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Staff Honor Day Classified Staff Honor day on Nov. 17 from 2-3 p.m. in the Gregory Forum. Contact Human Resources ext. 2318 for more information.

Community Fair in CC Mall Wednesday Oct. 14 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be music, food, shopping and free stuff. For information, contact Michelle Waggoner CC 140, ext. 2245.

Women's Book Group Resumes The Women's Book Group will be held from noon to 1 p.m. Thursdays Oct. 8, Nov. 12 and Dec. 10, in Dye 103. It is free and open to the public, though those interested should register for WKS 1-02. For registration information, call the CCC Help Center at ext. 2770.

College Hosts Halloween Run/Walk Sunday Oct. 25, CCC sponsors the Halloween 8K Road Run and Two-Mile Run/Walk. The 8K starts at 1 p.m., with the shorter Run/Walk starting immediately thereafter. Both take place on the main campus. Entry fee is \$7, or \$15 with the purchase of a commemorative t-shirt. Mail-in registrations are due by Oct. 22. Day-of-the-race registration will be from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. at Randall Hall. For more information, call the CCC Community Recreation Center at ext. 2211 or 2298.

Job Search Workshops Offered Free Tuesday Oct. 20, CCC begins a free series of Job Search Workshops with a look at careers of the future. There will be four free workshops held at the same time on Tuesdays through Nov. 10, each exploring a different facet of the job search. All are open to the public. For additional information, contact the CCC Career Resource Specialist Ethel Swanson at ext. 2396.

Oregon Pottery Association on Display Half of the collection will be on display in the Pauling Gallery until Oct. 17. The other half will be on display Oct. 19-29.

Christmas Craft Fair in CC Mall A Christmas Craft Fair will be held in the Community Center Mall on Monday, Nov 30 and Tuesday, Dec. 1. If you make hand-made items (or know someone who does) contact Michelle or Jennifer in the Student Activities office. For application, contact Michelle Waggoner CC 140, ext. 2245. Application deadline is Oct. 30.

Workshop Offers Tips On Massage for Stress Reduction The Lunch and Learn workshop will be held from noon to 1 p.m. Thursday Oct. 29 in the Community Center, Room 127 on the main campus. For more information, contact Carol Evans at ext. 2444.

Free Math Tutoring If you're having problems with your math homework, come to the math lab—there are free tutors throughout the day. Math Lab located in Streeter Hall, S197 ext. 2308.

A Doll's House Performances CCC Communications and Theater Department presents *A Doll's House* by Henrik Ibsen, directed by David Smith-English. Performances: November 19-21 at 8 p.m. December 4 and 5 at 8 p.m. December 6 at 2:30 p.m. McLoughlin Hall Theater. For more information, call ext. 2356.

Winter Term Child Care Grant Applications Now available in the student activities office, CC140. Questions? Call Cherrie at ext. 2245.

Service to Community Internship Scholarships Scholarships now available for the 1998-99 school year. For more information, call Nikki at ext. 2481 or stop by CC149.

Pick up your free Campus Trial Pak. Stop by the CCC Bookstore to pick up their free Campus Trial Pak. Students must have a current Student ID card or show their Fall Term registration form to obtain trial pak. Bookstore located in McLoughlin Hall, M100, Ext. 2248 or 2421.

October College Visits All visits are in the Community Center Mall: Oct. 14 - Western Oregon State University - 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 15 - Marylhurst University - 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oct. 23 - Biola University - 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oct. 29 University of Montana - 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

