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AT A GLANCE

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Spring Term classes begin Mon., March 25. Look for the next issue of *The Print* on April 10.

The 23rd Annual International Women's Day in Portland is a multi-cultural arts event and resource fair that will include music, poetry readings, arts, crafts, food, and tables staffed by women-owned businesses and groups that support women's issues. Free breast exams and mammograms will be offered. To volunteer, call 287-7322. For more information, call 228-3565.

March is Women's History Month. In recognition of this, Lucinda Parker will present a slide show on Northwest women artists today, at noon, in Gregory Forum room C. For more information, call Susanna Lundgren at ext. 2386.

Attention all Native American students: Meetings for the **Native American Students Club** are now scheduled for every Thurs., at 5 p.m., usually in the Community Center. For more information, call Sylvia Ollgaard at 632-4619, Laney Fouse at 266-6957, or Cori Kargel at ext. 2578.

Several **volunteer opportunities** are now available for people wishing to explore careers, transition employment, or sharpening work skills for eventual paid employment. For more information, call Vicki or Ann at 657-2123.

Student art works from fall and winter terms are currently on display in a free exhibit. Art enthusiasts and non-enthusiasts alike are invited to experience this showing, every Mon. through Thurs. from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m., and every Fri. from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., in the Pauling Gallery. For more information, call Susanna Lundgren at ext. 2386.

CCC Environmental Committee meetings are every Weds., from 11 to 11:30 a.m., in P102. Everyone is invited to participate in focus groups: Helping the ELC, Bottle Bill Expansion, Recycling on Campus, AmeriCorp Projects and Environmental Week. For more information, call Ken Eschelman at ext. 2245.

Petitions for graduation are now being accepted. Only petitions submitted by March 29 are guaranteed inclusion in the graduation program. Petitions will be accepted after that date with no guarantee for inclusion. The graduation ceremony will be June 7. For more information, see the Registrar's office or the Help Center.

Do you need **resume assistance**? There is now a Resume Work Station in the Career Center. For more information, inquire at the Career Center.

Volunteers are needed to **help adults learn to read.** For more information, please call Joe Van Zutphen at ext. 2724.

The Portland Women's Crisis Line needs women to commit to being volunteer crisis intervention counselors. Be a part of an organization that actively works to end violence against women and children. Practicum credit is available for student volunteers. For more information or an application, call 232-9545.

Several scholarships are still available for 1995-96. Stop by the Financial Aid office and check them out.

Instructor revealed, claims his controversial comment a 'non-issue'

Damon Fouts
Staff Writer

CCC drafting instructor Terence Shumaker calls the controversial statement he made at last November's CCC faculty meeting a non-issue, and says the real issue is who leaked a misquote of the statement to CCC student John Garvison in the first place.

The statement Shumaker made at the meeting was, "Yeah, maybe a student's grade should be based on the number of factual errors in e-mail."

That was the statement Garvison "paraphrased" and erroneously attributed to Journalism Instructor Linda Vogt before the CCC Board of Directors in January, which sparked a series of meetings among the top hierarchy of the students, faculty and administration.

Shumaker acknowledged that the comment, which was greeted with laughter at the November meeting of the Clackamas Community College Educational Association (CCCEA), concerned e-mail from John Garvison to faculty members.

"There was banter going back and forth. It was a typical meeting where comments were flying...It wasn't a formal motion," Shumaker said.

Shumaker says he would not base a student's grade on anything but academic performance.

"I've been teaching here for 19 years and my grades are based on classroom performance," Shumaker said.

Jeff Ori, one of Shumaker's recent students, agreed, saying that the instructor was, "...the best drafting instructor we have." Ori called Shumaker's grading policies "fair. He's fair to everyone."

Shumaker believes focusing on his comment misses what he considers the larger issue of who betrayed the secrecy of a closed faculty meeting by telling Garvison about the comment.

"The issue is that either a student or a staff member has violated

the trust of the faculty," he said.

Shumaker said the violation stems from the act of revealing a discussion to Garvison that took place in a closed meeting of the CCCEA, which is the collective bargaining voice for the CCC faculty. Shumaker also considers it an issue that the identity of the person that revealed the discussion hasn't itself been revealed.

