cover the construction costs and all equipment for the center.