

CCC Fall term 2002 Retirees

Four Clackamas staff members look back with fond memories on careers at the college.



Cathy LeDoux
Extended Learning Services
Division Secretary

Cathy LeDoux has been an employee of Clackamas Community College for a little over 11 years. She has served as the division secretary to the Math, Science, and Allied Health Division from 1991 to 1994, and the Extended Learning Services Division from 1994 to 2002.

"My time here at Clackamas... has been rewarding and fulfilling. I feel I have made lifelong friends, especially with my beloved division secretaries," said LeDoux. "Working with Rene' Zingarelli and the staff of Extended Learning is an experience I will treasure forever. I will miss them all."

LeDoux looks forward to "painting, cooking, and traveling the world with my best friend, my husband B.J." She also plans to attend classes at CCC from time to time, "just for the fun of it."



Gretchen Miles
Business Office
Manager

Gretchen Miles has worked at Clackamas for 13 years as the Business Office Manager. This means she supervised the grant accounting, payroll, accounts payable, foundation accounting and general ledger functions of the college. She was also part of the team that implemented the Datatel database system.

"My favorite memory is those times once a year when Roxie, George and I would come in at 5 a.m. to run the processes in Datatel that close our financial books for the previous fiscal year... ha ha," said Miles. "I will really miss seeing the good friends I have made here at CCC on a daily basis."

Michael Watkins has worked at Clackamas for 29 years. He had officially retired on Sept. 1, 2002. Watkins was the department chair for the Skills Development department for seven years and worked in that department for a total of 19 years. Prior to that he worked as an instructor in the Developmental Disabilities department for 10 years. He participated in the development of the Vocational Options program, training at-risk high school students in job search and retention skills offered through the Skills Development department.

"This was perhaps my most enjoyable assignment," said Watkins. "My favorite memories are of student and staff retreats to the coast where we worked on program assignments, planning, curriculum, etc. And I had the opportunity to build professional and personal relationships."

Watkins will continue to work part-time as an instructor, "so I hope I'm not going to miss much due to retirement," he said.



Michael Watkins
Skills Development
Department Chair

Eileen Turner has been at Clackamas for 11 years. Her job duties included teaching theory (medical-surgical nursing), teaching campus skills lab, and clinical instruction in the hospital setting each term. She also managed the skills lab for about six years, scheduling and hiring student help, ordering all supplies, and maintaining orders.

Some of her favorite memories: "Fun times we had as a faculty surprising our students with crazy skits, plays, etc, when they thought they were coming to a very serious class or mandatory meeting. It has been a fabulous faculty to work with," said Turner.

Turner will be doing a double clinical group for winter term at Providence Milwaukie Hospital. She also can't wait to have more time for her granddaughter, Avery and grandson, Adam.



Eileen Turner
Health Sciences
Instructor



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