

# Free classes enable the disabled

Davis heads new programs that will help disabled students achieve success

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Angelina Davis has been in charge of counseling and tutoring for disabled students at Clackamas for two years and she wouldn't have it any other way.

"You can call me crazy," she said, "But I love to do it."

According to the Disabled Student Services Department, there are about 400 disabled students on campus, and as many as 100 more who meet the criteria, but don't enroll in the program.

As part of the service for disabled students, CCC now offers free one-credit classes such as College Survival for the disabled on Mondays from 10-10:50 a.m., and College Survival/LD&ADHD on Wednesdays from 11-11:50 a.m. These classes will be offered again winter term.

"I like to help disabled students to feel comfortable in their other classes by teaching them college success skills," said Davis. "These classes are designed to help students follow their other classes."

There is always group work, students working with other students, drawing, discussing and smiling.

"If you like to keep solitary, you cannot enjoy this class, but if you like working with somebody, you can enjoy it," said James Younglove, one of the class's students.

Approximately 15 students participate in each of the classes, most of whom are freshman.



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Head of Disabled Student Services Angelina Davis works with students Jeremy Ingals (left) and Caleb Butler during College Survival/LD&ADHD class on Wednesdays.

"I'm excited to come meet with a variety of people at this college and that's one of the differences between high school and college," said student Alex Karp. "This class [is] variable and thoughtful."

Students in these specialty classes can review and learn skills such as note-taking, speech writing and the way to listen to a lecture effectively.

Davis earned her Bachelor's degree of Psychology and Master's

degree of Counseling from Portland State University. Her volunteering experiences for disabled children influenced her decision to work with disabled people, which brought her much satisfaction.

After graduation, Davis worked for Portland Community College as a disabled student counselor for one year before moving to Clackamas in 2001.

In addition to her college survival classes, she is busy counsel-

ing, tutoring and teaching a writing class. Davis is also building up a "web community" for disabled students in cooperation with other instructors. This project is giving disabled students easier access to college classes from home or other places over the Internet.

For more information on the college success classes or any other program offered for disabled students, contact Angelina Davis at ext. 2324.

# Conductor seeks new members for Concert Band

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The Clackamas Concert Band's musical season is well under way as members practice for the fall term concert, which will be held Thursday, Dec. 4.

"We have about 30 members right now and these kids have been working extremely hard to get playing down," said band instructor Dave Mills. "The number of members always fluctuates a little each term, but we really have a good group at the present."

Mills inherited a small program when he came to Clackamas three years ago. The band consisted of just three members, so getting the word out took a little time and effort.

"We really did start from scratch three years ago, but we have built up a really solid program," said Mills. "I had no idea what to expect, but through mostly word-of-mouth, we have created an exciting program. Talking it up really helps it grow."

Mills goes out to the different high schools in the area to recruit members through rehearsing the individual bands at each school. He is an accom-

plished composer and arranger with several published musical pieces to his credit and has written many commissioned works of music.

Some of the stronger band members will get the opportunity to perform with the national honor band in Reno during spring break. Mills will select those members to participate with college musicians from all over the United States.

"Two years ago, I went to the honor band performances in Reno and was really impressed with the quality of the music," said Mills. "It presents a real good opportunity for those selected to play and talk shop with other schools' musicians."

The concert band performs three shows a year on campus, one each term. The band is always seeking members to play and has an open-door policy to anyone who wants to join. There are no auditions necessary; any student who wants to play, is invited to join the band.

"If any student has played an instrument before, whether at home or in school, then they are most certainly welcome to join our little group," said Mills. "Our kids really work hard and



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CCC Concert Band Director Dave Mills conducts his students in preparation for their Dec. 4 performance.

they have a lot of fun playing."

Mills has also had a little input as far as the construction of the new Communication Arts building is concerned.

"It truly is going to be a great facility, really top-notch," said Mills. "I

really am a lucky man to have come to Clackamas just at a time when the music department is going to move into a great space. It will be nice to move out of the attic (the top floor Randall Hall), but this also has been a good home for us."

# Bush to sign controversial act against late-term abortion

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President Bush is slated to sign into law the first-ever federal abortion ban today.

