

# Desforges

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equally, if no one is saying anything to you, you could be doing a bad job. So it's just nice to have more open communication," said Desforges.

## Family adapts to living in America

When asked how his family has adapted to living in Oregon, Desforges responded with, "They really love it here."

"Jan has really enjoyed working here [at Clackamas]. She feels she's doing a valuable job and people value what she does," Desforges.

18-year old Nancy just finished high school and is taking a year off before starting her studies at a university in her homeland.

"She's been taking some classes here at Clackamas, helping out at an [elementary] school one day a week and looking after a family five days a week," said Desforges.

Youngest daughter Peggy, who is 17-years old, attends West Linn High School.

"Peggy is going to her first prom. They both were at stages where they couldn't take a year out without affecting their education," said Desforges. What they do here they cannot count toward anything in England. There's no credits or anything like that."

"But all the other aspects of life have been fantastic as well. Just to have the opportunity to go have a look 'round of places, to go and see different parts of Oregon and the Northwest. Just to take every opportunity of just getting out and about to such things as sporting events, cultural events and whatever," Desforges said.

## Working in England

In England, all administrators teach. Desforges taught 18 hours a week at Sheffield on top of his duties as foundation studies manager.

"I had no administrative support

at all. So if I wanted anything typed, photocopied or finding out any information or contacting anyone, it was all [left] to me. I did everything.

In his office in England, they have one phone for six people and no computer.

"To come here and see how well an organization can run, when people have time to do the job well and are motivated to do the job well, it's just fantastic. I really found that to be wonderful when I first arrived.

There's a certain excitement about being among new people, as well as living and working in another country, but that's not to say he's not looking forward to going home.

"There are some wonderful people who work in England. I don't sit here and think it's going to be bad going back. It's just different when people work in those constraints. I know Debbie [Baker] has had a wonderful experience in England. She speaks really highly of the system there and everything," Desforges said.

What impressed Desforges the most about Clackamas is the multi-year approach to planning taken by the administration.

"It was good to find well-motivated people who valued the organization they worked for because the organization values them," said Desforges.

## Going home

The Desforges family will bid farewell to Clackamas on August 11 and head home to England.

"The real beauty of the exchange isn't just the year we have spent here. It's a lifetime of change because what happens changes the rest of your life. I feel like I've been able to observe an organization that inspires me," said Desforges on his experience as a Fulbrighter..

# News around Clackamas

**Barbara Bragg, a secretary in the Speech and Theatre Arts department, lost her husband last week. Roy Bragg died April 11 at 5:05 a.m. of a burst aorta. He is survived by his wife Barbara, his daughter Maggie, his son Rob, his two grandchildren Patience and Mark and his two brothers Eric and Bert. Mr. Bragg taught health, Physical Education and outdoor recreation and was a football and wrestling coach at Oregon City High School from 1968 to 1989. A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. on Friday, May 16 at Willamette National Cemetery in Clackamas.**

**The college Board of Education voted to support the Oregon City School District bond measure on the May ballot. Oregon City Superintendent Barry Rotrock summarized the key areas of the \$65 million measure that would impact the college. These include expansion of cooperative professional technical programs, including the automotive classes that are now at Clackamas.**

The Board supported the potential for shared facilities and also commented on the need for Oregon City to meet the challenges of its growing population.

**Clackamas is offering Spanish Studies in Oaxaco, Mexico from June 28 to July 26. Study Spanish in small classes, learn native crafts from local artisans, visit ancient sites and ruins. College credit optional. Basic cost of \$1,939 includes air fare, ground transfers, private room accommodations with a family daily lunch and dinner, and insurance. April 28 is the deadline for applications. For more information, contact Ellen Wolfson, ext. 2550 or Carlota Holley at ext. 2381.**

**International Education Committee is looking for students, faculty or staff members who have national costumes from another country and who would be willing to wear them for an international "fashion show." This event, to be held during the first week of May, is part of the International Week Celebration May 5 through 9.**

For information and/or questions, call Judy Andersen at ext. 2297.

**Still accepting petitions for graduation in the Registrar's office, although students are not assured of being in the program. A Petition must be filed to indicate a desire to have a completed certificate or degree posted to their transcript. Each certificate or degree requires a separate petition. Information regarding graduation will be mailed spring term. Graduation ceremony will be June 13.**

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