

Reed College accepts two CCC students

Part 1 of 2. See next week's *Print* for the feature story on Jacob Juntunen.

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Lyman Louis and Jacob Juntunen are two of approximately 50 transfer students that Reed College is accepting this year.

This is a development that speaks well of our institution's instructors and students alike. Starting this Fall, Louis and Juntunen will build upon the impressive foundations laid here at Clackamas through higher academic pursuits.

Louis is a Political Science honor student who has returned to college after several years in the workforce to pursue a degree, now that his wife is nearly finished with her college studies.

"When we got married, we spent the first eight years of our marriage putting her through two Master's Degrees. She's just now finishing her Ph.D. We're pretty ingrained in academics, so once it became opportune, financially, for us, she was able to take a job teaching, and I could quit my work and go back to school," said Louis. He was then able to study here at Clackamas majoring in Political Science while minoring in History.

When asked about his future ambitions, Louis explained that he has a lot of options under consideration. "I have an interest in the law, and it is definitely a possibility. Once I get my Bachelor's degree I will get a Master's, and it will probably be in some area of either public policy, public administration or urban planning. I spent a lot of my career working in public transportation systems, and one of the things I realized was that I'd never get past a middle management position unless I had a degree, and that's why I decided to go back to school."

Louis has still more interests beyond this. "I've broadened my horizons," he professes. "I'm interested possibly in instructing.

I'm interested in writing. I'm interested in all kinds of things now."

Louis came to apply and be accepted at Reed through the intervention of a Clackamas instructor. "I applied to Reed College on the recommendation of Stephen Applebaum and was very strongly encouraged to do so," Louis related. He went on to say that "we met at some occasion and got to talking. His wife is finishing her Master's at Reed, and they both strongly encouraged me to apply to Reed."

Though doubtful at first, things came together rather quickly for Louis. "When I talked to the Dean of Admissions, I told him, 'well, I may be interested in the college; I'm not sure that I am, and if I ever were interested in the college, I'd have to have financing'... they were very receptive of that," said Louis. Louis' financial situation was accommodated for by the college--he is receiving \$15,000 from the college itself, as well as \$4,000 from the Women's Committee. "It will cost me less to attend Reed than it did to attend Clackamas," affirmed Louis.

Louis is very enthusiastic about the fact that local students are being accepted at prestigious institutions. "Students at Clackamas can go to places beyond Portland State. You can go to Reed, which is one of the top 5 academic institutions in liberal arts in the country," said Louis. He is also quick to point out that, "I'm not the only one who has gone on to great academic institutions; in our Honors program, one of our women is looking at Stanford, Yale or Harvard as possible post-graduate work."

It is because of this academic excellence that Louis has observed that he is frustrated about the treatment of students. "Too often the administration and the faculty treat the students here as 13th graders... and there are some who deserve that treatment, but it is not the case for most of us," Louis stated. It is partly due to this opinion that Louis has maintained his other claim to fame here at CCC--he is



Photo by Amy Ku'uipo Hanson

CCC student Lyman Louis was recently accepted to Reed College

involved in producing *The Underground*.

When asked about his involvement with *The Underground*, Louis smiled. "It has been attributed to me, and really, the only thing I want to say about *The Underground* is that when the assistant Dean of Admissions at Reed College heard about it, she was extremely enthusiastic about the existence of *The Underground*... and she wants me to bring *The Underground* to Reed. And that was after I told her that we were critical of the administration, and that we were critical of some of the faculty members," said Louis. "I think it's an appropriate attitude on the part of the administration there, and it reflects an inappropriate one on the part of the administration here," he went on to say.

Louis is somewhat disheartened by the lack of recognition of his acceptance at Reed by the administration. In fact, the fanfare over his achievement was so little that a group of students from his Honors class took it upon themselves to send a letter to both *The Print* and *The Underground* demanding that he be given his due. Lee Eby, who signed the letter and is a Teacher's Assistant in that class, stated that, "It is unfortunate that the students had to initiate this when the college's goal is academic excellence, and in this case, this is a prime example of such."

Louis agreed, adding that, "The last time someone got in at Reed, the *Print* did a front page story, and the

president of the college took them out to lunch or had some sort of banquet... I can do without the adulation... Quite frankly, I don't care if I have lunch with the president or not, but why the difference? Realistically, this is a time to celebrate what Clackamas can do for the students here."

Louis is quick to affirm that his time here at Clackamas is what enabled him to go on to a prestigious institution. "You can go to the best institutions in the country--in the world, for that matter. And that's because Clackamas has some excellent instructors," said Louis.

Louis is very proud to be a part of Clackamas Community College, and so is irate when confronted by negative attitudes on campus. "I've heard a lot of instructors say, 'Well, this is just Clackamas.' Well, how is it that Clackamas has the best debate team in the damn country?" asked Louis. "The best debater just got a full ride at Linfield. We've got an excellent track team. We've got some of the best instructors in the area. We've got a lot of great things going for this college."

Why is it 'just Clackamas?' Our Associated Student Government has gone in just a couple of years from being mediocre at best to being top flight and is a model for Associated Student Governments across the country. We're the only community college with an Honors program in the State of Oregon. Why is it 'just Clackamas?'

We should be just shouting from the rooftops about how great Clackamas is, and how great the students are," said Louis.

CLUB

CALENDAR

❖ **PHI THETA KAPPA EXEC MEETINGS** 12 noon, M204, Tuesdays, 5/28. Questions? Call Kate Gray, ext. 2371 or Rosemary at 257-7765. All PTK members welcome.

❖ **Help Everyone's Environment Live (HEEL)**, the new environmental club, now meets every Wed., from 11 to 11:50 a.m., in P124. For more information, call ext. 2247. Also, HEEL is sponsoring a barbecue on Wednesday, 5/22 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

❖ **Chrysalis Come CELEBRATE** women writing! Join other women writers every Wednesday at 12 p.m. in B114. No matter how you write, you are ready to read. ?'s, call Kate Gray at ext. 2371.

❖ **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 Eshelman at ext. 2245.

❖ **Attention all students:** Be sure to attend the POWWOW sponsored by CCC's Coyote Circle on Saturday, June 1, in Randall Gym. Grand Entry is at 6 p.m. Dancing, drumming, raffle, great food! Questions? Contact Laney at ext. 2309.

❖ **GALAB:** Treat yourself to a support group for Gays, Lesbians and Bisexuals. Meetings are Thursdays at 4 p.m. at Starbucks in the Oregon City Fred Meyer's; and Friday's, 12 p.m. in P104. Questions? Call ext. 2371.

❖ **NEED A BREAK ON TUESDAY NIGHTS?** Come join TNT - Tuesday Night Together at Barclay Village, Apt. 404, 7:30 p.m. Call Carolyn for directions, info or if you have questions at 650-8526.

❖ **Fellowship of Christian Athletes** has meetings every Thursday from 12:30 to 1:30 in Randall 012. Everyone, including non-athletes are welcome.

❖ **Come Learn About the Baha'i Faith.** Every Friday from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in B112. Discussions will focus on the basic beliefs of the Baha'i Faith, such as the oneness of God, of religions, humanity, and on applying spiritual solutions to daily life. All are welcome.

POWWOW

Saturday, June 1, CCC Campus, Randall Gym



Host Drum

Eagle Valley

MC

David Brown-Eagle

CCC's Coyote Circle is co-sponsoring this powwow, in conjunction with the Indian Education Program for Clackamas County and the Parent Committee.

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