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Cougars dominate NWAACC

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The cross country team (above) celebrates after winning the NWAACC Championship Saturday, in Spokane WA. Front row: Allen Harrison, Tiffany Winsor, Matt Solosabal, Mandy Bates, Sarah Block, Jennie Hardie, Stacy Hopkins, Kyle Holland, Sherry Brenton and Jack Kegg. Back row: Brad Brolin, Mike Schwoebel, Ryan Mastropietro, Trevor Dodge, Johah Normand, Alyssa Anderson, CJ Savage, Stephanie Costanzo, and Mike Hickey.

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key was named NWAACC
Country Coach' of the year
e Men and Women's teams.
e men blew away Spokane by
opping 16 points to repeat last
s championship win. All six

runners were in the top 12 spots
finishing within 39 seconds be-
tween the Cougars first through
sixth spot making this the stron-
gest race of the year for Clackamas.
Freshman Allan Harrison had his
best race of the year, finishing just
seconds behind teammate Dodge
to win third place.

"We helped each other a lot,"
informed Dodge. "We both fought

each other off in the last two miles
and we just worked off each other."
The women, led by Sophomores
Sarah Block and Jennie Hardie in
the six and seven spot respectively,
won a tough tiebreaker against
Spokane to win their champion-
ship. All seven runners for the
women were in the top half of fin-
ishers with two in the top 10.

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Trevor Dodge ran his way to victory for the Men's individual title.

Keyser announces retirement

STEVE NIELSEN
News Editor

Clackamas Community College President John Keyser announced his retirement in a letter to staff, friends and community members Nov. 10, after serving the college as president since 1985.

Keyser announced his retirement effective July 1, 2001. Keyser believes the college will benefit from a change in leadership.

"With the passage of the bond measure, I believe this is a good time for the college to search for a new CEO," said Keyser.



President John Keyser

For the remaining seven months of his time at Clackamas Keyser intends to plan for the upcoming construction, complete a major fund-raising endowment campaign and secure legislative support for operating funds.

In his letter, Keyser addressed his years at Clackamas.

"This has been a joyful and energizing experience for me," he said. "I have been surrounded by individuals who have exciting ideas, compassion and enthusiasm for our very important mission."

His retirement ends 26 years of service to community colleges. Before Clackamas, Keyser was the vice president of instruction and student services at Linn-Benton Community College and Dean of Student Services at both Mt. Hood Community College and Western Wyoming Community College. He was the president of The American Association of Community Colleges in 1990-91, and has played a key role in the Oregon Community College Association.

The CCC Board of Education has entered into an agreement with the Oregon School Boards Association to conduct a presidential search. Bob Burns, former deputy superintendent of Public Instruction and Oregon City resident will be the lead consultant in the search process. A process of selection and timeline are now being established.

After his retirement Keyser plans to focus more on his family, write a biography about his mother, and do some traveling.

Clackamas celebrates passing of bond measure

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The mood was charged last Wednesday as administration and faculty met in the Gregory Forum to celebrate Tuesday's approval of the Clackamas Community College bond measure, with 54% of the vote.

College President John Keyser shared stories with the group and congratulated several staff members for their efforts in this year's campaign to pass the bond. Keyser gave much of the credit to Assistant to President David Dickson. "He really put everything into this campaign as our team leader," said Keyser. "He wouldn't take no on this issue, he took on one of the toughest challenges, dropped everything else he was doing, and put a full bore on this."

Dickson then spoke, and recognized all those who had worked to make the bond's passage a reality. There are so many people that helped make this thing happen, and they deserve so much credit," said Keyser. In particular, he thanked the Friends of Clackamas Community College; The Oregon Education Association, the campaign coordinators; the Associated Student Government, and numerous Clackamas

staff members.

"I've got to say it's really congratulations to all of us, because it's what all of us [did] here that everyone voted for," Dickson remarked.

Dickson headed a team that began planning the bond campaign in 1998. They divided into several smaller teams to brainstorm all issues pertaining to an overall vision for the future, to include overcrowding and future growth for both programs and facilities.

"We knew that in Clackamas County we had to sharpen our pencils very sharp before we were going to be able to convince the voters in this community that they needed to pass a bond," said Dickson. "We feel like we've had a tradition of being fiscally responsible, and when we go to the taxpayers we want to give them something they'll see as a good bargain for the cost."

In addition to funding college programs and projects, the \$47 million bond will pay for significant additions and upgrades to Clackamas' physical facilities. About \$30 mil-

lion will go to add and renovate about 345,000 square feet of space, including a new 84,530 square foot classroom building, a new second floor and south wing on the Community Center and a new building that will connect Dye and Streeter.

The school plans to sell the bonds as quickly as possible to get the best interest rate, and to move forward aggressively with construction plans.

The brown bag luncheon last Wednesday celebrated the bond's passage as the next step in Clackamas' efforts to better provide the residents of Clackamas County with quality education.

"Indeed, it's so exciting because this campus will be transformed and we'll be able to serve so much better the many hundreds of thousands of students who will come our way," stated Keyser.



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David Dickson, assistant to president, left, is congratulated by College President John Keyser for his efforts in helping to pass the bond.