

## Accident claims student's life

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There is a multitude of choices each of us must make in life, some make little difference in our daily existence while others lead to a devastating and final conclusion. Such is the case of Steve Noble, 19-year-old Clackamas student.

Noble died last Monday night in an alcohol-related accident on McLoughlin Boulevard in Milwaukie. He was the driver of

the vehicle. Noble, along with passenger Joshua O'Leary, was pronounced dead at the scene.

Noble was in the process of completing requirements in the college's high school diploma program.

"He was friendly and open. He was close to the other students in the program. He had a lot of positive things going for him," said Kathy Yamamura, his English and history instructor.

His funeral, which was held last Friday, was attended by his

classmates. Yamamura noted the funeral was a way for the students to say goodbye to their friend and helped provide closure.

A staff counselor is on hand to help students work through their loss.

According to Yamamura, his volunteer efforts went above and beyond the call during a recent canned food drive.

"I want people to remember him for the person he was, not by the bad choice he made," said Yamamura.

## NEWS BRIEFS

### Need extra money?

**If the holidays left you a little short of cash, maybe Bookmart can help.** Perhaps you have books left over from another term or need books for classes this term? ASG provides this service to help students sell their used books at the price they want. Students may also purchase books from Bookmart, sometimes at a savings. Stop by CC140 or call ext. 2247 if you have any questions.

### Library extends hours

**If you are like most busy students, getting to the library during the week may be a hassle.** The good news is the library is now offering expanded hours during winter quarter on Saturdays. It will be open for your convenience from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The other hours of operation are Monday through Thursday, 7:45 a.m. to 10 p.m., and Friday, 7:45 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### Keep your receipts

**You signed up for the course, bought the books and decided this is not the place you want to be.** So what do you do with the several dollars worth of books you never even opened? Well, hopefully, you kept the receipt. In order to get a full refund from the campus bookstore, you must keep your receipts. The last day for a full refund on that winter term textbook is this Friday, Jan. 17. If you have books from previous terms, please contact them no later than Friday. The bookstore is open Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### Video viewing available in library

**Where do you go to catch the video your instructor is reviewing for class?** Video viewing is available in the library during the following hours: Monday through Thursday 7:45 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Video viewing is not available on Saturday.

### Winter social planned

**So you want to kick up your heels?** Join Joanne Baker and the Seasoned Adult Enrichment Program for their winter term social starting at 9 a.m. at the Harmony Center. A discussion on "Your Own Oregon Trail: When and Why Did We Come and Why are We Staying" is slated for 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Attendees will gather at The Old Spaghetti Factory at noon for a no-host lunch. Call ext. 3230 for more information about the social or any of the sessions offered by the program.

### Picture this

**Taking pictures of people is one thing but catching Mother Nature on film is another.** If you want to learn the secrets of capturing wildlife on film, be at the Environmental Learning Center on Sunday, Jan. 26. A certified biological photographer and Portland State University Instructor will be on hand for a workshop to teach the art of nature photography. A 35mm single-lens reflex camera with a telephoto lens (and film, of course) is recommended as participants will be photographing birds of prey in both natural and artificial settings. There is a \$50 fee for the workshop and any questions can be answered by calling ext. 2770.

### Experts clear up financial confusion

**Estate planning can confuse just about anyone with all its financial jargon.** Clackamas is offering a free seminar to help sort out the alternatives and clear up financial confusion. The seminar is scheduled from 9 to 11:30 a.m. on Jan. 28 in the Gregory Forum. Financial experts will explain various options and help the participants decide on what is appropriate for their situation. "Reviewing the Basics: The ABCs of Proper Financial Planning" is a free seminar. Breaks and refreshments will be included. Reservations are required as seating is limited. Contact the Foundation office at ext. 2402.

## EDITORIAL

## Health care going to pot

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As a reporter, I am always curious why people do the things they do or think the way they think.

This week I would like to introduce a subject that was a heated debate on Sunday night's Town Hall on KATU, Channel 2. I want to hear where our readers stand on the legalization of marijuana.

There are many sides to this issue, legal and moral alike. This makes the "right" answers all the more difficult to grasp.

How do we decide who is right or who is entitled to certain privileges in our society? Where do we draw the line on each other's "acceptable" behavior?

Currently, a petition drive to collect signatures is underway to get the issue on the next ballot. If that happens Oregonians will once again hold a smoking gun in their hands.

In order to help a few, who say they benefit from the medical use of marijuana, how many

other members in our state will actually be hurt by it?

This country has spent millions of dollars fighting a drug war. Are we giving up now? Just because our neighbors to the south approved the use of marijuana for medicinal purposes, will we follow suit?

I would like to know what you think. Please send your responses to *The Print* via e-mail or drop them off in Barlow 104. This is your chance to have your voice heard.

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