The drafting instructor said he learned three or four weeks ago that the comment attributed to Vogt was actually his. He said he learned this when he was told by colleagues that the voice of the tape-recorded comment played at the February CCCEA meeting (which he did not attend) sounded like his voice. The recording was of the November CCCEA when the comment was made.

Shumaker said repeatedly that the reason he then didn't come forward, upon learning he made the comment, was that he felt the comment was a non-issue.

"(Outgoing CCCEA Presi-

dent) Joe Uris and (CCC President) John Keyser both came forward and indicated it was a misinterpreted comment and was a non-issue," Shumaker said.

He said he wasn't aware of and couldn't comment on Keyser's "yes" answer when Keyser was asked by *The Print* whether he thought Shumaker made a mistake by not coming forward.

When asked whether he thought it was an issue that Vogt was still linked to Shumaker's comment days after he learned he had actually said it, he said, "That's probably an issue for the person who misconstrued the statement and who blew it out of proportion... It's not an issue for me."

Shumaker wasn't aware that the CCCEA meetings were being taped and that the meeting transcripts were on the college's F-drive.

"I'm against it," he said of both forms of record-keeping.

College may take ELC under wing

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The last couple years have been tough, financially, for the Environmental Learning Center; a task force has been created to discuss the possibility of the college taking over ELC.

"Over the last two or three years the ELC has been through some rough times. The (ELC) board has been working real hard. They just haven't been able to quite get it going again," said Chuck Scott, assistant dean for science, math and allied health. "They came real close last year to breaking even, but didn't quite and they have about used up their reserves."

The director of the ELC was forced to step down from his job

only six months after he started. Vaughn L. Brown's last day at ELC was Jan. 31. He was forced to quit because the center could no longer afford to pay his \$36,000-a-year salary.

Brown attempted to revitalize ELC's budget, which suffered in 1994 when the founder pleaded guilty to stealing money and equipment to pay for drugs according to the story in *The Oregonian*.

In November there was talk about Clackamas Community College taking over ELC which has operated separately since it was established 23 years ago as a pioneering recycling center.

Over the last several months the college has had a series of

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Tuition to increase \$1

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Due to changes in CCC's "Strategic Financial Plan," (SFP) tuition increase will only be \$1, as opposed to the initial proposal of a \$2 increase.

The decrease in the proposal occurred because of various savings in utilities and a change in the "State Funding Formula," (SFF) which resulted in a projected \$350,000 surplus in the 1998-99 school year.

The SFF changes, however, must be approved by the Presidents and State Board of Education.

Even though the changes haven't been approved yet, Dean of College Services Gary Dirrim felt that "it's not clear just yet, but we think it's sold."

Dirrim also said that the

changes are going to benefit the students and the college.

"It's great, because it helps meet the student needs, and now we (CCC) have a better marketing position," said Dirrim.

More changes could occur in the SFP, because the college has not yet figured the \$140,000 savings that the PGE/MicroGrid would provide.

The SFP was initiated in order to keep technology current, along with figuring the cost impact of early retirements, Environmental Learning Center status changes (which will result in a potential cost increase if ELC becomes a part of the college) and federal changes, which could represent a potential loss of grant and financial aid dollars due to federal budget cuts.



After 23 years, the Environment Learning Center faces the possibility of becoming part of the college or closing. According to Associate Dean Chuck Scott, if the college makes ELC a department of the college, the Haggart Observatory could be used to offer Astronomy classes.

Energy retro-fitting plan to reduce costs

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In order to reduce college operating costs, an energy retro-fitting plan is being studied and if approved by the Board of Directors, may start in May.

Dean of College Services Gary Dirrim has met with Portland General Electric (PGE) and Micro Grid, who will contract for the work, to discuss what needs to be done. The college's consultant has also taken part in the meetings to check the analysis of the plan to see if it is accurate and will do what PGE and Micro Grid predict it will.

"Their report will go to the board and they will make recom-

mendations for the contract later in April. If the plan is approved, work can begin as early as May. It will take seven months to implement the recommendations and should be completed by December of 1996. We can start saving by January 1997," said Dirrim.

"Our goal was to reduce operating costs by 25 percent. We've interviewed other universities and colleges to see what they had done. That translates to about \$141,000 a year," said Dirrim. However a preliminary report by Micro Grid predicted an additional 2 percent a year savings which is better than they

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