Pro-abortion activists are in an uproar over the recent ruling and passing, in both the House and the Senate, of the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act of 2003.

The act passed in the Senate on Oct. 21, with 64 in favor to 33 opposed. Those opposed to the act claim that late-term abortion is protected under the Roe vs. Wade ruling of 1973. The bill first passed in the House of Representatives with 281 in favor and 142 opposed three weeks earlier.

This act will outlaw any physician from performing a so-called "partial-birth abortion." However,

the act does stipulate that partial-birth abortions will be allowed if withholding the procedure would end the woman's life.

The penalties under the act subject any physician who performs late-term abortions to "a fine, or no more than 2 years in prison or both."

The National Right To Life Foundation website states that the "partial-birth abortion" is defined as "an abortion in the second or third trimester of pregnancy in which the death of the fetus is induced after it has passed partway through the birth canal."

The website also states that the proper "medical" terms for the

method are "dilation and extraction," "intact dilation and evacuation" or "intact dilation and extraction."

"First of all, there is no known medical procedure called 'partial-birth abortion,'" said Nancy Northup, President of the Center For Reproductive Rights.

"That term is one made up by anti-choice legislators with the help of the National Right to Life Committee, in order to gain public support for abortion bans that threaten the right of women to access safe medical procedures," Northup continued.

The Center For Reproductive Rights is in an uproar over the act and in a recent web Q&A session Northup stated, "This law is uncon-

stitutional under the U.S. Supreme Court."

Northup's claim comes from the Stenberg vs. Carhart ruling of 2000; which stopped a similar law from being passed in Nebraska.

Planned Parenthood Federation of America, Inc., filed a lawsuit in San Francisco on Friday against what they deem to be an unconstitutional and reckless ban of late-term abortions, according to a recent press release.

In contrast, the National Right To Life Foundation website states that "the difference between partial-birth abortion and homicide is a mere three inches."

"This is indeed a historic day," said California Senator Barbara Boxer, lead opponent of the legislation, "because for the first time in history Congress is banning a medical procedure that is considered medically necessary by physicians."

The day the act was passed in

the senate, President Bush stated, "I applaud the Senate for joining the House in passing the ban on partial-birth abortion. This is very important legislation that will end an abhorrent practice and continue to build a culture of life in America. I look forward to signing it into law."

Although the bill is to be signed into law this morning, those said to oppose it are ready for action.

"We have asked for this hearing before the President signs the bill because we have a very small window of opportunity to prevent the law from taking effect. We want the judge to be in a position to rule as soon as the bill becomes law," said Priscilla Smith, director of the domestic litigation program for the Center for Reproductive Rights and lead counsel on the case.

(For opinions on the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act, please see Commentary on page 3)

## Car theft at Harmony

An Acura was stolen from the OIT parking lot near the Harmony Center on Thursday, Oct. 30. According to CCC Public Safety, the car was stolen sometime between 6 and 8 p.m. Public Safety and Clackamas County Sheriff's Office are investigating the incident.

"It just goes to show that our campuses are not immune to the troubles of the world, that crimes happen to us as well as the rest of the area," said Public Safety Officer Peter Kandratieff. "People need to pay attention to their surroundings wherever they go, whether to school or elsewhere."

Later that same evening, a car was broken into at the OIT campus and undertimed items were taken. Kandratieff was unsure if the break-in and the car theft were related.

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Public Safety Logs



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

10-27-03 9 p.m.

Checked behind Harmony modular, saw electricity being used by vagrant. Looked like he tried to get into window of modular classroom.

10-28-03 11:50 a.m.

Student reported that three white male adults were harassing students in the area of tennis courts.

10-30-03 11:12 a.m.

Staff reported student with seizures, advised to call 911 for assistance.

10-30-03 7:10 p.m.

Stolen vehicle. Driver did not know license plate, would call back when he found out.

10-30-03 8:33 p.m.

Received call from owner of above-mentioned stolen car. He gave me the license plate number.

10-30-03 9:15 p.m.

Received call from mother of a student whose car was broken into at the OIT campus. Asked her to have her son call Public Safety.