

# ASG takes annual trip to Washington DC

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News Editor

ASG President David LeDoux and nine other ASG officials returned Tuesday, March 30 from a long weekend attending the 1999 American Student Association of Community Colleges' National Conference on Student Advocacy in Washington D.C. where they attended seminars and a meeting on Monday with Oregon's Senator Ron Wyden.

LeDoux, president of ASACC, chaired the board meeting Friday morning and helped organize the conference attended by community college representatives from 23 states.

Among the speakers instructing attendees on student activism and lobbying efforts on behalf of college students with state and federal government officials, were Amy Lundy-Crook, another former Clackamas student and who now works for the Oregon Community College Association in Salem, Frank Mensel, a policy director for ASACC; and activist Ralph Nader who spoke at a lunch on Monday

about civic responsibility, student involvement and how to become active with the government.

On Friday before the conference, LeDoux met with Amy Burgess, legislative aid to Oregon Rep. David Wu. With the rest of the group, he then met with former Clackamas student and last years PSU Student Body President, Chris Groener, who is now Oregon Rep. Darlene Hooley's legislative aid.

They were unable to meet with the representatives themselves because, "they had all gone back to Oregon because of Easter break," said Norm Berney, ASG Advisor. "We were very pleased to meet with Senator Ron Wyden; he was only there for 24 hours and took quite a bit of his time to meet with us."

Also attending from Clackamas were ASG Vice President Bryan Fuentez, Chief of Staff Lynn Brown, Childcare Officer Danielle Nati, Promotions Senator Mariah Kreinheder, Legislative Officer Paul Creighton, Student Access Officer Laurie Robinson, Campus Activities Senator James Gould, ASG Secretary Michelle Waggoner and Berney.



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First row: Danielle Nati, Lynn Brown, Laurie Robinson. Second row: Paul Creighton, David LeDoux, Jennifer Rankin, Mariah Kreinheder. Third row: James Gould, Ron Wyden, Bryan Fuentez.

Funding for the trip came from all those BBQ lunches held in the commons outside the Community Center during Fall and Winter terms and donations from Clackamas staff and students. The money paid for \$5,270 worth of

plane tickets and hotel rooms. To save on expenses, the ASG representatives boarded up to five in a room and walked to the Capitol for their meetings instead of hiring a taxi, said Berney.

The group did get in some

sightseeing and visited the Jefferson Memorial late Friday night before the conference. Fuentez said, "I really enjoyed the Memorial. I liked reading what the words were written on the wall, it had a lot of meaning for me."

# Instructor arrested for high school demonstration

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Paul Farrar, a part-time Clackamas math instructor, was taken into custody by the Canby Police Department at the request of Canby High School for trespassing on school property on April 1 and again on April 2, 1999, according to Public Information Officer Brian Howarth of the Canby Police Department.

According to witnesses, Farrar a retired Canby School teacher, was protesting the implementation of the Certificate of Initial Mastery tests, which are currently being administered to high school students.

Farrar, who was not available to speak to *The Print*, told *The Oregonian* that, "We don't need new data to tell us that we're not serving minorities. We just don't need another test."

Farrar was released early in the afternoon on April 2 with a citation, and was charged with crimi-

nal trespass. The charge is a misdemeanor with a possible \$1000 fine and a 30-day jail sentence, said Howarth.

Canby School District Community Relations Administrator John Falkenstein stated that Mr. Farrar was asked to leave the high school in numerous prior incidents.

"He [Mr. Farrar] had been coming onto campus, walking into classrooms and causing disruption. We asked him to follow district procedure and sign into the office, but he did not. Because of the disruption and the fact that he disobeyed district policy he was asked to leave, and that's when the police got involved."

According to Falkenstein, Farrar was accosting students as they got on their buses after Certificate of Initial Mastery testing, the standardized testing that Farrar claims is being forced on students and teachers. Farrar was asking them to throw off the tests

by answering 'A' on all multiple choice questions.

"This is something that the district is concerned about," said Falkenstein.

Farrar retired last June from teaching math at Ackerman Middle School in the Canby School District. Farrar currently teaches an evening mathematics class for Clackamas at the Harmony/OIT center.

According to Howarth, and as reported in *The Oregonian* on Tuesday, April 6, Farrar was taken back into custody later in the afternoon on April 2, and was transported to Portland

Adventist Medical Center for a psychiatric evaluation on a Police Hold, accordance with ORS. 426.228.

"It is the duty of a police officer to take a person into custody when we feel that he could be a danger to someone else or himself," said Howarth.

Math Department Co-Chairperson Kurt Lewandowski received a voicemail from Farrar at 9:30 a.m. on Monday.

"I do know that he's in Portland Adventist... We, as a college, have not made any decisions or taken any actions yet, partly because we have not talked to him or our Hu-

man Resources department to find out what our legal position is," said Lewandowski.

"We're not sure how long he's going to be there. We'll wait to sit down with him and Human Resources... We have an excellent substitute to take over his classes," Lewandowski added in a later interview.

Communications Specialist Dan McCue, who is a part of the Clackamas Community Relations department, added, "The college has no position on what happened. What Mr. Farrar does in Canby he does on his own... We do hope he's all right."



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Ronda McDowall, Anne Pardington, Cathy LeDoux, Jackie Hubka, Betsey Rixford, Lynne Maloney, Rene Zingarelli and Beth Millican, all staff of the family Resource Center, celebrated the Grand Re-Opening of the FRC March 31.

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