

Rook Hall almost finished

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Construction of the Clackamas campus is proceeding ahead of schedule and on budget for the new Roger Rook Hall (formerly the Gateway building), the Streeter Annex, the Pauling Annex and the Communication Arts building.

"Construction is going great. We have taken advantage of the long, dry summer to get us near completion on Rook Hall, the Streeter Annex and the Pauling Annex," said Al Erdman, dean of college services. "We were scheduled to have those buildings done around Christmas, but we will be applying for our occupancy permits with the city of Oregon City around the first week of November."

According to Erdman, new furniture for the buildings is scheduled for move-in during the third week of November. Preparations have begun for the English department, student publications and student services, including cashiers, financial aid and registration, to move into Rook Hall around the third or fourth week of November.

"Student services will move in first, to take advantage of the lull in their workload during that time of the term," said Erdman. "We also hope to move some of the excess books, papers and other stuff from the English department. Faculty will not be moving into their new offices until the end of fall term."

Plans are in the initial stages regarding the utilization of the space



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Construction of Roger Rook Hall (formerly the Gateway building) is nearing completion and will be ready for occupancy Winter term. Rook Hall will house the English department upstairs and most of student services downstairs, as well as The Print's office.

in Streeter Hall and the Community Center being vacated by the English department and student services, respectively. The intent of the college administration is to take advantage of the remaining remodeling money from the construction bond to maximize the uses of the old space.

"We hope to return a lot of the space in the Community Center to the students; I think that has been the goal of everyone in this whole process," Erdman said. "We may have a lot of needs and wants for the [remodeling] money, but we can't have everything that we need or want."

The new spaces in Rook Hall were constructed with comfort and

usability in mind. Each new classroom was designed to seat up to 48 students comfortably.

Students paying the technology fees on campus will see the benefits of such a cost all over Clackamas with the arrival 735 new computers for installation in all campus buildings.

The new Communication Arts building broke ground on July 28 and is on schedule for an Oct. 15, 2004, completion. The basic infrastructure for the site is being constructed at this time and the first floor concrete slab is scheduled to be poured this week, weather permitting. The steel for the building is slated to arrive early next week and assembly will

start shortly thereafter.

"We are excited about this building; we have worked really hard in the planning stages with all of the affected departments [music, theatre arts, speech] to produce a top-notch facility," said Erdman.

"We are pleased to see the progress that we have made with these new facilities coming on line and the faculty and staff has been extremely positive and enthused about the whole process," said Erdman. "We have taken input from everyone about a wide variety of issues concerning this construction and a lot of that input has borne fruit. Sometimes it has been hard, but everything is coming together nicely."

German exchange students visit Clackamas

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Last Sunday the college opened its doors to sixteen foreign exchange students from Stadthagen in western Germany.

According to Dick Stones, instructor of German and English, this program has been in existence for nine years.

"We receive students and instructors from two German trade schools, one in Hannover and the other in Stadthagen, and during the summer, students from Clackamas travel to Germany and stay," said Stones.

"[The German students] come to the states for three weeks. All of their needs such as housing and food are provided for. We arrange for them to be take tours of the campus and the surrounding area. They follow a travel plan that allows them to see the beauty of our state," said Stones.

Among the outings planned are a tour of Portland, a trip out to the Oregon coast, and a whitewater-rafting trip down the Deschutes River.

"There are also several other



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Clackamas President Joe Johnson (left) meets with a group of exchange students from Stadthagen, Germany. The 16 students will be in the United States for three weeks.

activities that will make their stay enjoyable," said Stone.

On Tuesday the exchange students had a special meeting with President Joe Johnson to welcome them to the college.

"I support these foreign exchange programs. I am always amazed to see how many of these foreign students speak English and how few of our own students speak a foreign language. We need more of our students to learn foreign languages and travel to different countries."

Johnson himself has traveled across the Atlantic and enjoys relating his own experiences in Europe.

"I love Germany and Austria," Johnson said.