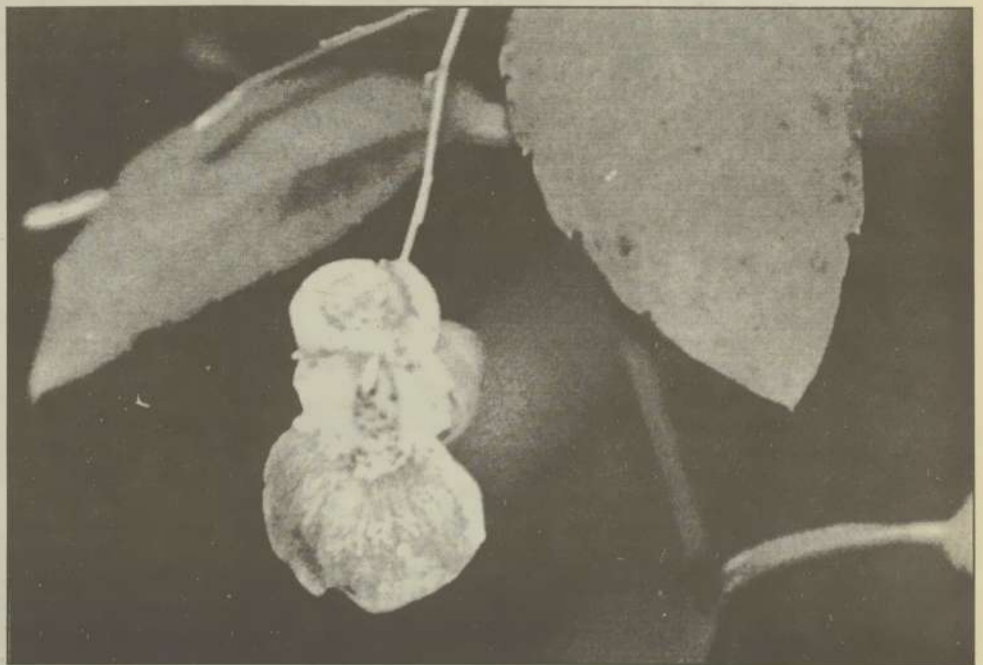
Tutors wanted Paid positions for qualified math tutors who have completed MTH 111. Calculus students preferred. Stop by Math Lab for application. Math Lab located in Streeter Hall, S197 ext. 2308.

New year for Computer Club CCC Computer Club is starting a new year with opportunities available to anyone interested in computers. If you have questions, call ext. 2931 and leave a message.

Cougar Club Flag Football Get your teams together for the Oct. 20 Flag Football games sponsored by ASG. Contact Matt Darling at ext. 2247.

Blood Drive Help others by donating blood on Nov. 2 outside the Community Center. Contact ext. 2247 for additional information.

Native Garden blooms in Autumn



AMY PARRISH / Clackamas Print

A jewelweed flower blooms as one of the colorful plants we can see in Clackamas' Native Garden

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Many of us may think of autumn as a time of slow unwinding, a time of bringing to a halt all that summer has given us, and, in reference to the natural world all around us, as a time of slow decay and finally sleep.

For the most part this is true. The wonderful spring blossoms of the Native Garden are all but memories and compost now. They have either set seed for next spring, or have crawled back into their underground root-systems to sleep off winter's long, nasty hangover. But don't let autumn fool you; there are still a few plants that decide to take advantage of the summer's long growing season, and thus they wait to flower until its end.

Wild Asters, *Aster sp.*, are a widespread group of plants, comprised of many different species, and belonging to a rather well known plant family—the Sun-

flower/Daisy family, *Asteraceae*. Just think of tiny-purple daisies while walking through the Native Garden, and you're sure to spot them within seconds. These plants grow in large clusters/groups and spread laterally through their root systems.

Our Asters are a native plant, but many gardeners and landowners consider them a pest, as they can and will quickly colonize an area. One nice thing about Asters' prolific nature is that often they will out-compete non-native weeds. They are also helpful in stabilizing the soil in disturbed areas and serve a vital ecological function that often goes unheralded. To botanists and plant lovers alike, a sure indicator that summer is drawing to a close is the late bloom of Asters in the summer and early fall.

Another late bloomer is a very unique eye-catcher growing all around the Native Garden's pond. Touch-Me-Not, or Jewelweed, *Impatiens noli-tangere*, is a water-loving annual that grows up to

about 3 feet in height and has egg-shaped leaves. The flower is yellow and tubular, about an inch long, and has multiple red spots around the flower's opening. It also hangs, or dangles, from the ends of the plant's stems.

The common name, Touch-Me-Not, comes from the plants rather bold way of dispersing its seeds. The seed-pods, upon ripening, become like traps, ready to spring at the slightest touch. When the plant's tubular seed-pods are touched, they literally explode. The outside encapsulating layer rolls into itself backwards with blinding speed, and the enclosed seeds are violently thrust out into the air. All of this happens before you really even get a chance to prepare for it. Since these plants are late bloomers, I presume that it is fall rain-drops that are intended to set these traps off, allowing for the seeds to be dispersed even further in the subsequent runoff, and find-

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CHARTWELLS

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for **25 cents**

Expires November 5, 1998

Grilled Ham & Cheese
Small Fry ♦ 20oz drink
\$2.99

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