

Speech team competes in Phi Rho Pi Nationals



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A banquet was held Monday night for speech team members, advisors and judges. The banquet featured music by the Clackamas Jazz Band, and College President John Keyser spoke. Nationals are being held at the Marriot in Portland and are hosted by CCC. 473 competitors from 73 schools are participating from all over the U.S.

Phi Theta Kappa receives 3 regional awards

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Phi Theta Kappa, Clackamas' honor society, brought home several awards from the regional convention in Albany, OR, the weekend of March 24-26.

Awards were given on five levels (one-star through five-star) in the categories of leadership, fellowship, scholarship and service.

"We competed at the five-star level which we obtained, which is a fairly significant accomplishment," said Sean Mersereau, vice president of scholarship.

Clackamas received first place in leadership, second in scholarship, and second for most distinguished officer. The distinguished officer award recognized Jan Baer, who is the vice president for fellowship.

At the beginning of the year, members established a comprehensive plan that included projects and events in the four areas, leadership, fellowship, scholarship and service.

To qualify for each award, members wrote essays about the significance of each project completed. They also included how it fit into their overall plan, and what they gained from the experience.

The projects included such events as traveling to the End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center, and exploring how the pioneers' lives were changed by their journey to Oregon. This event fit the year's theme of "Past is Prologue, Into the New Millennium."

"We looked back at them (pioneers) to see how we could apply their ideals and level of determination to ourselves for pioneering the future," said

New classes send students on journeys

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Students are embarking on new journeys this spring where no Clackamas students have ventured before.

With compass and map in hand, students from Physical Science Instructor John Snively's Global Positioning System (GPS), Maps and Compass Techniques class, learn the basics of land navigation.

"The class is for anyone who wants to learn compass and GPS work," informed Snively.

The class was originally a geology lab but is now open to anyone.

Another journey students will take this term will be without the use of maps and compasses. It's an abstract journey of the mind into the field of Asian Philosophy. "Students will gain a basic un-

derstanding of history and idea of Asian Philosophy," explained Philosophy Instructor Randy Thornton. "Here is a society that has a totally different way of looking at the world."

Students can also add to their academic journey this spring two new humanities courses. A Latin American Studies class taught by English Instructor Jeff Knorr and Latino Services Director Tina Perez; and Gender & Material Culture taught by Social Science Instructor Jackie Flowers and Associate Dean of Arts/Hu-

manities/Social Science Kay Slusarenko.

For those with a green thumb who want to experience what spring has to offer them, Linda Beutler is offering a Flower Arrangers Garden class.

For more information on classes and availability contact the instructors or the Help Center.



Tips for filing your taxes

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Staff Writer

You can possibly save money on your taxes by considering these tips.

If you or your parents paid tuition in 1999, check out the Hope Scholarship and Lifetime Earnings credits. The instructions in the 1040 publication are almost non-existent; however, on-line at www.irs.gov you can find form 8863, which comes with easy-to-follow instructions. The Lifetime Earning Credit increased one adult student's refund by \$152.

The Earned Income Credit can

be beneficial to those with low incomes in 1999. Instructions for this credit can be found on page 38 in the 1040 instruction pamphlet.

If you have already filed and discover you are eligible for these credits, it might be worth your time to file an amended return. You can find information at the above web site; or phone 1-800-TAX-FORM, or go to the local library. Even if the forms and instructions you need aren't available on the shelf, some local libraries and IRS offices have huge books that contain all forms and instructions for you to photocopy.

Scholarships awarded for speech

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Eight students enrolled in Speech 111 competed for scholarships during the Clackamas College and Allen & Bacon Speech Scholarships Contest March 9, 2000.

The guideline the students followed was delivering an informative speech between six and eight minutes long. The speech needed to include visual aids for each point and be reinforced with source citation.

Students from Clackamas' Speech and Debate Team were the judges.

They evaluated delivery style, introduction, conclusion, how well rehearsed the speech appeared, and the main points of information. The speeches were evaluated in the same style as in school competitions between forensics competitors.

The students with the top scores were: Pearl Froses, who placed first and was one point away from a perfect score by all three judges; Krista Everson who placed second; and Laurie Sullivan, third. All three competitors will receive speech scholarships.

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Students helping the community



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David Martinez gives blood to help out the community. The blood drive was Monday in the Gregory Forum.