At Tuesday's meeting, Sandra Kuhnast, a German English instructor and member of the exchange group, presented a speech of thanks to President Johnson, the college faculty, and to all those responsible for this program.

"Our students have a great opportunity," said Kuhnast. She also pre-

sented Johnson with a gift. He in turn gave gifts to all of the exchange students.

Stones sees great potential in this exchange program and has high hopes to extend the program and allow Clackamas students to spend an entire month in Germany.

"This program is cultural as well as educational. It provides a learning experience as well as a lot of fun," said Stones.

The German exchange students' trip ends on Nov. 7 in San Francisco.

Free advice helps students dispel academic confusion

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Each September an abundance of new students enroll in college without seeking available guidance as to their specific scholastic goals.

Some students take courses that are unnecessary to their desired degree, while others aren't taking courses required for their degree, both resulting in an extended stay in community college and senseless expenditures on tuition.

The number of students seeking necessary advice to help expedite their college education is on the rise. "Students are getting more savvy and more sophisticated," said Ann

Goldade, student advisor.

According to Goldade, there are several academic options to explore. Students unsure of what career path to take might start by enrolling in one or two electives, accompanied with some standard required classes, such as speech or English composition. Career planning and college success classes may also be beneficial.

Many students desire a two-year degree, but aren't sure whether they plan to attend a four-year college. The Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer degree (AAOT) will satisfy this scenario, while enabling students to transfer all credits to a four-year college and earn junior status,

if they decide to continue their education at a later date.

Students who are definitely plan-

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to transfer to a four-year college to earn a Bachelor of Arts degree (BA) or Bachelor of Science

degree (BS) may decide to forgo the AAOT degree. Although the obligatory 90 credits needed to transfer remain the same, the required classes may not be as extensive as the AAOT requirements.

For instance, students majoring in English and trying to earn a BA might need two years of foreign language, but less math and science courses. Whereas, students striving to earn a BS might require more math and science courses, but may not need foreign language.

Without the AAOT degree, however, it is important to know that all credits may not automatically transfer into junior status. Goldade recommends meeting with an advisor

from the intended four-year college to assess individual needs.

Those planning to attend Portland State University can meet with advisors in the Community Center Oct. 29 and Nov. 6 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. by appointment only. Students are encouraged to sign up immediately, as availability is limited. Returning students should come prepared with an unofficial transcript so advisors can evaluate their progress.

So whether students are planning to transfer to a four-year university, or are undecided as to their career path, making time to meet with an advisor can ultimately save time, tuition and sometimes even sanity.

Public Safety
Logs



All reports are taken from CCC's public safety incident logs. Summaries are edited for clarity, not content.

10-14-03

4:52 p.m.

Received call from instructor about a white male adult that was yelling and pounding on the table by vending machines on second floor of Barlow. Told instructor that officer was enroute.

10-14-03

5:20 p.m.

Followed up on above mentioned white male adult. Talked with several witnesses who saw incident. Talked with instructor who initially called Public Safety. Instructor also thought that subject had been drinking.

10-17-03

9:39 a.m.

Received call from employee from Cashiers. She wanted to report to Public Safety that on 10-16-03 a white male adult approached her and asked about the ESL program at the prison, and asked her if she knew a certain student. She said she did not know about the ESL program or the student that he was asking about. When she got home that evening, she read in the paper about a white male adult that was involved in a car chase with Oregon City police and was still wanted. She believed it was the same individual. She called Oregon City police that evening, but wanted to let Public Safety know about the incident.

10-17-03

9:42 a.m.

Received call for a motorist assist for a blue Buick Skylark. Told them I had attempted to get into the same vehicle the day before and was unsuccessful then. Told them to call a locksmith.

10-18-03

2:00 p.m.

Met with instructor, showed him how to use his key properly.

10-19-03

1:05 p.m.

Talked with special agent from United States Secret Service about previous student. No record of contact. Directed agent to Clackamas County Sheriff's Office for further information.