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Clackamas earned a number one ranking in the latest NWAACC poll for the first time in school history. Read more about it on Page 8.

Classes on the Internet may be a reality at Clackamas. Read more about it on Page 5.



Sports Scores

Volleyball

Clackamas defeats SWOCC

Quick Stats:

Amy Felando 9 kills, 37 assists 15 digs
Christy Ekberg 13 kills, 13 digs

Tonight

Clackamas vs. Linn-Benton

7 pm

Quick Stats:

Clackamas 8-0, 25-5
Linn Benton 1-6

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U.S. Rep Hooley visits Clackamas

Right ► U.S. Representative Darlene Hooley at a round table discussion which Clackamas hosted last Thursday. Hooley is seen here with (from left) Becky Carnahan, Laney Fouse and Fouse's daughter, Kacey.



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United States Congresswoman Darlene Hooley visited Clackamas at an open forum Oct. 16.

While here she answered questions from the community. The topics ranged from Pell Grants, the National Science Foundation, transportation

funding and global warming.

Thirty-five people attended the forum. Clackamas students represented about 45 percent of the turnout while the other portion consisted of faculty and community members.

“It was an excellent opportunity for students to voice their concerns about issues that affect community college students with their Congress

Representative,” said Josh Bruegman, National Affairs Officer for the Associated Student Government.

Jacob Boenisch, president of ASG, asked Hooley to persuade the Senate to match the funding, which the House already provides.

Boenisch noted that people at the meeting were comfortable asking

Hooley questions.

“If they participate in the democratic system their opinions will be heard,” added Bruegman regarding student participation. “It was great that she took time out of her schedule to visit us at Clackamas.”

Hooley helped to push the legislature to increase Pell Grant funds up from a previous maximum of \$300 to the current \$3,000 maximum.

Financial aid for students has been lobbied for by various members of the ASG. For instance the Hope Scholarship is available to students enrolled at least half time with a combined family income of no more than \$100,000 or a single income of no more than \$50,000. The students receive tax credit for the first \$1,000 of tuition and further credit for half of the of the remaining tuition amount.

Students who attended the discussion had various economic and political questions for Hooley.

Boenisch recalls that Hooley was asked, “Is there is an honest politician; is there such a thing?”

“People go back with good intentions but usually get wrapped up in the act of politics,” she answered.

Hooley's appearance and the roundtable discussion at Clackamas “all boiled down to the students feeling that the amount of financial aid for students needs to increase,” said Bruegman.

Automotive opportunities abound

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There are many new opportunities for students in the automotive department, including General Motors-endorsed classes and Spanish-language classes, said Rick Pfenning, automotive body and paint instructor.

Automotive classes, which are held in the shops on the east side of Barlow Hall, have been growing in

popularity in the last couple terms.

These classes follow the I-Car program that most colleges offer, Pfenning said, adding that General Motors certification gives Clackamas' program additional importance. Graduates of the Clackamas program will be both I-Car and GM certified.

A technician must be certified by GM to do any work on a GM car, he said.

Because Pfenning is a GM Course

Qualified Body and Paint Training Instructor, students who are successful in the new auto body and painting classes will automatically be certified by GM and awarded a GM training certificate, according to R.T. Benedict of the GM Service Technology Group.

Pfenning said that Clackamas' classes can offer up to “an automatic three or four dollar an hour advantage” because of the GM program. He said that this is the only college in Oregon with this opportunity.

In automotive shop areas, students in painting and clearcoat classes are already using GM workbooks, and each chapter has a test at the end, where student practice painting and clearcoating GM parts. “And it's not easy. It's a hard test.” Pfenning said.

GM also donated a Trans Sport minivan to the program.

Other new automotive classes this year include evening classes and classes for Hispanic students in parts distribution, auto body, and painting/refinishing. Pfenning said that these classes were full, at about 15 students per class, and that even more would probably be added next term.



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Clackamas' automotive program has gained popularity in recent years because of a variety of GM certifications.

This Week

Rock The Vote

Rock The Vote, a voter education and registration program, will be happening today, Thursday and Friday this week.

Wednesday will feature Favorite Political Movies, Thursday will feature music and snacks and Friday DJ Hoop D will be at Clackamas.

Authors' Night

This term's Author Night to be held in the McLoughlin Theater at 7 p.m., will focus on the work of three women authors who were involved in sports.