



Rook Hall will open for winter term



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Clackamas students Samantha Rodriguez (left) and Mindy Birch pass by Rook Hall on their way to class.

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Moving day is here for Student Services and the English department as Roger Rook Hall gets ready to open for business on Dec. 15.

Rook Hall, named for longtime Clackamas Board of Education member Roger Rook, is the latest in the series of new buildings being erected on the Oregon City campus. This building was paid for by the construction bond passed by the district's voters back in 2000.

"We are very excited about this new space," said Glenda Tepper, associate dean of student enrollment services. "We will be able to significantly upgrade our services to students in the new building."

Although staff members are presently moving into Rook Hall, Student Services will remain in the Bill Brod Community Center through the end of fall term.

"We officially will not open for business until Dec. 15 in Rook Hall," said Tepper. "We will continue to provide frontline services for enrollment and financial aid through fall term finals."

One of the most significant changes that Student Services will be able to provide is a one-stop enrollment process in the new building. Students will be able to enroll, add/drop classes, have their questions answered and pay for classes without having to go from one line to another in the process.

"We have spent a lot of time designing this new process for enrollment and

we are very excited about the possibilities," said Tepper. "This new building and new spaces provide us a chance to fulfill those possibilities."

Students will have access in Rook Hall to about twice as many computers as they currently have in Student Services to be able to access the CougarTrax enrollment system, making the process of signing up for classes a whole lot easier.

Student testing has also begun the move into Rook Hall, ending a nomadic journey for that essential element of the enrollment process.

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Student Services

Testing has occupied many locations on campus, moving each time to help accommodate construction of new buildings.

Although student enrollment services will be moving, counseling and advising will not be moving to Rook Hall. The change, however, will allow the counseling office to have access to more space in the Community Center.

The English department will be taking over the second floor of Rook Hall,

with the addition of new offices and six new classrooms that will be shared with other academic departments. English instructors will begin moving into their offices after fall term finals.

"We are very excited about the move to Rook. It presents itself with a great opportunity for English majors to have one central spot to concentrate on their studies," said English Department Chair Emily Orlando. "We are also opening a literary arts center in RR 220. It will be a space where students, staff and the community can come to exchange ideas. It will be a resource room as well. It helps to give the English department a sense of identity, one that we really haven't had before."

The English department will begin moving into Rook Hall on Dec. 1, but instructors will be in their present locations through fall term finals, before moving to Rook Hall.

The offices of the student newspaper, *The Clackamas Print*, will move from their temporary space in Modular B behind Randall Hall into their new first-floor space in Rook Hall.

"We are very happy about the prospect of moving into a professional-looking space and in a central location (on the campus)," said Journalism Advisor Linda Vogt. "It is really a huge boost to the journalism program and it's great to feel the support from the college about this."

An open house and dedication of Roger Rook Hall is scheduled to take place on Dec. 10 from 2 to 5 p.m. Students, staff and the general public are invited to this free event and tour of Rook Hall.

'Beagle 2' to probe Martian planet

Mission Objectives:

- Search for subsurface water.
- Global high-resolution photogeology and mineralogical mapping
- Analysis of atmospheric composition and circulation.
- Deployment of geochemistry and exobiology lander, 'Beagle 2,' onto the surface.
- Sharp-eyed 3D photography to discover more about the surface and geology of Mars.
- Looking at the 'invisible' beneath the surface by using radar beams to penetrate below ground.
- Study of the interaction of the atmosphere with outer space.

Expected Timeline

- Dec. 19, 2003 06:51 GMT
Decision to release 'Beagle 2'
- Dec. 19, 2003 10:14 GMT
First results of release available
- Dec. 20, 2003 All day
Retargeting of Mars Express on an orbital insertion course
- Dec. 23, 2003 T.B.D.
Update on 'Mars Express' orbital insertion sequence
- Dec. 24, 2003 Night
Final decision to steer 'Mars Express' into a Martian orbit
- Dec. 25, 2003 02:54 GMT
'Beagle 2' lands on Mars

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In addition to holiday presents, festive food and good cheer, students have something else to look forward to this Christmas day—Europe's 'Beagle 2' landing on Mars in hopes of revealing once and for all, if Martians really "do exist."

On June 2, 2003, the 'Beagle 2' headed on a six-month mission to Mars via the ESA 'Mars Express' spacecraft, which houses the propulsion system.

"I thought it was interesting that the British nicknamed this Martian lander the 'Beagle 2' and it only makes sense historically if you have some sort of knowledge of what 'Beagle 1' was," said Bob Misley, life sciences instructor at CCC.

Misley will conduct a slide presentation on Tuesday, Dec. 2 on the voyage of the 'Beagle 1,' which will also include information about the scientific experiments 'Beagle 2' plans to administer on Mars. The

presentation will take place from noon to 1 p.m. in Pauling 101.

"The reason I'm giving this talk now is because the 'Beagle 2,' this voyage of discovery, is scheduled to land this Christmas," said Misley. "I wanted to give everybody a heads up on it."

According to David Southwood, director of science for the European Space Agency (ESA), "Europe is on its way to Mars to stake its claim in the most detailed and complete exploration ever done of the 'Red Planet.'"

'Beagle 2's' predecessor and namesake, a British ship called 'The Beagle,' embarked on a five-year voyage of discovery, mapping and surveying the globe in the early 1800s.

"The 'Beagle 1' has gone into the history books as kind of an odd curiosity piece, because of a young 21-year-old naturalist who was on board: Charles Darwin," said Misley.

"If Darwin hadn't been on ... Please see **BEAGLE**, Page 2



INTERNET PHOTO

Artist rendition of what the 'Beagle 2' will look like on Mars.

Sudden snowstorm sends surprised students sliding



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The few students who could make it to college on Nov. 19 were surprised by the unexpected snow storm.