

Computer lab provides place to work for students

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There have been questions by users about the computer and math labs. What are they for? What can students expect from them?

Lab Manager Kathy Logemann talked about the role of the lab and its goals.

The labs are open Mon., Tue., Thurs. 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Wed. 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m., Fri. 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sat. 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., for students to work on their homework, receive help from math tutors and get directions on using computers. Logemann explained that tutors, provided by the college, are not responsible for all the computer programs and don't necessarily

know all levels of math.

Many of the computer questions refer to programs that aren't computer science related. These include Spanish and Accounting software. The programs are there as a resource for students.

Computer Science tutors are expected to only have completed CS 121 and below and to be enrolled in BA131, a business computing class, or CS 161, a computer major course.

One of the problems facing both the math and computer labs each year is outgoing students. In a two-year college, most of the students who have taken the higher level classes leave soon after they have finished them, leaving them unavailable for tutoring.

Logemann did say that questions will be answered either by the tutors, herself or the math coordinator. If students find out when the tutors with expertise in their field of study will be working in the labs, they can receive help during these times.

Even this criteria is not solid. With the addition of Microsoft Office over the summer to the network, some exceptions have been made.

"At least some students in the lab have been through the class. They may not have met all the other criteria, but we felt it was in the best interest of the students that would be taking CS 121 to have at least some students available to them that were familiar with those programs that we had

just transitioned to," explained Logemann.

"It is like going to the bakery and getting upset because they won't do your laundry for you," Logemann said.

Tutors aren't supposed to know all the programs, or all the levels of math. Logemann said that "the tutors' purpose is to assist students in learning rather than to know all the answers."

"The monitors' position is like that of a receptionist or hostess. They do not necessarily have background in math or computer science. It isn't part of the selection process. I choose them because they are personable people," Logemann said.

The monitors hand out disks, video tapes and tests, not help out

with computers.

Tonight the lab will be open until midnight, and on Thursday it will open at 6 a.m.

Finals week, the lab will open Monday through Wednesday and Thursday night for the finals.

Winter term, the school will be offering an accelerated degree program in building construction. There will be additional hours provided for these students. They will add four hours on Fridays from 5 to 9 p.m. and two hours on Saturdays from 8 to 10 a.m. Monitors will be there and students are welcome to come.

"But it would not be a good time to plan if you need to cram on your math or some computer science project and you need help," Logemann said.

Kirkpatrick receives award

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Corky Kirkpatrick was named by Oregon Press Women (OPW) as their Communicator of Achievement for the state.

Each year a member is chosen, at the state level, then that person is in competition for the national award. This year the award was given to Kirkpatrick, the grants and special projects manager at CCC. In June there will be a big awards ceremony in North Carolina. At this ceremony someone will be honored with the national award. Kirkpatrick will have the privilege of attending this ceremony.

The Oregon Press Women Communicator of Achievement award is based on professionalism, leadership in the community and involvement with press women.

Kirkpatrick was honored to receive such a prestigious award.

"I really was surprised, I had no idea I had been nominated for it," said Kirkpatrick.

OPW is an affiliate of the National Federation of Press Women (NFPW) and is not limited to just women. One-third of the members are journalists for news papers, one-third are free-lance writers and one-third are involved in radio or public relations.

Two years ago Kirkpatrick was the president of OPW for two years. She has also served on the National Education Board of NFPW.

Kirkpatrick taught journalism at the University of South Florida for a



Photo by Josh Kehler

Award winner, Corky Kirkpatrick, is the grants and special projects manager for the college.

year. She has written for the Tampa Tribune and the Lake Oswego Review. She was also the Public Relations Director for Portland Community College.

Kirkpatrick was a member of the Lake Oswego Council for four years and a member of Metro Council for 10 years. She helped write the legislation that formed metro. In 1981 she was the president of the National Association of Regional Councils. Currently, Kirkpatrick is the secretary for the Volunteer Center Board.

Being named Communicator of Achievement for the state by the OPW was a special honor for Kirkpatrick. "That was a very big surprise," said Kirkpatrick.

Community Relations honored

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The Community Relations Office submitted four publications to the National Council for Marketing and Public Relations (NCMPR) District VII Conference and won medallion awards for each publication.

CCC won gold honors for their poster advertising the gift certificate program. This poster has been posted on campus, at senior centers as well as other public places.

"The award was for the idea (gift certificate program) as well as the poster," said Corky Kirkpatrick, grants and special projects manager.

The judges' comments about this publication reflect its quality: "Good 'get the word out' campaign. Good marketing value, whether or not you got money back."

The "Connections" newsletter, a publication for high school counselors, received silver honors. This newsletter is produced three times a year to tell counselors about CCC and its activities. An issue from last year and an issue from this year were submitted to show the improvements that were made.

The judges' comments about the newsletter were positive: "Easy to read. Good use of color, type, layout. Nice masthead. Liked use of reverse text at bottom of page. The improvement from one year's production to the next was dramatic."

CCC submitted its apprenticeship brochure which advertises the new

Training Center building. The brochure won the bronze medallion.

This brochure received positive comments from the judges as well as some suggestions for improvement: "A beautiful piece! Excellent visuals and graphics; organized; readable; colors appealing. Wonderful job of achieving relaxed look on subjects in posed photos." One judge wanted to see the quality portrait photos used more prevalently over the building shots. "Photography great - flaunt it more! Elements fought for my attention."

The final publication was the "Real People" brochure which received a bronze medallion. This is a CCC Foundation annual campaign mailer. The college purchased names to create a mailing list. The hope was to find new supporters for the college. Kirkpatrick commented that it has been a successful program.

The judges' comments reflect the quality of this publication. "Nice job of using real people and making the reader want to read. Use of Peter Jacobson, though, doesn't seem to fit the rest of it. Good job, otherwise, with stories which everyone can relate to."

Kirkpatrick gave credit for these awards to the whole college, not just the Community Relations Office.

"This is not just a Community Relations Office award; it is an award to the college," said Kirkpatrick. "We could never have won these unless we had really good graphic artists that can pull off the ideas."

Happy Holidays from the Library!



No fines will be charge for overdue Library materials during December

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In honor of the holiday spirit, the Clackamas Community College Library is waiving all fines on overdue, regular library materials returned between December 1 and December 21, 1995. Damaged or lost books are exempt from the waiver.

During these days of grace, the library will accept any excuse, without question. In fact, the best excuse will win a \$10 gift certificate from the CCC from the CCC Bookstore. Submitted excuses should be 25 words or less, and submitted at the same time you return your overdue library books (no later than 5 p.m. on December 21, 1995).

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