

Students earn credit for working in chosen career fields while still attending school Nurses get experience with new programs

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Nursing students have a new way of getting hands-on experience. Through Cooperative Work Experience; nursing students can receive elective credit while working a student nurse internship at a local hospital. Last winter, Nursing Department Chair, Arlene Jurgens, began coordinating this work experience.

"Nursing students traditionally do internships and clinicals to gain their nursing skills, but co-op takes them one step further to actually practicing independently as a student nurse in a paid position," Jodi Stapleton, Cooperative Work Experience.

Four students were hired in their co-op experience as health care technicians at Legacy Meridian Park Hospital. These students were hired as interns only, because there were no permanent positions available.

At the end of their co-op at the hospital, the students graduated from the program.

According to Jurgens, upon graduation, the hospital appreciated the hard work and capabilities of the students and all of them were hired as registered nurses.

"I think co-op helped a lot," said Jurgens "They weren't going to hire any new grads."

Out of 28 nursing students that graduated last June, 27 are

currently working as registered nurses (RNs). This is a good average considering that according to Jurgens, right now the job market for RNs is small.

Last summer new sites were developed for the nursing co-op program, Legacy Emmanuel Hospital, Crestview Convalescent Center and the Benedictine Nursing Center. Nursing students going into their second year of schooling worked as student nurse interns.

Four of the student nurses were hired into permanent positions at the end of their co-op. The co-op gave them the opportunity to use skills learned in CCC's nursing program to get them into their current jobs.

Cooperative work experience is not only available to nursing students.

Co-op is also available to students studying in other areas including auto body, building construction, business administration, drafting technology and more.

Students can work in their chosen field while receiving college credit, applying what they have learned to on-the-job experience that other students from other schools may not have.

Anyone interested or wanting more information about the cooperative work experience program can contact Jodi Stapleton in CC113 or by calling ext. 2273.

Public safety warns against 'false sense of security'

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While one student complains to another about having his car broken into, two women at the Child Care Center had their purses stolen, with one purse containing over \$500.

Is theft and personal safety a problem at CCC and if so what can be done about it?

Jim Wiseman, director of public safety, feels that based on past records the amount of theft and personal endangerment have stayed about the same, not going up or down. CCC has a reputation for being a safe campus, "But people can get lulled into a false sense of security because of the beautiful surroundings," stated Wiseman.

"Theft in any public area is always a problem. We have so many gadgets, walkmans and cameras that we can leave in a car seat or restroom or lay on a table, turn our backs and it's gone," Wiseman said. The solution to the problem, he feels, lies within each one of us to be vigilant, aware, observant and not to make ourselves a target. He further mentioned we need to watch out for each other, "as brothers and sisters."

There have been some car thefts in the past but none so far this year and only about 3 car

break-ins in the last 12 months. But with winter coming on, darker cloudier skies, the sun going down earlier and less light, crime can be on the increase. We all need to be more careful and observant. If you do see something suspicious go to a safe area or building and phone for help. You don't need a quarter to phone from a public pay phone to dial 911. Or once inside dial O for the operator who will connect you with the switchboard or dial extension 2302. Don't try to intervene as the assailant may be armed. If you have been victimized, report it immediately.

When students were asked whether they felt safe on campus the response was positive. Melissa, a psyche major, said she felt safe here on campus and hasn't had anything taken or know of anyone who has but had a wallet taken while at another college. She mentioned she had left her bag on a table here for about 20 minutes and no one bothered it. Debbie Barker, a nursing major, said she doesn't feel unsafe or know of anyone who has a problem with theft. When asked how safe she felt at night, mentioned she walked out of her class as a group and someone walked with her to her car.

There are many things that we personally can do to make this

an even safer campus and combat theft. Wiseman suggests to not leave anything out in plain view in your car. Put it under the seat, take it with you or put it in your trunk. Stereo systems can be purchased that are removable or that have a detachable face. Use the "Club" or similar device that locks onto your steering wheel. Lock your doors and take your keys. Don't tempt thieves by setting your personal belongings down and walking away. If it is someone else's property watch over it or turn it in to an instructor, office staff or security guard.

For personal safety you can call one of the cadets in training at night to walk you to your car. Security guards on campus do have a two year degree in criminal justice and take special classes through Clackamas County Criminal Justice Department. Wiseman also feels that students walking around the trails of the outer perimeter of the campus should be with a friend as the thick foliage can conceal an attacker. If you are held up don't resist as property can be replaced, people can't. For those who would like more information there are two free brochures, one on personal safety and the other one on campus safety; that can be picked up in the public safety office at Clairmont Hall, room 150 A.

'Green Day' rocks with 'Insomniac'

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The newest CD **Insomniac** by **Green Day** is a lot like their last CD **Dookie**, it has the same basic sound that **Green Day** is famous for. It has the trademark repetitive yet strong lead guitar, and awesome bass riffs by Mike Dirnt. The drums by Tre Cool are

spectacular as usual.

On this CD **Green Day** experiments a little with a few songs that are more like rock and less like the punk rock. Don't get me wrong this new sound is not bad, it's good, just different.

The fourth track is **Green Day's** newest hit single called **Geek Stink Breath**. It is also my

favorite song through the first half of the tape. The last half of the tape is very good.

This CD gets a three stars out of a possible four, only because it's not as good as their last CD. But it is still a good CD. **Green Day** fans will enjoy it, but it may not be as popular as **Dookie** was, only time will tell.

Smith-English brings new ideas to Clackamas theater

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David Smith-English, the new theater teacher, is new to teaching here at Clackamas, but not to the college. He worked at Clackamas from 1980 to 1987, when he was in charge of designing sets and teaching theater techniques.

Smith-English then moved on to Jefferson High School where he taught theater. He worked with eight other staff members to make Jefferson's theater one of the best in the state. He also directed an acting ensemble for Jefferson that toured the West Coast. "This was one of my most enjoyable experiences," said Smith-English.

Smith-English has been a professional actor, director, singer and designer. He has also worked in most theaters in the Portland area. His favorite play is the one he worked on here at Clackamas last spring, "Betty the Yeti."

Right now Smith-English is

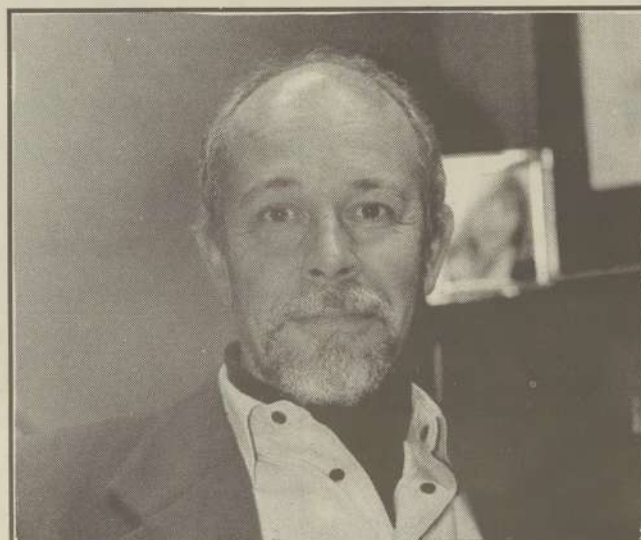


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working on the newest play to be shown at Clackamas called "Mouse Trap." This play will start at the end of November and will play into early December.

Smith-English has been married for 18 years. His wife, Cyndy, also works in the theater and has

been in some local commercials. She was recently seen in the newest commercial for Kaiser Permanente. Smith-English is a huge Mariners fan, and has been one for many years. He stressed the fact that he is not a fair weather fan..

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